



St Andrew's Church Bedford

25th September 2022

15th Sunday after Trinity

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

Orders of service and notice sheets are available in large print. 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.

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 10am service.

Today's Readings

1st Reading: Amos 6. 1a, 4-7
2nd Reading: 1 Timothy 6. 6-19
Gospel: Luke 16. 19-end

Today's Music

Opening Hymn: 372 NEH He who would valiant be
Gradual Hymn: 264 NEH All things bright and beautiful
Offertory Hymn: 377 NEH Immortal, invisible
Communion: 2 SASP A new commandment
150 SASP O Lord, my God
Anthem: A Gaelic Blessing - *Rutter*
Final Hymn: 415 NEH O for a thousand tongues to sing
Voluntary: Sonata in E minor, 3rd movement - *Rheinberger*
Duration: 3 minutes - please feel free to leave before the end.

In Our Prayers

For our Creation Care work at St Andrew's, and all people who seek to safeguard the environment.

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

The Vicar: The Reverend Lucy Davis

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Church Centre Office: Monday - Friday 9:00am-5:00pm

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Notices

Creation Care: Meeting 27th September, 7.45pm in the Dent Room. All are welcome as we continue to work towards our Net Zero target and the Eco Church Award.

Harvest Supper: Saturday 1st October, 6pm, in the Main Hall. All are invited to come along for a two-course meal. Tickets - £8 each (Under 12s free) - available today or from the Church Office until Tuesday.

Harvest Festival: Sunday 2nd October. We will celebrate Harvest Festival at all three services: 8am Eucharist, 10am All Age Eucharist, and 6pm Choral Evensong. Monetary donations via the 'red bucket' or contactless giving machine will go to the Bishop of St Albans' Harvest Appeal. Non-perishable items are also welcomed for Bedford Foodbank.

Safeguarding Basic Awareness: Saturday 8th October, 2pm, in the Main Hall. Anyone who is involved with church groups and completed Safeguarding Basic Awareness training in 2019 is invited to attend group training to renew their certificate. New volunteers with church roles are also welcome. Please contact Sheila Bissell with any questions.

St Andrew's Visitors: At St Andrew's you will hear the phrase 'Church Family' frequently, and one strand of our Vision is to develop fellowship within that family. To that end, we have formed a group of half a dozen people, who have been DBS checked and trained, to visit people in their homes on behalf of the Church. If you would like a visit, or perhaps think there is someone in the Church Family who needs a little extra care, please do let Lucy or the Office know, and we will arrange for someone to see them. You will find more details on the website.

Warm Room: You may have read about plans for a Warm Room in our e newsletter. The plan is to offer hospitality within the Church Centre to anybody in the Parish who might need it as the cost-of-living crisis hits this Winter. Those coming to the Warm Room will be able to have a hot drink, charge their phone, warm up, and read, work or play games. We are therefore in need of -

Volunteers: to offer a couple of hours a week to act as host in the room, making people welcome. Hosts will need a DBS check, which we can put in place for you if you don't already have one. Please email Lucy or sign the list at the back of Church if you are interested in finding out more.

Board Games: Could you donate a new or nearly new game? (They might not be returned in the same condition!) Please drop these into the office, with your name so that we can return them if we have too many.

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 25th September

- 5.30pm The Toastie Club. In the Main Hall.
6.00pm Evening Prayer. In Church

Tuesday 27th September

- 7.00 pm Romanian Orthodox Service. In Church.
7.45pm Creation Care Meeting. In the Dent Room.

Wednesday 28th September

- 10.30am Holy Eucharist. In Church

Thursday 29th September

- 2.00pm Funeral for June Swales. In Church

Friday 30th September

- 10.30am Meditation Group. In the Chapel
8.00pm Compline. On Zoom

Saturday 1st October

- 6.00pm Harvest Supper. In the Main Hall.

Sunday 2nd October - Harvest Festival

- 8.00am Holy Eucharist. In Church
8.45am First Sunday breakfast. In the Holt Room
10.00am All Age Parish Eucharist. In Church
11.30am Holy Baptism
4.30pm Friends of St Andrew's AGM. In the Main Hall
6.00pm Choral Evensong. In Church

*A full listing of what's on at St Andrew's can be found on our website
www.standrewsbedford.org under 'Calendar.'*



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