



Services Today

A very warm welcome to any visitors or newcomers here today
Please make yourselves known after the service, or fill in one of the green welcome cards.

If you would like to revisit a sermon some of them are available on the website under 'Worship'.

8.00 am. HOLY COMMUNION (BCP)

10.00 am. SUNG EUCHARIST (CW). There will be a retiring collection for Christian Aid after this service.

Collect Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: grant that, as by your grace going before us you put into our minds good desires, so by your continual help we may bring them to good effect; through Jesus Christ our risen Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

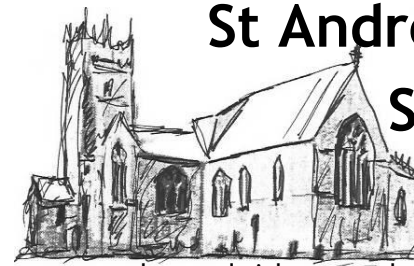
Hymns: 157, Psalm 31 vv1-5, 17-18; 148, 293, 150.

Readings: Acts ch7 vv55-60, John ch14 vv1-14.

Psalm 31

- 1 To you Lord have I | come for | shelter:
let me | never · be | put to | shame.
- 2 O deliver me | in your | righteousness:
incline your ear to me | and be | swift to | save me.
- 3 Be for me a rock of refuge a fortress | to de| fend me:
for you are my | high rock | and my | stronghold.
- 4 Lead me and guide me for your | name's | sake:
bring me out of the net that they have secretly
laid for me * for | you | are my | strength.
- 5 Into your hands I com| mit my | spirit:
you will redeem me | O Lord | God of | truth.
- 17 All my days are | in your | hand:
O deliver me from the power of my | enemies · ☺
and | from my | persecutors.
- 18 Make your face to shine up| on your | servant:
and save me | for your | mercy's | sake.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning is now and shall be for ever. Amen.



St Andrew's Church Soham

14 May 2017

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

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*We aim, through our Christian faith, to actively share the love of God
in our parish and in the wider community.*

TODAY

3 pm Wicken Sunday Tea for Christian Aid.
Tea with Bring and Buy at the Methodist Chapel.

This is Christian Aid Week



- Tuesday, 16** 1 pm Little Fishes.
7 pm Young Adults meet at Café Skylark.
7.30 pm PCC.
- Wednesday, 17** 1.30 - 4 pm Creative Minds.
- Thursday, 18** 10 am Holy Communion followed by coffee.
7.15 Millbrook House, Mothers' Union.
- Friday, 19** 7 pm Youth Group.
- Saturday, 20** 10 am Bread Basket.

Next Sunday

- 8 am Holy Communion (BCP).
10 am All Age Eucharist.
6.30 pm Quiet Service.

May

- Thursday, 25** 7.30 pm Taize Service for Ascension Day, and to launch our "Focus on Prayer".

Please remember in your prayers:



**Thursday, 18 May
Millbrook House, 7.15**

We will be joined by Alice Leadbetter, who completed the London Marathon in April running to support the work of Mothers' Union. She will be sharing her reasons for running and why she also set a Lent Challenge for Youth Groups, Schools, and individuals to give up screen time and read instead, to highlight Mothers' Union literacy programmes. So please come along and support her; she's been a real ambassador for Mothers' Union. Phone no. for the evening 07434 909 957.

Love and Blessings to you all
Jan x

The Sick:

Father,
by the power of your Spirit you have filled the hearts of your faithful people with gifts of love for one another.
Hear the prayers we offer for our relatives and friends. Give them health of mind and body that they may be able to do your will with love.
We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

The Departed:

Pamela Duffield,
Patrick "Paddy" Walsh.



Welcome to

Logan

who is being baptised today.

Focus on Prayer

St Andrew's Church from 25 May 'til 2 June and includes opportunities for 1:1 sessions with a prayer guide. If you are interested in joining in, please take a leaflet, or speak to Eleanor (725948).

Hand towels for the vestry

If anyone has a spare hand towel they could donate please speak to Judith.

Our young people need you!

In line with our church's aim:

'through our Christian faith, to actively share the love of God in our parish and in the wider community',

children's and youth work at and around St. Andrew's is growing.

The number of young people involved in activities such as the Friday night youth group, the Soham Village College Student Well-being Group, or the young adults group for anyone aged 15+ that meets at Café Skylark every other Tuesday night is on the increase, unfortunately the number of helpers, who kindly and generously volunteer their time to make these activities happen, is not.

Often our young people just need someone to sit and listen to them; it does not matter how old or young you are. You do not have to be able to run around, play hide and seek, or be an expert art and crafts enthusiast either.

Your presence is what matters!

If you would like to find out more about what's going on, or how you might be able to help, please contact me on 727749 or send me an email:

claudia@agbs.demon.co.uk.

I look forward to hearing from you!

Claudia

Church Fete

**Saturday 10 June
10 am - noon**

We need your help to make it work. There is a list at the back of church to sign up to help with stalls and games, or if you have any good ideas yourself feel free to add them. We'll also need donations of cakes, plants, tombola prizes and any spare change you might have to go in a guessing game.

For more information contact Alison Evans 07738 877765.

Mothers' Union will be running a Craft Stall. We know there are many talented crafts people in our midst; would you be willing to make us something to sell on our stall? Thank you in grateful anticipation.

Calling all musicians!

To launch our "Focus on Prayer" we will be holding a Taize-style service on the evening of Thursday 25 May and would like to hear from any musicians interested in forming a small music group to play for this. The music will be fairly simple, but musicians will need to be good sight-readers as rehearsal time will be limited. For more information and to sign up please contact Ruth (725152 / ruthdennigan@talktalk.net).