

Welcome to Worship

Trinity 15

8th September 2024

Welcome to St Andrew's

If you are a visitor or a newcomer, please introduce yourself. Before worship, the offering plate, Gift Aid envelopes and the Card Reader are opposite the entrance. If you would like a gluten free wafer, please let the welcomer know.

We serve tea and coffee in the Church after the 10.00am service, it's a good time to get to know people.

Today's Services:

8.00am Holy Communion

10.00am Parish Communion

Hymn: 4 New every morning

Collect:

God, who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit upon your Church in the burning fire of your love: grant that your people may be fervent in the fellowship of the gospel that, always abiding in you, they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service; 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. **Amen.**

First Reading:

Isaiah 35:4-7a

Say to those who are of a fearful heart, "Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God, He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you." ⁵Then the eyes of the blind

shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf shall be opened; ⁶ then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness and streams in the desert; ⁷ the burning sand shall become a pool and the thirsty ground springs of water; the haunt of jackals shall become a swamp; the grass shall become reeds and rushes.

Hymn: **321** You are the Christ

Gospel

Mark 7:24-end

²⁴ From there he set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, ²⁵ but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. ²⁶ Now the woman was a gentile, of Syrophenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. ²⁷ He said to her, "Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." ²⁸ But she answered him, "Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs." ²⁹ Then he said to her, "For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter." ³⁰ And when she went home, she found the child lying on the bed and the demon gone.

³¹ Then he returned from the region of Tyre and went by way of Sidon toward the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. ³² They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech, and they begged him to lay his hand on him. ³³ He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. ³⁴ Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." ³⁵ And his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. ³⁶ Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one, but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. ³⁷ They were astounded beyond measure, saying, "He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak."

Sermon: Revd Phil Smith

Hymns: 748 O Jesus I have promised
489 From heaven you came

4.00pm Messy Church

Announcements

WORSHIP ON SUNDAY AFTERNOON / EVENING:

8 th September	4.00pm	Messy Church
15 th September	4.00pm	Simply Worship
22 nd September	4.00pm	Simply Worship
29 th September	4.00pm	River – Simply Communion

SIMPLY WORSHIP: Will be held at 4.00pm on Sunday 15th and 22nd September, and Sunday 6th October. We will be studying the Book of Ruth through its main characters:

15th September – Naomi, 22nd September – Boaz, 6th October - Ruth

ANDREW AND LISA PEART: Last Sunday, we heard about the remarkable work Andrew and Lisa Peart are doing in Santa Cruz, Bolivia. Copies of their latest Prayer Letter are available in church. Andrew mentioned the shortfall in contributions that CMS receives to pay for their support – in effect their salary. St Andrew's makes an annual donation to CMS for them, but regular individual donations, however small, would also be most welcome. You can set up a Direct Debit at churchmissionsociety.org/donate (scroll down to 'Support individuals'). Or take a form from the Take 5 noticeboard.

SUMMER MUSIC SERIES: Tea and Coffee available from 12 noon. Please feel free to bring your lunch. Concerts 12.30pm - 1.15pm.

1350th CELEBRATIONS: Our 1350th celebratory year is drawing ever closer. The Opening Celebratory Weekend will be 12th and 13th October. We hope you have the date firmly in your diaries. Please complete the invitation reply slip so that we can begin to think about catering for the 2 days. You are encouraged to invite family and friends to share in this historical moment in the life of our church. If you haven't got an invitation and flyer they can be downloaded from the website or picked up from the back of church. As you can see from the leaflet there will be a lot going on during the year and we are looking for help for a range of different tasks and activities. Please look at the list of events and if you would like to be involved speak to David or Linda. These will all be time limited so don't feel that if you offer to do something you will have to do it forever!!!. Please do ask among your friends too, they may like to be involved, we would like the community of Corbridge to help make the Celebratory year really special.

LIZ WOOD: Liz's funeral will take place on Tuesday 10th September at 2.00pm. Please hold her family in your prayers.

METHODIST SERVICE: You are warmly invited to attend the Methodist service on Thursday 12 September at 10.00am. Their speaker is Paul Waugh from Newcastle Street Pastors.

INVITATION: Greg and Debbie from our congregation are getting married on Saturday 14th September at 12.30. They would be delighted if members of the congregation came to the service in church.

THE REV'D BARBARA McNAMARA: Next Sunday at 10.00am Barbara will celebrate the 30th Anniversary of her ordination to the Priesthood. The preacher will be the Rev'd Gill Alexander. There will be a lunch afterwards at the Community Hub. If you would like to attend the lunch please sign the form at the back of church. Contributions to food will be most welcome; please sign the sheet.

HARVEST THANKSGIVING: Harvest Thanksgiving will be celebrated on Sunday 22nd September at 8.00am and 10.00am. We would really appreciate items for the foodbank. Fresh produce will be taken to Burn Brae Lodge and Charlotte Straker. Please bring your gifts to church on the Sunday morning. Thank you.

CHURCH GUIDING: There will be a session in church on Monday 16th September at 10.30am for all those interested in helping as church guides. Do come along and find out what it entails – you would always be working with someone else and there will be information sheets to support the tours. If you would like to learn more about this please speak to Michael Thompson.

PERSEPECTIVES: Breakfast – Conversation – Food for thought, A new season of Men's Breakfasts will commence on Saturday 28th September from 8.30am to 10.00am in the Prior's Hall at Hexham Abbey. The cost for a cooked English breakfast is £14.00. Their speaker is Dave Johnson, who is a youth work co-ordinator in the parishes of south-east Northumberland. See our website for further information: www.perspectivescvfm.org.uk

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL: The Festival will be held from Friday 29th November to Tuesday 3rd December. Forms will be available next week. We would like to have 135 trees – families or individuals may enter.

CHRISTMAS PARTY: Saturday 14th December in the hub, time to be confirmed. We will have a small committee to arrange this event if you are able to help please have a conversation with Linda. Thanks.

Pray every day



'By prayer and petition with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God'

- Sunday** PCC Minute Secretary Jo Eldridge and the Electoral Roll Officer, Maureen Davison.
For adult education, colleges and universities and particularly for Cambian College at Dilston Carrsfield, The Crofts, Hallbankgate
- Monday** The stewardship of money, Cliff our treasurer, all those who help count the money. Corbridge Community Partnership and the local Trader's group – Visit Corbridge Crofts Avenue, Crofts Close, Carham Close, Crofts Way
- Tuesday** Frances Stride, our Parish Administrator.
For the uniformed organisations and all who lead them. Beech Drive, Woodside Avenue.
- Wednesday** The Church's work with young people. Messy Church, the children and parents, and the team who plan and prepare.
Corbridge Health Centre, doctors, nurses and ancillary staff.
Jameson Drive, Cragside, Siskin Drive, Bilberry Drive.

Thursday For the Choir and our director of Music- Colin Williams.
For the dental practices and the physiotherapists.
Aydon Road, Deadridge Lane, Milkwell Lane, Aydon Estate.

Friday For our organists- Marc Bryant and John Roper.
Hexham General Hospital, medical and support staff and patients.
Stanegate Manor and Roman Fields.

Saturday The Welcome Ministry, the development of our outreach to newcomers and visitors.
Those who regularly come into church to light a candle and say a prayer.
The care of the elderly and sick in their own homes.
Carers and good neighbours.
St Helen's Lane, Milkwell Estate, Synclen Avenue.

The St Andrew's 1350th Prayer

God of the ages, we praise you for your faithfulness to us over 1350 years here in Corbridge. As we rejoice in our foundation by St Wilfrid, and are inspired by your holy apostle St Andrew, make us as a city set on a hill, whose light cannot be hidden, the light of your glory in the face of Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

We pray for the sick, especially Carolyn Holmes, Martha Coan, Evelyn Charlton, Luna Medina Craig, Mark Stephenson, Joyce Walker, David Andrews, Joan Chapman, Peter Anderson, Elsie Fletcher, Claire Robson, David Hall, Bobbie Middleton, and Elliott Ward.

We give thanks for the life of: Freda Lunny, Liz Wood, Pat Henderson and Margaret Willoughby.

Diary

Tuesday		10th September
9.00am	First School Assembly	
2.00pm	Funeral - Liz Wood	
7.00pm	Messy Church Planning	
Wednesday		11th September
10.00am	Holy Communion	
2.00pm	Tea and Chat	
Thursday		12th September
10.00am	Methodist Service	
2.45pm	Prayer Group	
4.00pm	Home Group	
Friday		13th September
12.30pm	Lunchtime Music – Organ Recital: Marc Bryant	
7.00pm	Choir Practice	
Saturday		14th September
12.30pm	Wedding – Greg and Debbie	
Trinity 16		15th September
10.00am	Parish Communion – 30 th Anniversary of Revd Barbara McNamara’s Priesting followed by cake and fizz	
2.30pm	Baptism at Healey	
4.00pm	Simply Worship	
5.00pm	Holy Communion at Healey	

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