

***St Andrew's Church Woodside
Sunday 30th August
Morning Praise***

Collect for the 13th Sunday after Trinity

Almighty God, you search us and know us; may we rely on you in strength and rest on you in weakness; now and in all our days. Amen

Message from Richard

Today's Bible reading is Exodus 3 vv 1 – 15

The Burning Bush

Why on earth did God need a burning bush to speak to Moses? On this very ordinary day when Moses was doing a very ordinary thing, tending the flock of his father-in-law, Jethro, God spoke for the first time in over 400 years! So perhaps after all those years of invisibility, God needed to be seen to be believed. Whatever the reason, the Lord saw that Moses didn't pass by but turned aside to look at this phenomenon. It was then that God called to him by name from the bush, "Moses! Moses!" God knows your name! He created you, he knows all about your dreams, your worries, your disappointments, your joys! He knows all about you! Isaiah says, 'I have summoned you by name, you are mine.'

The psalmist says, "You perceive my thoughts from afar; you are familiar with all my ways.' He knows you intimately. Isn't that a sobering thought. God knew all about Moses. He knew about Moses past. He knew about the Egyptian that Moses had killed. He knew that Moses had once been a prince in Egypt but right now had fallen to the depths of being an ordinary shepherd.

But isn't this God's way of working? Stooping to achieve the remarkable by using a man who is not eloquent, who right now was just ordinary? Who wasn't very excited about his role in leading God's people out of Egypt?

You and I might be ordinary people, but in God's hands we can be used to do extraordinary things. God can use you just as you are to further his kingdom. So let us learn to listen to God's voice when he calls and then watch out! You never know what he is calling you to do

Sylvia will be at the front after the service for those wishing private prayer. Prayers offered will include 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.*

AUGUST		
Today	10:30	Morning Praise
SEPTEMBER		
Wed 2nd	7:30	Evening Prayer in the Family Room
Thu 3rd	9:30	Bible Study on Zoom
Sun 6th	10:30	Informal Communion
Wed 9th	10:00	Little Stars, doors open at 10
Thu 10th	9:30	Bible Study on Zoom
Sun 13th	10:30	Morning Praise
Tue 15th	11:00	Service at the Care Home, next door to St. A's
Wed 16th	10:30	Little Stars, doors open at 10
Thu 17th	9:30	Bible Study on Zoom
Sun 20th	10:30	Holy Communion
Wed 23rd	10:30	Little Stars, doors open at 10
Thu 24th	9:30	Bible Study on Zoom
Sat 26th	10-12	Community Coffee Morning Made & Remade Fair to mark the Season of Creation

Enter the number 878 5926 2657 **Access St Andrew's Sunday Services on Zoom**
passcode 664663 or by linking to

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87859262657?pwd=dTdad291VDk2anA5aGtmdnFCN3kzQT09>

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=d1lLL0E2Y0w4dDdpUXlTR0pHcGdSQTO9>



***Azalea thanks us for food, toiletries,
cash, gift aided donations, etc.***

They regularly collect our items, gratefully received.



We drop off food at the Foodbank monthly.

They express gratitude for our deliveries and our financial & Gift Aided donations. Next drop off, September 25th.

Before you leave home for church Grabbatin'n'bringi'tin!

Needs are greater than ever!

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