

Second Sunday of Epiphany 19th January 2025

8.00am BCP Holy Communion

President and preacher: The Rev'd Canon Edmund Newey

10.30am Sung Eucharist

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Preacher: The Reverend Alison Baxter

Deacon of the Liturgy: Tom Nettey

12.30pm Baptism of Isaac Andrew Lee Armsden

6.00pm Choral Evensong

Officiant and preacher The Reverend Canon Edmund Newey

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

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

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.

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; you will find a link to online giving with the offertory hymn.

The Gathering

The president welcomes the congregation and makes any announcements.

Introit: O taste and see, Vaughan Williams

Please stand

Opening Hymn: I 02: Jesus, come, for we invite you

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit

All Amen

The Greeting

The Lord be with you.

All The Lord bless you.

The president offers words of welcome.

Prayer of Preparation

All Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Invitation to confession

The Deacon says

The grace of God has dawned upon the world through our Saviour Jesus Christ, who sacrificed himself for us to purify a people as his own. Let us confess our sins.

All Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you
and against our neighbour
in thought and word and deed,
through negligence, through weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.
We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
who died for us,
forgive us all that is past
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life
to the glory of your name.
Amen

The president says

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

The Gloria we sing together

Glory to God, Glory to God Glory to God in the highest

Glory to God in the Highest and peace to his people on earth Lord God, Heav'nly King Almighty God and Father we worship you, we give you thanks we praise you for your glory. Glory to God, Glory to God Glory to God in the highest.

Lord Jesus Christ,
only son of the Father
Lord God, Lamb of God
you take away the sins of the world
have mercy on us.
You are seated
at the right hand of the Father,
receive our prayer.
Glory to God, Glory to God
Glory to God in the highest

For you alone are the Holy one You alone are the Lord You alone are the most high Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit In the Glory of God the Father Glory to God, Glory to God Glory to God in the highest

The Collect

Let us pray.

A time of quiet is kept.

Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new: transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All Amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

Please sit

Reading

Isaiah 62:1-5

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give.

You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.

You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the Lord delights in you, and your land shall be married.

For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

For the word of the Lord.

For the word of the Lord

All Thanks be to God

Please stand

Gradual Hymn: 97 Christ is our light

Gospel Reading

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (2:1-11)

We sing together Glory to you O Lord.

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no

wine.' And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the lewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.' So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, 'Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.' Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

We sing together **Praise to you, O Christ**.

Please sit

Sermon

The Reverend Alison Baxter

A short period of quiet follows the talk.

The Creed Please stand

All We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,

in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

Please sit or kneel as we are led in prayer

Healing prayer: Solanki, Irene W, George W, Mary S, Jane B, Luci & Sophie, Gillian M, Rita & Noel, Caroline, Dilshad, Lily, Denise, Donald, Alan & Tim, Mary G, Sarah P, Ron G, Marion, Cheryl W, Pauline W, Jane G., Kate F. R.M.Tony.

In memoriam: Byron Caulton

Prayers of Intercession

This response may be used

and at the end

Lord in your mercy

Merciful Father,

All Hear our prayer

All accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

Our Saviour Christ is the Prince of Peace. Of the increase of his government and of peace there shall be no end. The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All and also with you.

The Deacon says

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace. During the peace, the ministers move to the crossing and the people return to their seats.

Offertory Hymn: 104 Songs of thankfulness and praise

A collection plate is available at the back of church or this link will allow you to give to St Andrew's online: givi.ng/1160223

The Preparation of the Table

Please remain standing

Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the splendour, and the majesty; for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.

All All things come from you, and of your own do we give you.

The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Lift up your hearts

All We lift them to the Lord

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

All It is right to give thanks and praise

All honour and praise be yours always and everywhere, mighty creator, ever-living God, through Jesus Christ your only Son our Lord: for at this time we celebrate your glory made present in our midst. In the coming of the magi the King of all the world was revealed to the nations. In the waters of baptism Jesus was revealed as the Christ, the Saviour sent to redeem us. In the water made wine the new creation was revealed at the wedding feast. Poverty was turned to riches, sorrow into joy. Therefore with all the angels of heaven

we lift our voices to proclaim the glory of your name and sing our joyful hymn of praise:

We sing together

All Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

We praise and bless you, loving Father, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; and as we obey his command, send your Holy Spirit, that broken bread and wine outpoured may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends and, taking bread, he praised you. He broke the bread, gave it to them and said: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

The sanctuary bell is rung.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine. Again he praised you, gave it to them and said: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

The sanctuary bell is rung.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did, in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross.

Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation, we proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes in glory.

The Deacon says:

Great is the mystery of faith

We sing together:

All Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Lord of all life, help us to work together for that day when your kingdom comes and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.

Look with favour on your people, gather us in your loving arms and bring us with Mary, Andrew and all the saints to feast at your table in heaven.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father, for ever and ever.

All Amen.

The sanctuary bell is rung. Please sit or kneel

Believing the promises of God, as our Saviour taught us, so we pray

All Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

The president breaks the consecrated bread.

We break the bread of life, and that life is the light of the world.

All God here among us, light in the midst of us, bring us to light and life.

Agnus Dei (Lamb of God)

We sing together

All Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

Invitation to Communion

God's holy gifts for God's holy people.

All Jesus Christ is holy, Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

All are welcome at the Lord's table. Those who are baptized may receive communion as directed by the stewards. If you are not baptized, we would love for you to come forward so we may pray God's blessing over you. If you need a gluten free host, please let the minister know. If you would like to be baptized, we would be delighted to hear from you. Please talk to one of the ministers at the end of the service.

Communion Hymn: 513 From thee all skill and science flow

Anthem: Listen sweet dove, *Ives*

Post Communion Prayers

God of glory,
you nourish us with your Word
who is the bread of life:
fill us with your Holy Spirit
that through us the light of your glory
may shine in all the world.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

All Almighty God,
we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies
to be a living sacrifice.

Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen

The Dismissal

Please stand

Recessional Hymn: 690 Jesus is Lord! Creation's voice proclaims it

During this hymn the ministers process to the back of church.

The Blessing

Christ the Son of God perfect in you the image of his glory and gladden your hearts with the good news of his kingdom;

All Amen.

Conclusion

The Deacon says

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

The ministers depart.

Organ Voluntary

News and Notices

Any item for News & Notices should be with the office by Wednesday, 12 noon.

Byron Caulton Funeral. A funeral service for Byron Caulton will be held at Rainsbrook Crematorium at 3pm on Monday 20th January. Anyone who would like to attend is most welcome and our prayers are especially with Rebecca and Clara in their sudden loss.

All invited to a **Family Wassail Service** at May Blossom Farm Sunday 19 January at 3:30pm. Help us ask God's blessing on our apple trees with bonfire and mulled apple juice. Bring pots and pans to bang to wake up the trees! Book a free parking space here: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/family-wassail-service-at-may-blossom-farm-tickets-1175985206409?aff=oddtdtcreator

Women Mystics: Female Theologians through Christian History. Over the first five months of the year we will be streaming a series of lectures, organised by Sarum College and the Church Times, on Women Mystics. Join us in church on Monday 20th January, 7.30—9pm for the first lecture on Hildegard of Bingen, by Lauren Cole.

Rugby Revive Service of Blessing for New Ministries—Sunday 26th January 6.30pm. We're delighted to host this service for all the churches of Rugby during the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. The preacher will be the Venerable Barry Dugmore, Archdeacon Missioner.

Rex Pogson Lecture. Elizabeth Oldfield will deliver this inaugural annual lecture, established by the Friends of St Andrew's in memory of dear Rex, on Saturday 1st February at 4pm in church, followed by refreshments. Tickets are £10 and £5 for U18s and full

details are available here: https://www.standrewrugby.org.uk/event-details/fully-alive-tending-to-the-soul-in-turbulent-times-the-rex-pogson-lecture-by-elizabeth-oldfield

Eco Tip for the Week Remember to keep a bag for life in your car or in your bag. That way, when you go shopping, you won't need to use a disposable bag!

Green Christian would like to invite you to join the Great British Birdwatch this year on 25th January. We are meeting in the church cafe at 10am for a coffee and cake and then we'll divide up into small groups to record what birds we see in the church gardens, St Andrews Gardens and other places for one hour. We'll then return to the cafe for more coffee and cake!! All welcome to join us. Talk to Joyce if you need more info.

Recycling Initiatives Update. Your seventh box of Candles, Tealights and Candles in Containers has been sent for recycling containing 15.83 Kg meaning a total of 84.14Kg have been prevented from going to landfill so far since collecting started in June 2024, your used ink cartridges are most welcome to provide funds for Church and to date some £1019.30 has been raised - let's see how soon we can make it £2000 the current box is 75% full awaiting more so it can be sent, your milk container tops are welcome and provide funds for a school in Sierra Leone, your used Spectacles are wanted to support the work of the Rugby Rokeby Lions. and don't forget to bring in your used stamps from your received post, Christmas and New Year Cards that can be given to Helen in support of the charity 'Knitted Knockers' supporting women who have had a mastectomy. Thank you for your past support and your continuing support during 2025.

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/

Rosebuds Ladies Group meets on Tuesday 21st January at Satchmo's Corner (opposite church) focus 'Moving into a New Year'!

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Compassionate Communities Community Conversation Wednesday 5th February, 10:30-11:45 Come and engage in our community conversation about 'Do Not Resuscitate CPR:Why, what and who decides?'

Intrigued? These conversations affect many of us and our loved ones at some point in our lives. Dr Chantal Meystre is a palliative medicine consultant and a psychotherapist who leads The Omega Course teaching healthy people to consider their health and care choices. As with most of our community conversations, we can learn much from our discussion with one another. This conversation will then pave the way for her 5 week Omega course which begins in St Andrew's from Friday 7th March.

Omega Course. A course offering a safe space for participants to learn about preparations for our own mortality and how to support others. The course content includes: living life fulfilling your wishes, preparing and planning for the future, Mental Capacity Act, Lasting Power of Attorney, choices for end of life, how to talk to people who are sick or bereaved; as well as topics raised by participants. Have a word with Sharon to find out more.

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Diary for the week 20th—25th January

Monday 9.00am Morning Prayer in the Lady Chapel

10.00am Ball of Yarn knitting & crochet group

10.30am-12.30pm Art Group

11.00am Church Mice Baby & Toddler Stay & Play

6.30pm Community Singers

7.30pm Bell ringing practice New members welcome

7.30pm Women Mystics Talk in the Lady Chapel

Tuesday 9.00am Morning Prayer in the Lady Chapel

9.30am Reflective Eucharist followed by coffee

1.00pm Tuesday Lunchtime Concert

Wednesday 9.00am Morning Prayer in the Lady Chapel

12.00pm Eucharist

5.00pm Young Choristers

Thursday 9.00am Morning Prayer in the Lady Chapel

6.30pm Board games group

7.15pm Choir Practice

Friday 9.00am Morning Prayer in the Lady Chapel

10.00am Big Table Gospel

Saturday 10.00am-12noon Café open

Sunday 26th January

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

10.30am Sung Eucharist

6.30pm Rugby Revive Ecumenical Service

