



# St Andrew's Church Bedford

**27th November 2022**

Patronal Festival

## **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**

## Today's Readings

<b>1st Reading:</b>	Isaiah 52: 7-10
<b>2nd Reading:</b>	Romans 10: 12-18
<b>Gospel:</b>	Matthew 4: 18-22

## Today's Music

<b>Opening Hymn:</b>	205 NEH	Christ is made the sure foundation
<b>Gradual:</b>	200 NEH	Jesus calls us o'er the tumult
<b>Offertory:</b>	206 NEH	Christ is our cornerstone
<b>Communion:</b>	2 SASP	A new commandment
	204 SASP	Will you come and follow me
<b>Anthem:</b>		Lead me, Lord - <i>Wesley</i>
<b>Final Hymn:</b>	214 NEH	Let the round world
<b>Voluntary:</b>		Fugue from Fantasia on Wachet auf - <i>Reger</i> (Duration: 4 minutes - please feel free to leave before the end)

## In Our Prayers

For the gift of creativity and all involved in creative arts

For all impacted by or fearful about the cost of living crisis.

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

For the people of Uganda as they face the spread of an Ebola outbreak.

**The Vicar:** The Reverend Lucy Davis

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

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## Notices

**Advent Carol Service:** This evening at 6pm. As we enter the season of Advent, do join us later today for this reflective candlelit service which includes some wonderful Advent carols, anthems and readings.

**Advent Course: Gloria in Excelsis Deo:** 7.30pm Wednesdays from 30<sup>th</sup> November until 21<sup>st</sup> December in the Holt Room and on Zoom. See the e newsletter or pick up a leaflet at the back of church for details.

**Coffee and Company:** Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December, 10am-12noon, in the Foyer. Come and enjoy coffee and delicious cake over a sociable chat.

**Film Night:** Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> December, 7pm in the Main Hall. Please contact Gareth on 360583 by lunchtime this Wednesday, 30<sup>th</sup> November, to place your supper order if you are planning to attend.

**Confirmation:** Meeting Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> December after the 10am service. There will be a confirmation service at St Andrew's on 15<sup>th</sup> March 2023 at 7.30pm. If you would like to be confirmed, or to find out more, please come along for a chat with Lucy after the 10am service on 11<sup>th</sup> December. Confirmation is available for anyone aged 10 or above. It is an opportunity to affirm publicly as an adult the faith confessed for us at infant Baptism.

**Wednesday Service Christmas Lunch:** 14<sup>th</sup> December, 12.15pm, in the Main Hall. £10 per person; tickets now available after Wednesday morning service or from the Church Office. To assist with planning, please purchase your ticket by 8<sup>th</sup> December. Thank you.

**Reverse Advent Calendar:** This initiative from our Mission and Outreach team is a way of supporting our local Foodbank. There is a blog post on our website which explains what this is and how it works. Please note that you are welcome to substitute the suggested daily donation on the Calendar with another item. If you would prefer to make a monetary donation rather than collect goods, a cheque payable to Bedford Foodbank and directed to Jim Gorringer via the Church Office would be equally welcome.

**Advent and Christmas Services at St Andrew's:** Details of our services are now available on our website - see the News & Calendar section.

**Could you help us deliver** our festive newsletter around the parish? Road bundles are now ready at the back of church - just select the road to which you wish to deliver and enjoy some pre-Christmas exercise! Thank you.

# 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 27<sup>th</sup> November

11.15am Cakes on sale by Toastie Club in aid of charity. In the Main Hall

6.00pm Advent Carol Service. In Church and on YouTube

## Monday 28<sup>th</sup> November

9.30am Noah's Ark. In the Main Hall

## Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November

10.30am Holy Eucharist. In Church

7.30pm Advent Course. In the Holt Room and on Zoom

9.00pm Compline. In Church and on Zoom

## Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December

2.00pm Talking Elephants Bereavement Support. In the Holt Room

## Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December

10.00am Coffee and Company. In the Foyer

8.00pm Compline. On Zoom

## Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> December

7.00pm Film Night. In the Main Hall

## Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> December

8.00am Holy Eucharist. In Church

8.45am First Sunday breakfast. In the Holt Room

10.00am All Age Worship. In Church

6.00pm Said Evening Prayer. In Church

*A full listing of what's on at St Andrew's can be found on our website  
[www.standrewsbedford.org](http://www.standrewsbedford.org) under 'Calendar.'*



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