



St Andrew's Westlands

A warm welcome to anyone worshipping with us today for the first time.

After 10.45 Sunday services, you are warmly invited to stay in church for refreshments. These will be served in the South aisle: tea, squash & instant coffee by the orange oval ceramic at the front, and filter coffee from the back..

Sunday 18th May

8.30 am Morning Worship

Psalm 19:7-14 (p.547) Matthew 13:44-52 (p.988)

10.45 am All Age Worship

Opportunity for individual prayer after service in lady chapel

6.30 pm Evening Worship, in the Church

Collect for: The Fifth Sunday of Easter

Almighty God,

*who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ
have overcome death and opened to us the gate of
everlasting life:*

*grant that, as by your grace going before us
you put into our minds good desires,
so by your continual help*

*we may bring them to good effect;
through Jesus Christ our risen Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.***



**Welcoming the
whole community**



**Discovering
God's love**



**Following
Jesus' teaching**

This week ...

- Mon 19th May 11.40 am Funeral of David (Budgie) Burgess
 4.00 pm Xcite, Parish Room
 7.30 pm PCC, Parish Room
- Tues 20th May 10.00 am Little Sparklers, Parish Room
 7.00 for 7.30 pm Deanery Synod, St Paul's Longton Hall
- Wed 21st May 8.30 am Morning Prayer via Zoom
 10.30 am Home Group, Parish Room
 1.30 pm Renew Westlands Café, Parish Room
 7.30 pm Home Group, Parish Room
 7.30 pm Worship Committee
- Fri 23rd May 7.30 pm Compline via Zoom
- Sun 25th May 8.30 am Holy Communion
 10.45 am Morning Worship
 6.30 pm Evening Worship, in the Church

The church building is also open on Monday and Thursday 9.30-3.00.

Rudyard Awayday, Saturday 14th June ... we are hoping that a good number will join us for this day for worship, teaching and fellowship in a great setting. Cost £10 including drinks and sandwich buffet lunch, we will aim to make transport available for those who need it. If you haven't yet received a flyer about this, do please take one from the back of church. It will be really helpful to us if people book in as soon as possible, and at the very latest by Sunday 1st June.

Door to Door Introductions ... on the evenings of Wednesday 18th June and Wednesday 6th July (6.30-8.00 pm) we are planning to make personal contact with those living in some of the streets of St Andrew's Parish. It would be great if others could join the small team that we have recruited so far. Please speak to Andrew or to Irene Hardacre if you want to know more.

Deanery Synod ... as usual this is a meeting open to all. It is on Tuesday (20rd May) at St Pauls Church, Longton Hall. The subject is: developing a faith sharing culture, speaker James Lawrence from CPAS.

Annual Meeting ... we had a full complement of nominations to serve for 2025/2026 on our PCC: Helen Collins, Irene Hardacre, Gillian Moss, Stuart Rushton, Helen McGarry, Jane Machin, Margaret Hollins, Bob Bell, Tania Arnold, Stuart Jackson, Karen Gallagher, Steve Forrester,

David Leech, Alan Swanborough, Helen Swanborough, Chris Gill and Glenys Gill, all continuing in this role for another year, joined by Neil Thompson, and by our wardens Sam Jones (continuing) and Marie Bateman (taking over from Margaret Hollins). We are very grateful to all who serve in this way.

Notices From Previous Weeks

Jigsaw Festival ... Saturday 19th July, 10 am to 3.30 pm - your help needed please. The Events Group are planning a Jigsaw Festival as part of the celebrations for the completion of our new hall. Could you please help in the following ways:

1. Do you have any large pieces of sturdy cardboard packing or boxes or hardboard that can be cut to mount jigsaws on?
2. Would you be willing to donate a new or used but 100% complete and good condition jigsaw that we can sell? 1000, 500 or less pieces, including children's or larger piece adults puzzles.
3. Would you or your family be willing to construct jigsaws in advance of the event, that we can lay on cardboard and display?

Please contact Margaret to Hollins to discuss any of these. Please let me know details of what you may have to contribute. We will also need help on the day and the day before, with setting up, helping with refreshments, etc. Full details in due course.

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Transport to 10.30 service: 07951 674453 on the morning. 8.30-9.30 am St Andrew's Church (charity number 1132163) is funded by donations We don't expect visitors to contribute towards our running costs but if you would like to do so there are gift aid envelopes in the pews, and collection plates by the door. We are very grateful to all who support us as we seek to serve God here in the Westlands.

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