



St Andrew's Church, Rugby

Welcome to St Andrew's Church
may God's peace be with you

The service sheet gives directions on when to stand or kneel, but please feel free to remain sitting if you prefer. Toilets are available through the arch beside the main entrance.

We have a plate at the back of church for offerings; a link to online giving is on the back of this service sheet.

The Presentation of Christ *Candlemas*

28th January 2024

6.00pm Choral Evensong

Officiant: The Rev'd Canon Edmund Newey

Responses Clucas **Canticles:** Walmisley in D minor

Introit *sung by the choir*

The Minister announces the **Opening Hymn**; *please stand*

Opening Hymn 110 Hail to the Lord who comes

The Welcome

The Minister welcomes the congregation to the service

Beloved, we are come together
in the presence of Almighty God
and of the whole company of heaven
to offer unto him through our Lord Jesus Christ
our worship and praise and thanksgiving;
to make confession of our sins;
to pray, as well for others as for ourselves,
that we may know more truly the greatness of God's love
and shew forth in our lives the fruits of his grace;
and to ask on behalf of all men
such things as their well-being doth require.
Wherefore let us kneel in silence
and remember God's presence with us now.

Please kneel as we say together

**ALMIGHTY and most merciful Father,
We have erred, and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep,
We have followed too much the devices
and desires of our own hearts,
We have offended against thy holy laws,
We have left undone those things which we ought to have done,
And we have done those things
which we ought not to have done,
And there is no health in us:
But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us miserable offenders;
Spare thou them, O God, which confess their faults,
Restore thou them that are penitent,
According to thy promises declared unto mankind
in Christ Jesu our Lord:
And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake,
That we may hereafter live a godly,
righteous, and sober life,
To the glory of thy holy Name.
Amen.**

May the Almighty and merciful Lord
grant unto *you* pardon and
remission of all *your* sins, time for amendment of life,
and the grace and comfort of the Holy Spirit.

All Amen.

**All Our Father, which art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy Name,
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done,
in earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
And forgive us our trespasses,
As we forgive them that trespass against us;
And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory,
For ever and ever.
Amen.**

Cantor O Lord, open thou our lips.

Answer And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

Cantor O God, make speed to save us.

Answer O Lord, make haste to help us.

Please stand

Cantor Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Ghost;

Answer As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.

Cantor Praise ye the Lord.

Answer The Lord's Name be praised.

Please sit

Psalm 34: 1-10

I WILL always give thanks unto the Lord : his praise shall ever be in
my mouth.

My soul shall make her boast in the Lord : the humble shall hear
thereof, and be glad.

O praise the Lord with me : and let us magnify his Name together.
I sought the Lord, and he heard me : yea, he delivered me out of all
my fear.

They had an eye unto him, and were lightened: and their faces were
not ashamed.

Lo, the poor crieth, and the Lord heareth him : yea, and saveth him
out of all his troubles.

The angel of the Lord tarrieth round about them that fear him : and
delivereth them.

O taste, and see, how gracious the Lord is : blessed is the man that
trusteth in him.

O fear the Lord, ye that are his saints : for they that fear him lack
nothing.

The lions do lack, and suffer hunger : but they who seek the Lord
shall want no manner of thing that is good.

Please stand for the Gloria if you wish

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son :
and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be :
world without end. Amen

Please sit

Old Testament Reading: Haggai 2:1-9

In the second year of King Darius, in the seventh month, on the twenty-first day of the month, the word of the Lord came by the prophet Haggai, saying: Speak now to Zerubbabel son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and to Joshua son of Jehozadak, the high priest, and to the remnant of the people, and say, Who is left among you that saw this house in its former glory? How does it look to you now? Is it not in your sight as nothing? Yet now take courage, O Zerubbabel, says the Lord; take courage, O Joshua, son of Jehozadak, the high priest; take courage, all you people of the land, says the Lord; work, for I am with you, says the Lord of hosts, according to the promise that I made you when you came out of Egypt. My spirit abides among you; do not fear. For thus says the Lord of hosts: Once again, in a little while, I will shake the heavens and the earth and the sea and the dry land; and I will shake all the nations, so that the treasure of all nations shall come, and I will fill this house with splendour, says the Lord of hosts. The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, says the Lord of hosts. The latter splendour of this house shall be greater than the former, says the Lord of hosts; and in this place I will give prosperity, says the Lord of hosts.

Please remain seated

Magnificat Luke 1

MY soul doth magnify the Lord :
and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.
For he hath regarded :
the lowliness of his hand-maiden.
For behold, from henceforth :
all generations shall call me blessed.
For he that is mighty hath magnified me :
and holy is his Name.
And his mercy is on them that fear him :
throughout all generations.

He hath shewed strength with his arm :
he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
He hath put down the mighty from their seat :
and hath exalted the humble and meek.
He hath filled the hungry with good things :
and the rich he hath sent empty away.
He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel :
as he promised to our forefathers,
Abraham and his seed, for ever.

Please stand for the Gloria if you wish

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son :
and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be :
world without end. Amen.

Please sit or remain seated

New Testament Reading: John 2:18-22

The Jews then said to him, 'What sign can you show us for doing this?' Jesus answered them, 'Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.' The Jews then said, 'This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?' But he was speaking of the temple of his body. After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

Nunc Dimittis *Luke 2.29*

LORD, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace :
according to thy word.
For mine eyes have seen : thy salvation;
Which thou hast prepared :
before the face of all people;
To be a light to lighten the Gentiles :
and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

Please stand for the Gloria if you wish

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son :
and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be :
world without end. Amen.

The Apostles Creed *please stand*

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth:
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord,
Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
Born of the Virgin Mary,
Suffered under Pontius Pilate,
Was crucified, dead, and buried:
He descended into hell;
The third day he rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
And sitteth on the right hand
of God the Father Almighty;
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost;
The holy Catholick Church;
The Communion of Saints;
The Forgiveness of sins;
The Resurrection of the body,
And the Life everlasting.
Amen**

Cantor The Lord be with you.

Answer And with thy spirit.

Cantor Let us pray

Please sit

Cantor Lord, have mercy upon us.

Answer Christ, have mercy upon us.
 Lord, have mercy upon us.

Cantor Our Father,

**Answer which art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy Name,
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done,**

**in earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
And forgive us our trespasses,
As we forgive them that trespass against us;
And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil.
Amen.**

Cantor O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.

Answer And grant us thy salvation.

Cantor O Lord, save the King

Answer And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Cantor Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.

Answer And make thy chosen people joyful.

Cantor O Lord, save thy people.

Answer And bless thine inheritance.

Cantor Give peace in our time, O Lord.

Answer Because there is none other that fighteth for us,
but only thou, O God.

Cantor O God, make clean our hearts within us.

Answer And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

The Collect

Then shall follow three Collects: The first of the day, the second for peace, the third for aid against all perils.

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, we humbly beseech thy Majesty, that, as thy only-begotten Son was this day presented in the temple in substance of our flesh, so we may be presented unto thee with pure and clean hearts, by the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

O GOD, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed: Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that both our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee we being defended from the fear of our enemies may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

LIGHTEN our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Anthem *sung by the choir* O thou the central orb Wood

Intercessions made for the world

Healing prayer: Solanki, Irene W, George W, Edwin F, Alan B, Mary S, Jane B, Adrianna, Luci & Sophie, Gillian M, Rita & Noel, Caroline, Dilshad, Lily, Denise, Tony & Kirsten, Donald, Alan & Tim, Mary G, Sarah P, Ron G, Rex & Marion, Colleen S.

In Memoriam: Eve Dickinson, Trevor Levesley, Alan Bartrop.

Please stand

Final Hymn 25 We praise you, Father, for your gift

Please remain standing

Final Blessing

The peace of God,
which passeth all understanding,
keep your hearts and minds
in the knowledge and love of God,
and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord:
And the blessing of God Almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost,
be amongst *you* and remain with *you* always.
Amen.

The choir and minister depart

Voluntary

News and Notices

Any item to be included in News & Notices should be with Kate by Wednesday, 12noon.



Compassionate Communities 'Community Conversation' It's really good to talk!

Come along and join us around the table for tea/coffee, cake and chat on the first Wednesday of each month, 10.30-11.45. Contact Sharon Crofts, 07342 086276

Bereavement Point 2pm - 3.30pm on the 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month (plus the 5th if there is one!). Opportunity for group conversation and relationship building where everyone is welcome and comfort is offered <https://compassionaterugby.co.uk/>

Thirteen Bells Book Club We choose a book to read together and meet fortnightly to discuss it. Titles include thrillers, science fiction, history, family drama and romance. We meet in local cafes including St Andrew's. Contact John: shoparound1938@gmail.com

The Rugby Cafe Writers meet every fortnight in St Andrew's Church on a Friday at 10am. This is a group for anyone who enjoys writing fiction, non-fiction or poetry. The group has recently published an anthology called A Story For Every Day Of Winter. To buy a copy, see a member of the group or go to www.rugbycafewriters.com New members are always welcome to join.

The Big Table Gospel group meets every week in the church cafe on alternate Thursdays and Fridays at 10am. This is a group for anyone who wishes to explore the weekly readings of the church in a bit more depth and talk about how they relate to everyday life. We are devoting our Thursday meetings to discussing a book on some aspect of faith. New members welcome. Contact John on shoparound1938@gmail.com

Healing Ministry We are seeking to introduce healing ministry into one of our worship services and are keen to hear from members of our worshipping community who would be interested in supporting us in this. We know that St Andrew's used to offer this and that some of you would have been involved. If you would like to offer your experience or learn more about future potential involvement in healing ministry please speak with Edmund or Sharon at your earliest convenience. With many thanks.

The 'Yes' Conference for women who want to say yes to God in 'such a time as this' *Hebrews 10:31*. Launde Abbey 3pm Friday 5th April - 12pm Sunday 7th April 2024. Full board, £273-single occupancy, £220-shared room. Contact Juliet Packer: juliet.packer49@gmail.com

Parish Magazine - The next copy of YOUR Magazine will be the Easter 2024 Issue and a contribution from you for inclusion is welcome, be it an article, poem, story or something you wish to share. Should you feel inspired then please provide your contribution by Sunday 25 February to John, Rob or Kate in the Parish Office. Thank you.

Myton Hospice's Coventry Cathedral Abseil. Mike Taylor has bravely signed up to be part of this year's fundraising of £35,000 for Myton Hospice by abseiling down Coventry Cathedral on 16th March. He has set a fundraising target of £200 and would welcome donations to achieve this. If you wish to give online, his JustGiving page can be found through the events page on our website: www.standrewrugby.org.uk/events

Lent begins on **Ash Wednesday, 14th February**, when there will be eucharists with ashing at 12noon and 7.30pm. Details of all the many things going on this Lent are in the leaflet 'Lent 2024' - please take a copy and see what you might like to commit to.

Diary for the week

29th January - 4th February 2024

Monday	9.00am	Morning Prayer <i>in the Lady Chapel</i>
	10.00am	Ball of Yarn <i>knitting and crochet group</i>
	10.30am	Art with Aish
	6.30pm	St Andrew's Community Choir <i>All welcome</i>
	7.30pm	Bell ringing practice <i>New members welcome</i>
Tuesday	9.00am	Morning Prayer <i>in the Lady Chapel</i>
	9.30am	Reflective Communion <i>followed by coffee</i>
	1.00pm	Lunchtime concert by Renfei Xin (classical guitar)
	2.00pm	Bereavement Point
	6.00pm	Free Voice
Wednesday	9.00am	Morning Prayer <i>in the Lady Chapel</i>
	12.00pm	Wednesday Communion
	5.00pm	Young Choristers
	7.30pm	Sound bath
	7.30pm	Bell ringers AGM
Thursday	9.00am	Morning Prayer <i>in the Lady Chapel</i>
	12.30pm	Funeral of Eve Dickinson
	6.30pm	Board Games Group
	7.15pm	Choir Practice
Friday	9.00am	<i>No Morning Prayer</i>
	10.00am	Café Writers' Group
Saturday	10.00am-12pm	Café open. <i>Pop in for friendship and fellowship!</i>
Sunday 28th January 2024 - 2 before Lent		
	8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)
	10.30am	Choral Eucharist
	12.30pm	Fundraising lunch for May Blossom Farm
	6.00pm	Zoom Evening Prayer

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