



St Andrew's Church

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The Fifth Sunday after Easter 10th May 2026

8.00am BCP Holy Communion

President and Preacher : The Rev'd Canon Edmund Newey

10.30am Choral Eucharist

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Deacon : Helen Bryant

12noon Annual Parish Meeting

6.00pm Evensong

Officiant : The Rev'd James Sampson-Foster

Preacher : The Rev'd Canon Edmund Newey

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

If you have felt something special in this service and want to talk about faith, have a chat with one of the clergy or ministers after the service.

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 notice sheet.

Collect:

O Lord, from whom all good things do come: Grant to us thy humble servants, that by thy holy inspiration we may think those things that be good, and by thy merciful guiding may perform the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen

Reading: Acts 17:22-31

Then Paul stood in the midst of Mars' hill, and said, Ye men of Athens, I perceive that in all things ye are too superstitious.

For as I passed by, and beheld your devotions, I found an altar with this inscription, TO THE UNKNOWN God. Whom therefore ye ignorantly worship, him declare I unto you.

God that made the world and all things therein, seeing that he is Lord of heaven and earth, dwelleth not in temples made with hands;

Neither is worshipped with men's hands, as though he needed any thing, seeing he giveth to all life, and breath, and all things;

And hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth, and hath determined the times before appointed, and the bounds of their habitation;

That they should seek the Lord, if haply they might feel after him, and find him, though he be not far from every one of us:

For in him we live, and move, and have our being; as certain also of your own poets have said, For we are also his offspring.

Forasmuch then as we are the offspring of God, we ought not to think that the Godhead is like unto gold, or silver, or stone, graven by art and man's device.

And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men every where to repent:

Because he hath appointed a day, in the which he will judge the world in righteousness by that man whom he hath ordained; whereof he hath given assurance unto all men, in that he hath raised him from the dead.

Gospel: John 14:15-21

Jesus said, 'If ye love me, keep my commandments.

And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever;

Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.

I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you.

Yet a little while, and the world seeth me no more; but ye see me: because I live, ye shall live also.

At that day ye shall know that I am in my Father, and ye in me, and I in you.

He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him.

Healing prayer: George W, Luci & Sophie, Gillian M, Caroline, Lily, Denise, Mary S, Mary G, Cheryl W, David, S.M, Faith F, Jane B, William B, Rosemary & John K, Sue P, Carol S, Patricia T, David P,

In Memoriam: The Rev'd Pamela Gould

News and Notices

Any item to be included should be with the office by Wednesday, 12noon

Annual Parochial Church Meeting. Our annual church meeting will take place after the Sung Eucharist today. This is an opportunity to celebrate the life of the church over the past year and hear about our current needs and future plans. There will also be elections to the church council and deanery synod - if you would like to find out more about getting involved, please have a word with any of the clergy of wardens.

At Evensong, tonight we will be re-dedicating the refurbished white/gold altar frontal during Evensong at 6pm. The family of the late Pat and Stewart Smith, whose generous legacy partly funded the work, will be joining us and we will be hosting a short drinks reception in the cafe area afterwards

Bikefest—Rugby’s annual festival of all things motorbike takes place next Sunday, 17th May. All services are taking place as normal, but do be prepared for road closures.

English Mystics: William Blake. The next in the series of livestreamed webinars from Sarum College will take place in the Lady Chapel on Monday 11th May at 7.30pm—all are welcome.

Ascension Day. We mark the feast of Christ’s Ascension, forty days after Easter, with a Sung Eucharist at 7.30pm in church this Thursday, 14th May.

The Revd Pam Gould. Pam’s funeral service will take place at St Andrew’s on Friday 22nd May at 1pm—all are of course welcome

Helen Bryant. We're delighted that Helen Bryant will be ordained deacon at Coventry Cathedral on Sunday 28th June 2026.

She will be serving her curacy part-time in our neighbouring parishes of St Peter with St John and St George's, Rugby, whilst continuing to work as a Chaplain at Rugby School. Please keep Helen and her family in your prayers - we will share further details of the ordination arrangements in due course.

The Big Table Gospel group meets every week around the talking table in the cafe, alternating on Thursday and Friday mornings. Contact John on shoparound1938@gmail.com

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/>

Church Mice Stay and Play Group Great news! Church Mice has restarted at St Andrew's. 10-11.30am Fridays (term time) for ages 0-4 years and it's free. Please spread the news where you can. Volunteers are warmly welcome, have a chat with Lydia, Joyce or Heather for more information. Thank you.

The St Andrew's 100 Club The first draw, of our second year took place on Sunday 3 May with the winning tickets being - Number 68 held by Will Uglolw, Number 46 held by Bryan Acford and Number 16 held by Nanette Craig.

There is still time to join our 40 previous illustrious prize winners; Application Forms are available from John or Helen - with tickets priced at £25 each per annum and there is no limit as to the number of tickets you may hold, with payment accepted by Cheque or Standing Order. To Ticket Holders who paid by Standing Order for last year 2025 / 26 and you selected a one off payment, please consider re-joining and pick up an Application Form and renew your Standing Order. Our first year raised £1225 for Church and this initiative is a way to support the work of the Church while having

the opportunity to win a prize, with the prize draws taking place on the first Sunday of each Month, for the preceding month. You've Got To Be In It To Win It.

Recycling Update A further box of candles was sent for recycling on 8 April weighing 4.5Kg meaning since we started candle recycling on 2 April 2025 we have sent 163.95Kg for recycling and saved from going to landfill. Thank you for your support of this and our other recycling initiatives.



Christian Aid Week: There will be a cake and produce stall outside St Andrews in aid of this worthwhile charity on the morning of

Saturday 16th May. Contributions of cakes etc clearly labelled Christian Aid can be left in church beforehand or possibly collected during the previous week. Offers of help welcome to Pat Eales or Sue Goddard.

Journeying in Faith with Children, Sunday 7th June

12noon. A time for parents, grandparents and members of the congregation to explore ways of supporting—and learning from—children of all ages in their journey of faith. Light Lunch & Children's activities provided. Please take one of the forms at the back of church and let us know if you're coming.

Summer Concert on Saturday 27th June at 4pm in church there will be a celebratory summer concert, inspired by the legacy of Rex Pogson. Entry is free and generous donations are encouraged to support Myton Hospice and our Peace Garden project. The Peace Garden, established in Rex's memory, will contain a memorial to Geoffrey Studdert-Kennedy, 'Woodbine Willie', the famous Great War Chaplain, who was curate of St Andrew's from 1910-1912—more details are available on a separate leaflet.

Diary for the week 11th - 17th May

Café open Monday - Friday 10am-2pm, Saturday 10am-12noon

Monday

9.00am No Morning Prayer
10.00am Ball of Yarn Knitting & crochet drop-in group
10.30am Art with Aish
6.30pm Community Singers
7.30pm Bell Ringing practice
7.30pm Mystics: William Blake

Tuesday

9.00am Morning Prayer
9.30am Reflective Eucharist
1.00pm Tuesday Lunchtime Concert

Wednesday

9.00am Morning Prayer
12.00pm Midday Eucharist
2.15pm Mothers' Union
5.00pm Young Choristers

Thursday - Ascension Day

9.00am Morning Prayer
7.30pm Ascension Day Choral Eucharist

Friday

9.00am Morning Prayer
10.00am Church Mice
10.00am Big Table Gospel group



Saturday

10.00am Cake & produce stall for Christian Aid

Sunday 17th May

Sixth Sunday after Easter
BikeFest

8.00am BCP Holy Communion
10.30am Choral Eucharist
6.00pm Celtic Evening Prayer

St Andrew's Staff Team

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After the service, please feel free to join us for coffee—a chance for us all to get to know each other better.

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