

***St Andrew's Church Woodside  
19th April 2026  
Holy Communion***

*Today we welcome  
Rev Joy Daniel*

### ***Collect for Third Sunday of Easter***

Risen Christ, you filled your disciples with boldness and fresh hope: strengthen us to proclaim your risen life and fill us with your peace, to the glory of God the Father. Amen

### ***Message from Julie***

*Our readings today are Acts 2: 14vv36-41 & Luke 24 v 13-35*

#### *The Road to Emmaus*

The Gospel passage is a model for Christian life. We are on a journey. Are we going in the right direction? Are we walking in step with Christ?

It begins with two disciples on the road to Emmaus leaving Jerusalem, i.e. going in the wrong direction. Jesus joins them as a fellow traveller, but their eyes are kept from recognizing him. I wonder why? They say that they “had hoped”; their dreams are thwarted, or so they think.

Jesus then gives them a lesson in reading the Scriptures and shows them that all that happened to him, including his suffering and death, was all part of God’s plan.

As they reach their destination, Jesus makes as if to continue his journey, but they invite him in. It is in the act of breaking the bread that they recognise him. Then Jesus disappears and they say, “Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?”

Here we see the importance of both the Word and the Eucharist to our relationship with Christ.

And what should our response to our encounter with him be? The disciples show us in their joyful rushing back to Jerusalem (the right path) to share the good news with others.

### ***Prayer Ministry***

Andrew 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.*

## April

Sun 19th	10:30	Holy Communion
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**Here tomorrow  
Monday 20th  
at 7:30**

# Lindsey's Licensing

*Everyone  
Welcome!*

Tue 21st	12 - 2	Soup 'n' Sandwich at the Rising Sun
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Wed 22nd	10:30	Little Stars, doors open at 10
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Thur 23rd	9:30	Bible Study on Zoom
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**You're welcome at ...**  
*Sue Briggs' Open House in Allan's memory from 10.30 on  
 Friday 24th April in aid of the British Asthma & Lung Foundation*



**Sat 25th  
10 - Noon**

**Community Coffee Morning  
Drop in for Tea, Coffee  
& Good Company!**

**Elizabeth Loh  
will have a stall with  
Tropical Skin Care products**



Sun 26th	10:30 3:00	Short Morning Praise followed by APCM Civic Service for Councillor Kevin Collins at All Saints Caddington.
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### **Nominations are sought to join the Church Council**

*Is God calling you to this role?*

*Could you put your skills to God's service by becoming a PCC member?*

*Interested? Then please speak to Joyce or another member of PCC.*

### **Access St Andrew's Sunday Services on Zoom!**

Enter the number 878 5926 2657 passcode 664663 or by linking to

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87859262657?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87859262657?pwd=dTdad291VDk2anA5aGtmDnFCN3kzQT09)

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*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=d1LL0E2Y0w4dDdpUXlTR0pHcGdSQT09>

### **Practical help for the Community**

**Azalea thanks us for food, toiletries, cash, gift aided donations, etc.**  
 They regularly collect our items, gratefully received, particularly the warm gloves and mittens we have given them in the chilly times!



### **We drop off food to the Foodbank monthly.**

*Before you leave home for church, 'Grab a Tin & bring it'!*  
 They express gratitude for our deliveries and our financial & Gift Aided donations - next drop off: 28th April. **Needs are greater than ever!**



*NB: If you wish to contribute, pick up a copy of the Food Bank 'Advent Calendar' from the back of church, which lists seasonal items to donate throughout the year.*

## Recycle it!

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

**Contacts @ St Andrew's**

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