

# St Andrew's, Reading Street

One family, with Christ at the centre, welcoming all!

9th November 2025 Remembrance Sunday

#### Verse of the Week:

"The Lord is my strength and my song; he has given me victory." Exodus 15:2a

## "Operation Christmas Child" - Today's the Day!

Last year we delivered 31 shoe boxes for this wonderful cause, it would be fantastic if we could do even more this year. All filled shoeboxes and any donations need to be into church today. Thank you.

Sharon Gough

# Card Afternoon Workshop Mon. 10<sup>th</sup> November 2.00-4.00pm

We are meeting tomorrow for an afternoon of Food, Fun and Friendship while we recycle cards to replenish our stocks in aid of Church Funds, no experience necessary. Please sign the list at the back of the Church if you are hoping to attend. All welcome.

#### **YPaSTA**

YPaSTA for 11-18 year olds meets on Tuesday 11 $^{\rm th}$  November from 7-8pm in the Upper Room.

# **Friendship Lunch**

The next Friendship lunch will be held on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2025 at the Queens Road Baptist Church hall at 12.00 for 12.30 pm start. All welcome; if interested, please call Janet Porter on 865178, or notify the office.

#### **Processional**

CP 537 "O God, our help in ages past..."

#### Collect

God, our refuge and strength, bring near the day when wars shall cease and poverty and pain shall end, that earth may know the peace of heaven through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

**Readings** Job 19: 23-27.

p. 523 read by the Scouts

**Gradual** CP 358 "O God of earth and altar..."

**Gospel** Luke 20: 27-38. p. 1055

**Intercessions** led by a uniformed leader.

**Offertory** CP 413 "Eternal Father, strong to save..."

#### **Post Communion Prayer**

God of peace,

whose Son Jesus Christ proclaimed the kingdom and restored the broken to wholeness of life: look with compassion on the anguish of the world,

and by your healing power

make whole both people and nations;

through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

Recessional CP 355 "I vow to thee, my country ..."

#### Please remember in your prayers

John Cornish.

#### The Departed:

Sandra Foster.

#### From the Book of Remembrance

Sylvia Kirkpatrick, James Morrison, Jean Morrison, Charles Newman.

#### This Week: Monday 10th Nov to Sunday 16th Nov.

Tuesday 10.30 am Philip's Bible Study.

7:30 pm Michael's Zoom Bible Study.

Wednesday 9.30 am Toddler Group.

1.45 pm Women's Group.

#### **Dates for your Diary:**

Mon 10<sup>th</sup> Nov. Card workshop, 2.00 – 4.00 pm.

Tue 11<sup>th</sup> Nov. YPaSTA meeting at 7.00 pm in Upper Room.

Tue 18<sup>th</sup> Nov. Friendship Lunch at Queens Road Baptist Hall: 12.00 start.

Thu 4<sup>th</sup> Dec. 'Write Away' creative writing group: 10.00 to 12.00 midday.

Mon 8<sup>th</sup> Dec. Holly Wreath workshop.

Wed 10<sup>th</sup> Dec. Christmas Celebration concert: 2.30 pm in church.

Sat 13<sup>th</sup> Dec. St Andrew's Christmas Fayre.

Thu 18<sup>th</sup> Dec. Christmas Coffee Morning - 10.30am to 12.00 pm.

### **Chair Memorial plaques**

We are preparing to order memorial plaques for the chairs in the church. If anyone would like a loved one to be remembered in this way, please contact the office. A donation of £50 is suggested.

#### **Books for Advent**

- \*Sing in Exultation a Christmas devotional exploring our favourite carols for £4.
- \*The Christmas Story through the Bible- an advent book for families to understand how the birth of Christ is a climactic event in a larger story -£5 Both are available from Julian or Hilary Hills.

### **Murder Mystery**

Many thanks go to the team who produced the Murder-Mystery play, and we are pleased to report the event has raised just over £700 for church funds.

### **Holly Wreath workshop**

The Holly Wreath workshop will take place in St Andrew's Community Hall on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2025 from 2.00 to 4.30 pm, and is priced at £23 per person. If you wish to take part, please add your name and phone number to the list on display in the entrance hall by the Office.

#### **Christmas Celebration concert**

There will be a Christmas Celebration concert at 2.30 pm on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2025 in the church, organised by Liz Diggens, and this will be a programme of readings, carols and songs, and community carols hosted by the Serenaders choir.

### **Christmas Coffee Morning**

There will be a Christmas Coffee Morning and Bring and Buy on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December from 10.30-12.00pm at the home of Phil and Di Springett in aid of Mission Action. All welcome to come!

### **Prayer Diary**

The November Prayer diary is available from the back of the church.

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