

St Andrew's Church
Sunday 26th October 2025
Bible Sunday
Family Service

*Our collection today
will go to the ...*



Collect for the Ninetieth Sunday after Trinity

Faithful Lord, whose steadfast love never ceases and whose mercies never come to an end: grant us the grace to trust you and to receive the gifts of your love, new every morning in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Message from Richard

Today's Bible reading is Psalm 119 vv 129 - 136

Psalm 119 verse 129 begins with, 'Your statutes are wonderful.' which made me wonder the extent to which we find the word of God wonderful. Do we get excited about it and about what God is saying to you and me through it?

This is a deep appreciation for the wisdom and beauty in God's word. I am sure many people have a Bible on a shelf or hidden away in a cupboard. For them it is just another book. But for the Christian, this book is supernatural.

I have been reading books by Simon Tolkien recently, grandson of J. R. R. Tolkien. There were parts of those books where it would have been helpful to have had the author with me to explain some of the text. When I open the pages of the Bible I do have the Author with me and I can ask the Author to help me understand it. What is more wonderful is that he opens understanding in a way that is right for me.

Wherever you are in your Christian walk, God can reveal his word at a level that is right for you. I often think of the Bible as being like an onion. There are layers to peel off and I believe he wants us to peel layers off and go even deeper into his word. A small group of us meet on a Thursday morning on zoom to discuss passages from the Bible. Time and time again we can look at familiar passages and yet still find things we hadn't realised or thought about. Please come and join us! If we are serious about deepening our relationship with God, then one way is to delve further into His word and peel off some of the layers!

Prayer Ministry

Julie will be at the front after the service for those wishing private prayer. Prayers offered will include all those named in this News Sheet.

**We are here as God's family to draw closer to God,
to live out our faith and welcome all into the love of God.**

October

Sun 26th	10:30	Bible Sunday Family Service
Tue 28th	12-2	Soup & Sandwich at the Rising Sun
Thu 30th	9:30	Bible Study on Zoom

November

Sun 2nd	10:30	Informal Communion, Cathy Pullinger & Baptism of Florence Whitehead
Tue 4th	12-2	Soup & Sandwich at the Rising Sun
Wed 5th	10:30 7:30	Little Stars 10:30, doors open at 10 Monthly Evening Prayers on Zoom
Thu 6th	9:30	Bible Study on Zoom
Sun 9th	10:30	Remembrance Sunday
Tue 11th	12-2	Soup & Sandwich at the Rising Sun
Wed 12th	10:30	Little Stars 10:30, doors open at 10
Thu 13th	9:30	Bible Study on Zoom


Blythswood
SHOEBOX APPEAL 2025



Shoebox Saturday: Nov 15th, 10 to 12:

Opportunity to make up Shoeboxes!

Shoebox Sunday: Nov 16th 10:30:

Shoebxoxes sent off with our Blessings!

Access Sunday Services on Zoom!

Enter the number 878 5926 2657 passcode 664663 or by linking to
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87859262657?pwd=dTdada291VDk2anA5aGtmdnFCN3kzQT09>



The link will remain open after Sunday services so those on Zoom can chat!



Thursday Bible Studies may be accessed on Zoom too!

Enter the number 589 233 412 passcode 090636 or link to

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/589233412?pwd=d1lLL0E2Y0w4dDdpUXlTR0pHcGdSQT09>



Advent Trail 2025!

Julie & Mary are looking for village people prepared to put a Christmas related display (of whatever kind) in their window from 30th November to Christmas Day.

*If you wish to join in
please speak to Mary or Julie.*

Practical help for the Community



Azalea thanks us for food, toiletries, cash, gift aided donations, etc.
 They regularly collect our items, all gratefully received!

We drop off food to the **Foodbank** monthly. Needs are greater than ever.



They express gratitude for our deliveries,
 financial & Gift Aided donations: next drop off 28th October.

Before you leave home for church, 'Grab a Tin & bring i'tin!'

Recycle!

*Please drop your Medication Blister Packs
at the back of for church for Paula to take for recycling.*

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