



## St Andrew's Psalter Lane Church

Open Hearts, Open Minds -  
Exploring the Mystery of God

# Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> June      First Sunday after Trinity 10.30 am Holy Communion

**Rev Canon Cheryl Collins**

<b>Collect</b>	God of truth, help us to keep your law of love and to walk in the ways of wisdom, that we may find true life in Jesus Christ your Son.	
<b>Hymns</b>	StF 685	In Christ there is no east or west
	StF 397	The Spirit lives to set us free (1 verse & chorus)
	StF 615	Let love be real
	StF 693	Beauty for brokenness
	StF 610:	Best of all is God is with us
<b>Readings</b>	Galatians 3.23-end Luke 8. 26-39	

***The Nether Edge neighbourhood Group Farmer's Market  
is taking place today at Nether Edge crossroads.***

## NEXT SUNDAY

# Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> June      Second Sunday after Trinity 10.30am      All Age Worship      Judith Roberts

**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 Booter'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

<b>Monday</b>	<b>10.00 am – 12 noon</b>	<b>Knit and Natter Group in Room 1, Shirley House.</b>
Everyone welcome to come and knit, sew, craft or just chat and enjoy a drink and a slice of cake		
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>2.00 to 4.00 pm</b>	<b>The Tuesday Café in Room 1, Shirley House</b>
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 <a href="mailto:office@standrewspsalterlane.org.uk">office@standrewspsalterlane.org.uk</a>		
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>10.30 am</b>	<b>Wednesday Worship in Church</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>7.30 pm</b>	<b>Sacred Space - A Contemplative Service for the Soul.</b>

# SAPLC NOTICES

## A Sacred Space – A Contemplative Service for the Soul

For those seeking meaning, nurture, and spiritual sustenance amidst the demands and challenges of life, Sacred Space offers you an invitation and gentle nudge to come along.

Held on the last Thursday of each month at 7:30pm, this hour-long contemplative service weaves together music, poetry, readings, silence, and reflection. It's a space for stillness, depth, and presence—open to anyone longing for connection beyond the noise.

Whether you're a church goer or not, you are warmly welcome to come as you are, and simply rest and restore yourself in this grounding space.

Next gathering: Thursday 26th June '25, theme: 'Only Kindness Matters'.

## De-cluttering the Church - Lost Property and Jigsaws

**Lost property** Could we ask everyone to take a look at the lost property basket in the narthex. There's a lot of items there including books. Also, there are a number of water bottles in the lost property in Shirley House office!

**Jigsaws** There are a lot of jigsaws which used to be the jigsaw library. They will be on a table in the narthex on Sunday – please take any you are interested in - but please note that **we do not want them back!**

## 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.

## 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.

## 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. 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.

3. 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.

4. 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

### **Big Hike Sponsorship thanks!**

Tom Reavey would like to thank everyone at SAPLC who sponsored him for the Big Hike which he completed on 14 June. He says "It turned out to be a very well designed course which packed a full 13 miles into a small area (Bakewell, Edensor, Chatsworth, Rowsley, Haddon and back to Bakewell). The terrain was very varied and surprisingly strenuous (I'm very stiff as a result). The conditions were good but would have been better if it was a little cooler.

The whole event was extremely well organised and seemed to be enjoyed by all participants.

Cancer Research UK run a similar event every couple of weeks. They are spread around the country (<https://www.cancerresearchuk.org/get-involved/find-an-event/big-hike>) so I can recommend it if you are interested in an event near you.

Thanks again. Tom

PS. With Gift Aid included my total is now over £970"

### **Green Box**

#### **The time is now for Sheffield!**

This is how the scene was set for a fantastic site visit exploring the city's net zero offer, hosted by the Cities' Commission for Climate Investment, known as 3Ci, in partnership with the Council. Guests from the private finance and consultancy sectors viewed two huge potential opportunities for sustainable regeneration: Gleadless Valley (which featured in 3Ci's Net Zero Neighbourhood prospectus, launched at COP28) and Moorfoot City Centre. Gleadless Valley is entering a period of regeneration, offering investors opportunities in housing retrofit, energy generation and sustainable travel. Moorfoot is in the heart of the city centre, and has been identified by Sheffield City Council as one of a number of catalyst centres to spur regeneration. Discussions also included opportunities for investment in housing, transport, and climate action.

#### **Eco Tip - June: Personal**

**Screen your sunscreen:** -shop for sunscreen that's free of oxybenzone and octinoxate, two reef-killing chemicals that make up part of the 6,000 tons of sunscreen that damage coral reefs each year. Instead look for mineral sunscreen featuring titanium oxide or zinc oxide, and the words "reef safe" on the label.

## **OTHER NOTICES**

### **Appeal for pre-loved laptops...**

Revd Jonathan Gichaara is appealing for pre-loved (pre-used) laptops, tablets and smartphones for use in the local computer class in Mituntu Vocational Training Centre in Kenya.

He says "When I was in Kenya last, I found an entire class of about 15 students congested around a single computer. The instructor had a hard time teaching everyone with a single gadget.

My wife Elizabeth and I are returning to Kenya **at the beginning of July** and would be happy to share those communication gadgets with those students.

We would request the donors to clean their items before sending them to me. Alternatively, you could drop your item at the District Office in Sheffield (Chapel Walk).

I wish to acknowledge with gratitude the previous help with the same gadgets which I was able to give to students reporting to the university.

Many thanks for your consideration."

Rev Jonathan Gichaara PhD, 20 Shardlow Gardens, Bessacarr, Doncaster DN4 6UB

**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**.

### **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 - Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> June - 7-9pm**

One Week until The Lord's Prayer Tour Comes to Sheffield Cathedral! Join the Archbishop of York for an evening of prayer, reflection, and inspiration at Sheffield Cathedral.

Have you explored how The Lord's Prayer shapes not only the way we pray, but the way we live? Whether you are familiar with the prayer or curious about its meaning, come and join the Archbishop of York as part of a series of events across the North of England.

The event will feature music, film and a powerful teaching session led by the Archbishop of York, Stephen Cottrell. There will also be an opportunity for a Q&A, offering a chance to reflect and ask questions.

### **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](mailto: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** 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](mailto:joy.rulton@methodist-church.org.uk)**

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