

The Church in the Westlands

**St Andrew's  
Anglican Church**



**St Peter's  
Methodist Church**

*As the Church in the Westlands*

*we are committed in the power of the Holy Spirit that our worship, service and witness will demonstrate to everyone the love of Jesus Christ*

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*A very warm welcome to anyone worshipping with us today for the first time.*

**St Andrew's Church**

**Sunday, 18<sup>th</sup> November**  
*2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Before Advent*

**St Peter's Church**

Holy Communion  
*Revd Andrew Dawswell*

8.00 am

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*Mark 5:21-43 (p1013)*  
*Colossians 2:6-15 (p1184)*

10.30 am

Morning Worship  
*Mrs Brenda Dyble*  
*1 Samuel 2:1-10 (p272)*  
*Hebrews 10:19-25 (p1210)*

United Evening Prayer  
*Mr Paul Topping*

6.30 pm

**Collect**

*Heavenly Father,  
whose blessed Son was revealed  
to destroy the works of the devil  
and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life:  
grant that we, having this hope,  
may purify ourselves even as he is pure;  
that when he shall appear in power and great glory  
we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom;  
where he is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.*

Morning prayer will take place at 9.00 am on Tuesday in St Andrew's.  
All are welcome.

	<b>Tuesday, 20<sup>th</sup> November</b>	
Little Sparklers	10.00 am – 11.30 am	Parish Room
TMNC	7.30 pm – 9.00 pm	Parish Room
	<b>Wednesday, 21<sup>st</sup> November</b>	
The Bible Course	7.45 pm for 8.00 pm	Parish Room
	<b>Saturday, 24<sup>th</sup> November</b>	
Messy Church	4.00 pm – 5.30 pm	St Andrew's Church Hall
<b>St Andrew's Church</b>	<b>Sunday, 25<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>St Peter's Church</b>
	<i>Christ the King</i>	
Holy Communion	8.00 am	
<i>Revd Andrew Dawswell</i>		
Morning Prayer & Baptism	10.30 am	Morning Worship
<i>Revd James Forrester</i>		<i>Mr Peter Mitchell</i>
United Evening Prayer	6.30 pm	
<i>Mrs Irene Hardacre</i>		

**Bible Reading Notes 2019** ... there are samples of some of the daily bible reading notes available on display at the back of St. Andrew's for anyone who might like to consider using this method of prompting daily bible reading. Please ask Helen Swanborough if you would like her to order notes for 2019 through the Methodist Book Centre. Would those who already subscribe please confirm whether they would like to continue with the same notes or make a change in the new year.

**Christingle Service (Sunday, 2<sup>nd</sup> December at 4.30 pm)** ... all welcome. We need helpers in a number of areas...

To make the Christingles - Friday, 30<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30 pm in St Andrew's Parish Room.

There is also a warm invitation for singers to join the music group. The practice for this will be at 3.30 pm on the day of the service.

We also need volunteers to organise refreshments, and a couple of extra people to be fire wardens - please see Andrew if you are able to help.

**St Andrew's Church Building** ... current opening schedule is Monday - Thursday during term-time 9.00 am - around 3.30 pm (if anyone wants to volunteer to facilitate Friday opening by closing up that day, please let me know - Andrew).

**St Andrew's Flower Rota** ... the flower rota for 2019 is being prepared. There are some Sundays available for those who would like to contribute to the cost of the flowers in memory of a person or occasion. Also, we are in urgent need of further help in the flower team. Experience is not essential (but a welcome bonus) and a very warm welcome is assured. For further information please contact Diana.

**Needed** ... if anyone has any small, clean, glass jars for Messy Church to decorate as candle holders on Saturday, 24<sup>th</sup> November, please leave them at the back of St Andrew's Church or give them to Naomi soon. Thank you.

**St Peter's Church Council** ... the minutes of the Church Council Meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> October will be available from the Church Office from Sunday, 18<sup>th</sup> November.

**Morning Prayer** ... we are experimenting with offering a weekly slot for morning prayer in church at the slightly later time of 9.00 am, for about 20-25 minutes, and now taking place on Tuesdays. All welcome.

**Homegroups Continue** ... on 27<sup>th</sup>/28<sup>th</sup>/29<sup>th</sup> November, 8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>/23<sup>rd</sup>/24<sup>th</sup> January; and 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>/7<sup>th</sup> February with the course entitled 'Life to the Full' focussing on the life and teaching of Jesus from the first half of John's gospel.

**Christmas Lunch** ... which replaces the afternoon tea for December. You are invited to a four course Christmas Lunch on Tuesday, 11<sup>th</sup> December, in St Andrew's Church Hall at 12.30 pm. The cost will be £8.50. If you would like to come please contact Jenny for more details.

**Circuit Prayer & Praise** ... the next meeting will be held on Tuesday, 20<sup>th</sup> November at Silverdale Methodist Church commencing at 7.30 pm. A warm welcome to all to join in this time of praise, worship and prayer. Tea/coffee and biscuits from 7.00 pm.

**The New Methodist Church Plant** ... services will take place on Sunday, 9<sup>th</sup> December and Sunday, 23<sup>rd</sup> December at 4.00 pm at Newcastle Methodist Church. All are very welcome to attend.

**Deanery Prayer Meeting** ... on Sunday, 25<sup>th</sup> November at 6.30 pm, in addition to Westlands regular evening service there is also a deanery prayer meeting at St Andrew's Porthill.

**Christians Against Poverty Debt Service** ... in Newcastle and Stoke is now getting into gear, and we are grateful for 2 or 3 church members who have volunteered so far to support this. We still need people to join teams to help in two ways - please speak to Andrew if you would be interested in knowing more about these roles.

- To accompany the Newcastle & Stoke centre manager, Rob Kellett, on home visits, and then to maintain some ongoing contact with those who are interested in further personal support, and as a possible link with the church for those who might consider exploring the Christian faith
- Prayer team

**Christians in Politics are Putting on an Evening** ... to inspire and equip Christians from across denominations and the political spectrum to respond to God's call to engage in public life - not to simply shout from a distance but rather to work to build meaningful relationships with those whom we will not necessarily agree with on everything. They will be sharing information about those work and vision stories from those already involved in public life with a wealth of experience of faith and politics and looking again at the biblical call to engage, with Q&A, group reflection, discussion and networking. St Andrew's Church, Sneyd Green, ST6 2NW on Saturday, 24<sup>th</sup> November, 7.30 pm – 10.00 pm. Admission free: to book Google 'eventbrite influence tour'. There is also a training event in Public Speaking & Media Training for Political Engagement running from 2.00 pm – 4.00 pm.

**Renew Lichfield** ... are again organising a special evening service - at 6.00 pm on Sunday, 18<sup>th</sup> November at Christ Church Stone. Johnny Jukes, President of Oak Hill Theological College will be preaching on Jude – Contending for the faith.

**Stuart Townend and Band** ... are playing at St Edward's Church, Leek as part of his Courage Tour 2018 on Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> December at 7.30 pm. Tickets are £12 advance/£15 on the night - to book google 'eventbrite townend leek'.

**Rotary Aquabox at St Peter's** ... your help is greatly needed to fill the box, a list of essential items is available inside an envelope inside the box. Please take a look. For further information please contact Joe Cartwright. Many thanks in anticipation.

**Music for Advent** ... J.S. Bach Magnificat, Cantata Wachet auf and Motet Komm, Jesu, komm. Keele Bach Choir with the Brayside Orchestra. Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> December at 7.30 pm in Keele University Chapel. Tickets: £12 (£10 in advance), Students £5, Under 16's free.

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