



St Andrew's Church Bedford

12th October 2025

Seventeenth 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 contact cards, found by the main door, so that we can stay in touch.

You are welcome to share Communion 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

1st Reading:	2 Kings 5.1 - 3, 7 - 15c	(OT page 262)
2nd Reading:	2 Timothy 2.8 - 15	(NT page 165)
Gospel:	Luke 17.11 - 19	(NT page 61)



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

Opening Hymn:	NEH 373 How shall I sing that majesty
Gradual:	NEH 381 Jerusalem the golden
Offertory:	SASP 44 For the healing of the nations
Communion:	NEH 64 Be thou my guardian SASP 15 Be still for the presence of the Lord
Anthem:	NEH Cantique de Jean Racine - Fauré
Final Hymn:	NEH 477 t.408 Ye that know the Lord is gracious
Voluntary:	Fugue in E minor (the Wedge) - JS Bach <i>Duration: 5 minutes</i> <i>Please feel free to leave before the end</i>

In Our Prayers

For our charity partners – WorldVision link with Pajule, Uganda
– Home for Good
– Emmaus

For healing of relationships between Christians, Jews and Muslims in this country and across the world.

The Vicar: The Reverend Canon Lucy Davis

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Day off: Friday

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Safeguarding: If you have any safeguarding concerns, please contact the Vicar or the Safeguarding Team: safeguarding@standrewsbedford.org

Notices

'In Loving Memory' and All Souls: If you would like loved ones who have died remembered by name at our services 'In Loving Memory' (4pm Sunday 26th October) or All Souls (Wednesday 29th October), please complete cards at the back of Church. One name per card, please - green for 'In Loving Memory' and cream for All Souls.

Baby Loss Wave of Light Service: Wednesday 15th October, 8pm. In the Chapel. Join us as we remember little ones who have died too soon and commend them to God's care. You are welcome no matter how long ago your loss: parents, siblings, grandparents and any others affected

Eco Connect: Saturday 18th October, 3pm. In the Main Hall. Our Creation Care group are inviting individuals and local environmental groups to gather to share inspiration and ideas, form connections and explore how we might be more effective together. The keynote speaker will be Polly Eaton from A Rocha UK, a Christian environmental charity. Please join us and invite anyone who might be interested.

International Charity: For the next two weeks, the Church family will have the opportunity to vote for our next international charity. As our partnership with World Vision reaches its end, MOT (Mission and Outreach) have researched charities working in our chosen area - meeting basic needs. Please pick up and complete a form and return to the box at the back of Church.

Bible Reading Notes: Do you want a helping hand when reading the bible? Bible Reading Fellowship (BRF) notes offer explanation and interpretation of scripture, like having an expert in the room with you. Jenny Tomlinson BRF rep for St Andrew's and will be renewing subscriptions in October. If you would like to know more, visit the BRF website www.brf.org.uk, or speak to Jenny to sign up.

Film Night: Saturday 25th October 7.00pm. In the Main Hall. Showing *The Salt Path*, a moving story following a couple who, after losing everything, set out to walk the Southwest Coast Path. Doors open at 6.15pm. Please contact Martin Johnson (ufpfilmclub@gmail.com) with any enquires.

The Week Ahead

Monday to Saturday

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

Sunday 12th October

- 8.00am Holy Eucharist. In Church.
- 10.00am Parish Eucharist with Holy Baptism. In Church.
- 11.45am Baptism of Clemency Talbot. In Church.
- 2.00pm Tea Dance Lesson. In the Main Hall.
- 5.30pm Toastie Club. Trip to Putt Putt Noodle.

Monday 13th October

- 9.30am Noah's Ark. In the Main Hall.
- 2.15pm Pilgrim House Group. Contact the Office for the location.

Tuesday 14th October

- 7.30pm Life Together - Pilgrim Group. In the Quiet Room.

Wednesday 15th October

- 10.30am Holy Eucharist. In Church.
- 8.00pm Baby Loss Wave of Light. In the Chapel.

Friday 17th October

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

Saturday 18th October

- 3.00pm Eco-Connect Community Event. In the Main Hall.

Sunday 19th October

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

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 the website standrewsbedford.org under 'Calendar'.

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