

St Andrew's Church Bedford

13th April 2025

Palm Sunday

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 contact 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

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. The Quiet Room is available if you need a break-out space – you can still hear the service there.

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 10.00am service

Large print copies are available.

Readings

1st Reading: Philippians 2.5-11

(NT page 152) **Gospel:** Luke 22.14 - end of 23 (NT page 66)



The readings are available to view on our website - the QR code above right will take you directly to the webpage. Page references refer to the pew Bibles, should you wish to follow the readings.

Music

Opening Hymn: NEH 509 All glory, laud and honour

NEH 511 Ride on, ride on Gradual: Offertory: SASP 25 Christ triumphant

Communion: NEH 425 vv.1,2,4 O love how deep

SASP 47 From heaven you came

Lift up your heads, O ye gates - Matthias Anthem: **Final Hymn:** NEH 486 We have a Gospel to proclaim

Allegro marziale - Frank Bridge Voluntary:

Duration: 3 minutes

Please feel free to leave before the end.

In Our Prayers

For our charity partners - WorldVision link with Pajule, Uganda

- Home for Good

- Fmmaus

For Christians across the world as we worship during Holy Week.

The Vicar: The Reverend Canon Lucy Davis

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Day off: Friday

Church Centre Office: Monday to Friday, 9.00am - 5.00pm

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Safeguarding: If you have any safeguarding concerns, please contact the Vicar or the Safeguarding Team safeguarding@standrewsbedford.org

Notices

Easter Services: Details of our Easter worship is available on our website, our e-newsletter and at the back of Church. If you can help with our worship in this most important period of our life of faith, please add your name to the sheets at the back of Church.

Maundy Thursday Foot Washing: There are still spaces available if you would like to take part in the Maundy Thursday foot washing. A sign-up sheet is located at the back of Church.

APCM: Please return your completed electoral roll form today (Sunday13th April) for inclusion on our renewed roll. Being on the roll enables you to vote at our APCM (effectively the AGM of the Church), to be held at 11.30am on Sunday 11th May; please put the date in your diary. At that meeting, we will be electing 6 new members of the PCC and 2 Church Wardens. If you think you might be called into these roles, do speak to Lucy to find out more about what is involved. We are also looking for someone willing to act as PCC secretary. Please prayerfully consider whether you might take on this responsibility.

Urgent prayer request from World Vision: A devastating 7.7 magnitude earthquake has struck Myanmar, leaving hundreds dead and countless families displaced. Children are especially vulnerable, sleeping in the open without basic necessities. Please pray for the affected families and consider donating to support World Vision's efforts at Myanmar Earthquake Appeal | World Vision UK in providing critical aid and hope to those who have lost everything in this disaster.

VE Day: Sunday 11th May at 3.00pm. At St Paul's Church, Bedford. We join with others from across Bedford for a commemorative service marking 80 years since VE Day. Music led by St Andrew's Church Choir.

Roseanne Kinvig Love: You may have heard that Roseanne has been appointed as the new Children and Families' Worker at St Albans Cathedral. We are delighted to see her taking her gifts into this new role, but very sad to say farewell to her from St Andrew's. She promises not to be a stranger, and we get to keep the rest of the Love family! Roseanne's last Sunday with us will be 18th May. Our prayers and blessing go with her.

The Week Ahead

Monday to Saturday

8.30am Morning Prayer. In the Chapel and on Zoom.

5.00pm Evening Prayer (except Saturdays.) On Zoom.

Sunday 13th April - Palm Sunday

8.00am Holy Communion. In Church.

10.00am Palm Procession and Parish Eucharist.

In Church and on YouTube.

6.00pm Stations of the Cross. In Church.

Monday 14th April

10.00am Family Activity Morning. In the Main Hall.

7.45pm Reflective Eucharist. In Church.

Tuesday 15th April

7.45pm Reflective Eucharist. In Church.

Wednesday 16th April

10.30am Holy Communion. In Church.

7.45pm Reflective Eucharist. In Church.

Thursday 17th April - Maundy Thursday

7.30pm Holy Eucharist and footing washing. In Church.

Friday 18th April - Good Friday

10.00am All Age Worship. In Church. Followed by hot cross buns.

12noon Good Friday Reflections. In Church and on YouTube.

2.00pm Last Hour - Liturgy. In Church.

8.00pm Compline. On Zoom.

Saturday 19th April - Easter Eve

9.00pm Vigil and Service of First Light.

Starting in the Hall and moving into Church.

Sunday 20th April - Easter Day

8.00am Holy Eucharist. In Church.

10.00am All Age Eucharist. In Church and on YouTube.

6.00pm BCP Evening Prayer. In Church.

Key dates for the month ahead are listed on the sheet available at the back of Church. A full listing of what's on at St Andrew's can be found on our website standrewsbedford.org under 'Calendar.'

