



# St Andrew's Church Bedford

**15<sup>th</sup> September 2024**

Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity Sunday

## **Welcome to St Andrew's Church**

### **New to St Andrews?**

Please introduce yourself to one of our Welcomers, or to Lucy the Vicar. You might also like to fill in one of our welcome cards, found by the main door, so that we can stay in touch.

If you receive Communion in your own Church, please do share with us today. If you would rather have a blessing, come forward holding an order of service so we know your preference. Gluten free wafers are available; please ask a welcomer to help.

### **Accessibility**

There is a loop system in Church if you are a hearing aid user. An accessible toilet (with changing table) can be found by going down the left-hand aisle and through the door. The Quiet Room is available if you need a break-out space - you can still hear the service there.

### **Children in Church**

We love having children join us in worship! Feel free to feed your baby in Church. Our children's group meet in the hall during the 10 am service (except for the first Sunday of the month) 'Whispering Booklets' are available to help children follow the service.

**Please join us for coffee in the Main Hall after the 10.00am service**

Large print copies are available.

## Readings

<b>1<sup>st</sup> Reading:</b>	Proverbs 1:20-33	(OT page 454)
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:</b>	James 3.1 - 12	(NT page 180)
<b>Gospel:</b>	Mark 8.27 - end	(NT page 34)



*The readings are available to view on our website - the QR code above right will take you directly to the webpage. Page references refer to the pew Bibles, should you wish to follow the readings.*

## Music

<b>Opening Hymn:</b>	NEH 439 (i) omit v.4 Praise to the holiest
<b>Gradual:</b>	NEH 151 t.238 Now that the daylight fills the sky
<b>Offertory:</b>	NEH 375 I danced in the morning
<b>Communion:</b>	NEH 234 Christ whose glory fills the skies NEH 76 Take up thy cross
<b>Anthem:</b>	Oculi omnium - Wood
<b>Final Hymn:</b>	SASP 25 Christ triumphant
<b>Voluntary:</b>	Prelude in E minor - JS Bach
	<b>Duration:</b> 6 minutes

## In Our Prayers

For our charity partners - WorldVision link with Pajule, Uganda  
- The Trussell Trust  
- Emmaus

**The Vicar:** The Reverend Canon Lucy Davis

*Lucy is away on sabbatical until the end of November.*

*In her absence, please contact Reverend Joseph Barnes or the Office*

**Curate:** The Reverend Joseph Barnes

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Day off: Thursday

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## Notices

**Centred Autumn 2024:** Please pick up a bundle from the back of church, for a road near you, if you can kindly assist in delivering them.

**Sacred Space Healing Service:** 6pm today. There will be an opportunity for worship, reflection, laying on of hands and anointing for yourself or/and on behalf of someone in need of wholeness and healing. There will also be an opportunity half an hour before the service and half an hour after for a private spiritual conversation in the quiet room.

**Mothers' Union:** Monday 16<sup>th</sup> September 2.30pm in the Holt Room. We will be joined by the Revd Dr Janet Wootton from Bunyan Meeting Church, who will be speaking on "Voices of Women: women writing hymns through the ages". Janet is a past Executive President of the Hymn Society of Great Britain and Ireland. Please do come along. Tea and cake will be served after the talk.

**Celebration Service and Sale:** Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 10am, Archdeacon Dave will lead a special service on 22<sup>nd</sup> September, celebrating the Fairtrade shop as well as the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Fairtrade mark. Followed by our Celebratory Sale in the main Hall at 11am for an opportunity to buy a wide range of Fairtrade foods, crafts and household items, all at 25% off everything for that day only. Fairtrade tea and cake will be served between 2 and 4 pm. From 23<sup>rd</sup> September, the shop will run as a seasonal Fairtrade Gift Shop, before closing its doors on 22<sup>nd</sup> December. The money in the Fairtrade at St Andrew's account will be then donated to the charity Transform Trade, and any remaining goods to benefit Bedford Foodbank and Emmaus.

**Messy Church:** Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> September 3- 5pm in the Main Hall Join in for a fun-filled afternoon of crafts games and activities for all the family, followed by worship and a simple meal.

**Basic Awareness Safeguarding Course** *Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2-4.30pm* in the Main Hall. The Church of England recommends that all volunteers undertake this basic safeguarding training. It is available to complete online at <https://safeguardingtraining.cofeportal.org>, but, for those members of our congregation who would prefer it, Jo Newton and Kelly Agler-Good will be running a group session with refreshments on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> October. To register your interest, see Jo or Kelly or email [safeguarding@standrewsbedford.org](mailto:safeguarding@standrewsbedford.org)

# The Week Ahead

## Monday to Saturday

- 8.30am Morning Prayer. In the Chapel and on Zoom.  
5.00pm Evening Prayer (except Saturday). On Zoom.

## Sunday 15th September

- 8.00am Holy Communion. In Church.  
10.00am Parish Eucharist. In Church.  
2.00pm Tea Dance. In the Main Hall.  
6.00pm Sacred Space. In Church.

## Monday 16th September

- 9.30am Noah's Ark - Autumn Term Begins. In the Main Hall.  
2.30pm Mothers' Union. In Church.

## Tuesday 17th September

- 7.45pm PCC Meeting. In the Main Hall.

## Wednesday 18th September

- 10.30am Holy Communion. In Church.

## Friday 20th September

- 10.30am Silent Meditation. In Quiet Room.  
8.00pm Compline. On Zoom.

## Sunday 22nd September

- 8.00am Holy Communion. In Church.  
10.00am Service of thanksgiving for Fairtrade led by Archdeacon Dave Middlebrook. In Church.  
11.00am Fairtrade Celebratory Sale. In the main Hall.  
2.00pm Fairtrade Tea. In the Main Hall.  
6.00pm Evening Prayer. In Church.

*Key dates for the month ahead are listed on the sheet available at the back of Church. A full listing of what's on at St Andrew's can be found on our website [standrewsbedford.org](http://standrewsbedford.org) under 'Calendar.'*



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