



# St Andrew's Church Bedford

**7th July 2024**

Sixth 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

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| <b>1<sup>st</sup> Reading:</b> | Ezekiel 2.1 - 5         | (OT page 597) |
| <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:</b> | 2 Corinthians 12.2 - 10 | (NT page 142) |
| <b>Gospel:</b>                 | Mark 6.1 - 13           | (NT page 31)  |



*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

**Song:** Our God is a great big God

**Song:** Eat this bread

**Song:** Gather around for the table is spread

**Song:** Halleluia, we sing your praises

## In Our Prayers

For the General Election.

For Courtney, Kife and Scarlett as they are admitted to Communion.

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

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

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Day Off: Friday

**Curate:** The Reverend Joseph Barnes

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Day off: Thursday

**Church Centre Office:** Monday to Friday, 9.00am - 5.00pm

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## Notices

**National Charity:** Thank you to everyone who voted to choose a new theme for our next National Charity. There was a wonderful response; 140 voting slips were returned including 13 from the younger members of our congregation. This is such a great endorsement of your willingness to support where we as a church are called missionally. Here are the results:

- **Young People Leaving Care** 67 votes
- **Mental Health** 30 votes
- **Climate Change** 18 votes
- **Cost of Living & Financial Poverty** 17 votes
- **Racial Justice** 8 votes

The Mission and Outreach Team are now researching charities that work with Young People Leaving Care and there will be another vote in the autumn to select just one.

**Messy Church:** Join us on 13th July 3.00 - 5.00pm for a fun-filled Olympic themed afternoon of crafts games and activities for all the family, followed by worship and a simple meal.

**What's Next for Me?** Monday 15th July 9.30am - 3.30 pm. Are you a retired member of the St Andrew's Church family? Ready for a change? Not quite sure what the year ahead might hold? This is the day for you! An opportunity to reflect on what God what might be calling you to in this next season. The suggested contribution is £10 which can be paid on the day and includes lunch and refreshments. You can pick up a flier at the back of Church for more details. To sign up, please email Caroline [office@standrewsbedford.org](mailto:office@standrewsbedford.org)

**Opus 18 Summer Charity Concert** - Saturday 20th July, 7pm at St Andrew's Church. There will also be a raffle and refreshments. Please contact Evelyn Sutherland (evsutherlandmusic@hotmail.co.uk) for tickets. Adult tickets are £10 each and under 12's are £5, supporting The Samaritans and Chums charities.

**Work Morning:** The Church and Centre Management Committee are holding their next monthly work morning on Saturday 13 July from 10.00 am to midday. There are still plenty of gardening jobs to do and there are fence panels to paint in the car park. Have a word with Alan Colley or just turn up. Please bring your own tools and fence paint brushes (paint provided), please. We finish with coffee and biscuits.

# 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 7<sup>th</sup> July

- 8.00am Holy Eucharist. In Church.  
8.45am Breakfast. In the Holt Room.  
10.00am All-Age Worship with Communion. In Church.  
6.00pm Choral Evensong. In Church.

## Mon 8<sup>th</sup> July

- 9.30am Noah's Ark. In the Main Hall.  
2.30pm Pilgrim House Group. Please contact the office for the location.

## Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July

- 10.30am Holy Communion. In Church.  
7.00pm Handbell Practice. In the Dent Room.

## Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July

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

## Saturday 13<sup>h</sup> July

- 10.00am Work Morning  
3.00pm Messy Church. In the Main Hall.

## Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> July

- 8.00am Holy Communion. In Church.  
10.00am Parish Eucharist with Baptism. In Church.  
11.30am Baptism. In Church.  
5.30pm Toastie Club. 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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