



St Andrew's Psalter Lane Church

Open Hearts, Open Minds -
Exploring the Mystery of God

Sunday 15th June

Trinity

10.30 am Morning Worship Chris Sissons

Today is MHA Sunday.

Please give generously in the donation envelopes, and if you are a tax-payer fill in the Gift Aid form to increase your donation by 25% at no cost to yourself.

Collect Holy God,
faithful and unchanging:
enlarge our minds with the knowledge of your truth,
and draw us more deeply into the mystery of your love,
that we may truly worship you,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Hymns StF 726 Come to us, Creative Spirit
StF 397 The Spirit lives to set us free (1 verse & chorus)
H&P 52 O God thou art the Father
H&P 695 I bind unto myself today
StF 678 Come, all who look to Christ today

Readings Proverbs 8. 1 – 4; 22 – 31
John 16. 12 - 15

Skills Audit Meeting after the service

There will be a **church meeting** at the end of the service. This will be a follow up to the Skills questionnaire with a view to trying to find people to help with some of the tasks and fill unfilled roles. Please be prepared to stay a while after/during the service.

Taking Place Today - Social walks at Longshaw

Emma Handy will be leading walks on the Longshaw Estate. Meet in the car park by the visitors' centre. At 2pm there will be a short walk of just under 2 miles, then time together in the cafe. And at 3:30pm there will be a longer walk of just over 4 miles

NEXT SUNDAY

Sunday 22nd June

First Sunday after Trinity

10.30am Holy Communion Rev Canon Cheryl Collins

Please remember all those who are in need of our prayers

We pray for those with health concerns: Pam Frost, Q Ackom-Mensah, Helen Mannion (Barbara and John Booler's daughter), Tom Reavey, Hilary Jowett, Mark Stone, Blanca and Fiona, Maggie and Pete, May, Jan Birch, Hanna, Rodney and Marilyn Godber.

Please pray for lasting peace, healing and the restoration of communities in Gaza and Israel.

NEXT WEEK

Monday 10.00 am – 12 noon Knit and Natter Group in Room 1, Shirley House.

Everyone welcome to come and knit, sew, craft or just chat and enjoy a drink and a slice of cake

7.30 pm - Artificial Intelligence and a Religious Response - Shirley House Interfaith Centre and online

Tuesday 2.00 to 4.00 pm The Tuesday Café in Room 1, Shirley House

The café is for those living at home with memory loss and their carers, and older people living alone.

Hot drinks and cakes, music, games, crafts and more. For further information ring the church office (0114 2678289) or email office@standrewspalterlane.org.uk

7.30 pm Worship Planning Meeting in Shirley House, Room 3

Wednesday 10.30 am Wednesday Worship in Church

SAPLC NOTICES

Lay Worker for Hospitality, Pastoral Care and Children.

We are delighted that Sophie Peel-Yates has been appointed as Lay Worker for Hospitality, Pastoral Care and Children. Sophie has a huge amount of experience working with people of all ages and we very much look forward to working with her. If you don't already know Sophie, please introduce yourself to her. We hope that Sophie will start in the role in August and you will be kept informed about this.

Christian Aid

A big thank you to everyone who participated in the distribution and collection of envelopes for all your effort and contributions made during Christian Aid Week. Our total of £2,490 (plus about £350 Gift Aid) is excellent, though not quite as spectacular as last year! Please click onto the link **[Thank you for supporting Christian Aid Week 2025](#)** to see what else has happened in Yorkshire.

Confirmation

We are delighted that David King is to be confirmed at 6.00 pm on **Sunday 29th June** at All Saint's Ecclesall. Please come along to support David.

Sponsorship needed please!

My partner Tom Reavey, for whom you have prayed since his cancer diagnosis, is hoping to give something back by raising money on the Big Hike on 14 June (13 miles). He has a sponsorship page at <https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/page/toms-big-hike-20>

But in case you are not an on-line donation fan, I will bring some sponsorship forms to church. You can sponsor for the whole walk, or for a particular mile.

His son Jack is also hiking, and I'm marshalling. Thank you in anticipation.

Anne Hollows

Help needed – a message from Anne Hollows

Dear friends

Most of you will have seen the newcomers, Sarah Mer Mach and her daughters Hannah, Nya Pal, Nya Mal and baby Nya Goa Peter. Thank you all for the welcome you have given and the interest you have shown.

They are asylum seekers and come from South Sudan, after a long journey through North Africa and Europe. The family live on Rydal Road, just off Abbeydale Road. The little ones attend Holt House and Carter Knowle schools. Hannah now has a place at Mercia School and I've been fortunate to secure a grant from Sheffield City Council towards her uniform. I've also confirmed free school lunches. The baby is now registered and I'm hoping to get mum and baby on track with health visiting etc.

Sarah is keen to have all the girls baptised, and Joy Rulton has arranged to visit on Monday to discuss this. It would be great to have some help in all this. What would be really useful is as follows:

1. Lifts to church and back. I have a car seat for a baby but in 3 weeks I'll need a bigger one for Nora (my granddaughter). As it is, I can't fit them all in on a Sunday so it requires 2 trips each way.
 2. I'm sure they would love to come to the church social on the 14th. I can't fetch and carry as I'm involved in the Cancer Research big hike that day. So again a volunteer would be needed.
 3. Hannah (and possibly the little ones) would really benefit with some help in reading support. Hannah hasn't really grasped the idea of reading a book.
 4. Thank you to the people who have volunteered to support Hannah's learning over the summer. But the long summer holidays will be hard to manage. Again, any ideas for activities will be welcome.
 5. I'm planning to pop into JoyBank to try to get some toys for the younger ones but if anyone has anything it would be great.
- Any ideas and thoughts would be very welcome. After 25 June I'm going to be pretty occupied looking after my granddaughter for 3 weeks as Caitlin's work schedule is very heavy. So it will be impossible for me to visit most days as at present.
- Thank you in hope! Anne

Artificial Intelligence and a Religious Response

Shirley House Interfaith Centre and Online, Monday 16th June at 7.30 pm

Revd Dr Andi Phillips (Unitarian Minister and former engineering academic) will explore the relationship of artificial intelligence with human values and with issues of potential concern for religious and spiritual people. Everyone welcome, of all faiths or none.

Green Box

Sheffield Energy Hub Opening 23rd June - Sheffield Community Energy, South Yorkshire Climate Alliance, Sheffield City Council and a number of other private, public and third sector bodies are working together to open up a one-stop shop in a prime position on Cambridge Street in the city centre to provide information on sustainable energy, efficiency and grant.

Eco Tip - June: Personal

Move away from Microbeads – Stop using body scrubs, facewashes and toothpastes laced with microbeads. These tiny, plastic balls are so small they sail straight through filtration systems and end up in our oceans and fresh waterways – 8 trillion a day, according to scientists.

OTHER NOTICES

Thriving Families - 16 June 2025

Join us on **Monday 16 June** (10am – 2.15pm) for a free online event exploring ministry with children under 5 years. How do we shape what we do in churches so that our youngest children thrive and their faith flourishes? Find out more and book

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/thriving-families-tickets-1348093105769?aff=oddtcreator>

The National Churches Survey: giving every church a voice

The National Churches Trust is carrying out a survey to help politicians, the media, and the wider public better understand the challenges churches, like ours, face and to highlight the vital work they do.

If you work or volunteer at a church they want to hear from you. Your response will provide essential evidence to build a clearer picture, so that together we can address some of the biggest challenges facing churches and help ensure their future. To fill in the survey go to

<https://www.nationalchurchestrust.org/survey>. The survey **will close on Monday 30 June**.

Holberry – Saturday 21st June

This new play by David Price, author of *Sheffield Troublemakers*, will be performed as a dramatised play reading at Upper Chapel, Norfolk Street, S1 2JD. The performance will begin at 7pm and entry is free. No tickets are required but there will be a retiring collection in aid of the two churches involved in this production. The play is being performed on the anniversary of Holberry's death in York Castle on 21st June 1842.

The Migration Matters Festival 20-28 June

The festival's central aim is to bring together all the people of the city, for all Sheffielders to recognise each other, and to see people not for the labels that divide us, but for the unique talents and skills that make us who we are.

For full information and programme go to <https://www.migrationmattersfestival.co.uk/>

Teaching the Lord's Prayer across the North of England

Archbishop of York Stephen Cottrell is to visit all 12 dioceses in the Northern Province of the Church of England where he will be speaking and sharing the importance and relevance of the Lord's Prayer to our world today. The Archbishop will be in Sheffield on **Wednesday 25th June** at Sheffield Cathedral, 7:0 pm - 9:00pm. There will also be a collective gathering on **10 October 2025**. This will be an invitation for all churches, schools and individuals from across the North of England to come together to say the Lord's Prayer as one.

Christian Aid Night Hike

The 2025 Sheffield Night Hike will be on **Saturday 5 July 2025**. Starting from Hathersage Methodist Church, Hope Valley, S32 1BB, with check-in from 7:30 pm and walk start at about 8:00 pm.

The route is about 9 miles from early evening to midnight. If you would like to walk in 2025, see details and Eventbrite registration below:

<https://sheffieldnighthike.org.uk/><https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2025-sheffield-night-hike-for-christian-aid-registration-1298173906099>

Calling Justice Seekers!

An "Act Now, Change Forever" mass lobby of Parliament is being planned for **Wednesday 9 July**. It is organised by the UK Climate Coalition and supported by all the major NGOs and bodies such as South Yorkshire Climate Alliance. The aim is to remind MPs that the vast majority of people in the UK are looking to them for leadership on climate change. Are you, or someone from your church, ready, with others from your constituency, to arrange to meet your MP in Westminster?

Register [here](#). **Please let Jenny Carpenter (email: jennyc106@btinternet.co.uk) know your name and your Parliamentary constituency if you intend going in person.** It would be great if each of the South Yorkshire MPs received a delegation calling for vital funding to communities hit hardest by climate change; reduction in energy bills; secure transition to green jobs; a fairer future for all; restoration of biodiversity. Eco churches especially should be rising to this challenge!

Jenny Carpenter (Justice Seekers)

Foodbank and Baby Basics

The Foodbank at Firvale really appreciate us and tell us what a difference we make. Please bring your badly-needed donations to Church on Sunday mornings from 10.30 am, or to the Church Office on Thursday mornings. If you would like to give money, it can be sent online via <https://localgiving.org/charity/firvalefoodbank/>. Or, Joe Dey can pass on a cheque made out to St Cuthbert's (write Fir Vale Food Bank on the back of the envelope)

Baby Basics - Donations can be left in Church on Sunday mornings, or in the Church Office on Thursday mornings. See a full list of what is required at their **new website address**

[baby-basics.org.uk/Sheffield](https://www.baby-basics.org.uk/Sheffield) or their Facebook page

<https://www.facebook.com/babybasicssheffield/>

If you are worried, isolated or just need to chat to someone from the church, please call Revd Joy Rulton: mobile 07816 315 499 or email joy.rulton@methodist-church.org.uk

Emergency calls only on Saturday, please, as it's Joy's day off