



St Andrew's Church Rugby

Christ the King **21st November 2021**

8.00am BCP Holy Communion

The Rev'd Canon Edmund Newey

10.30am Parish Eucharist *livestreamed: [twitch.tv/standrewrugby](https://www.twitch.tv/standrewrugby)*

President & preacher: The Rev'd Canon Edmund Newey

12.30pm Baptism of Coen Howe

The Rev'd Pam Gould

6.00pm Zoom Evening Prayer

Reflection: Gwyneth Hickman, Licensed Reader

Welcome to St Andrew's — may God's peace be with you.

While the Covid infection rate remains high, we ask you to:

- continue wearing a mask (unless medically exempt)
- to feel free to join in gently singing the hymns whilst wearing your mask
- to maintain 1m distance from others whilst inside the building.

The service sheet gives directions on when to stand or kneel, but please feel free to remain sitting if you prefer. Toilets are available through the arch beside the main entrance.

We have a plate at the back of church for offerings; a link to online giving is on the back of this service sheet.

Introit *sung by the choir*

The Lord ascendeth up on high *Michael Praetorius*

*The Lord ascendeth up on high,
The Lord hath triumphed gloriously,
In power and might excelling;
The grave and hell are captive led,
Lo! He returns, our glorious Head,
To His eternal dwelling.*

*The heavens with joy receive their Lord,
By saints, by angel hosts adored,
O day of exultation!
O earth, adore thy glorious King!
His rising, His ascension sing
With grateful adoration!*

*Our great High Priest hath gone before,
Now on His Church His grace to pour,
And still His love He giveth;
O may our hearts to Him ascend;
May all within us upward tend*

Opening Hymn 227 *Please stand.*

**Crown him with many crowns,
the Lamb upon his throne;
hark, how the heavenly anthem drowns
all music but its own.**

**Awake, my soul, and sing
of him who died for thee,
and hail him as thy matchless king
through all eternity.**

**Crown him the Virgin's Son,
the God incarnate born,
whose arm those crimson trophies won
which now his brow adorn:
Fruit of the mystic Rose,
as of that Rose the stem;
the Root whence mercy ever flows,
the Babe of Bethlehem.**

**Crown him the Lord of love;
behold his hands and side,
those wounds yet visible above
in beauty glorified;
no angel in the sky
can fully bear that sight,
but downward bends his burning eye
at mysteries so bright.**

**Crown him the Lord of peace,
whose power a sceptre sways
from pole to pole, that wars may cease,
and all be prayer and praise:
his reign shall know no end,
and round his piercèd feet
fair flowers of paradise extend
their fragrance ever sweet.**

**Crown him the Lord of years,
the Potentate of time,
creator of the rolling spheres,
ineffably sublime.
all hail, Redeemer, hail!
for thou hast died for me;
thy praise shall never, never fail
throughout eternity.**

The Greeting *is given by the president*

In the name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit

All Amen

Grace, mercy and peace
from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

All And also with you.

The president welcomes the congregation and offers God's blessing to the children. Sunday Club, for Children aged 4 and above, meets in the Godly Play space; younger children and their parents are welcome to use the play area in the south aisle.

Prayers of Penitence

Jesus says, 'Repent for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.' So let us turn away from sin and turn to Christ, confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

**All Lord God, we have sinned against you;
we have done evil in your sight.
We are sorry and repent.
Have mercy on us according to your love.
Wash away our wrongdoing
and cleanse us from our sin.
Renew a right spirit within us
and restore us to the joy of your salvation,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

Almighty God,
who forgives all who truly repent,
have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in life eternal;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen

Please stand to sing

The Gloria in Excelsis

**All Glory to God, Glory to God
Glory to God in the highest**

**Glory to God in the Highest
and peace to his people on earth
Lord God, Heav'nly King
Almighty God and Father
we worship you, we give you thanks
we praise you for your glory.
Glory to God, Glory to God
Glory to God in the highest.**

**Lord Jesus Christ,
only son of the Father
Lord God, Lamb of God
you take away the sins of the world
have mercy on us.
You are seated
at the right hand of the Father,
receive our prayer.
Glory to God, Glory to God
Glory to God in the highest**

**For you alone are the Holy one
You alone are the Lord
You alone are the most high
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit
In the Glory of God the Father
Glory to God, Glory to God
Glory to God in the highest.**

The Collect

Let us pray *Silence is kept.*

Eternal Father,
whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven
that he might rule over all things as Lord and King:
keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit
and in the bond of peace,
and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

All Amen.

Please sit

New Testament Reading

A reading from the first chapter of the Revelation to Saint John, beginning at the fourth verse.

John to the seven churches that are in Asia:
Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and
who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before
his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the
firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.
To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his
blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God
and Father, to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever.
Amen.

Look! He is coming with the clouds;
every eye will see him,
even those who pierced him;
and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail.

So it is to be. Amen.

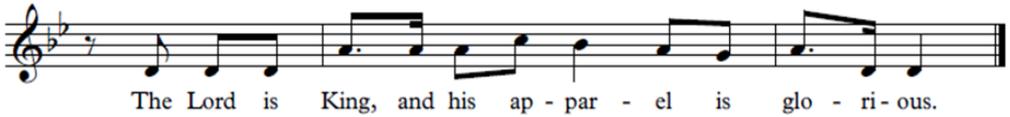
'I am the Alpha and the Omega', says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

For the word of the Lord

All Thanks be to God

Please remain seated

Responsorial Psalm 93



Choir The Lord is king and has put on glorious apparel;
the Lord has put on his glory
and girded himself with strength.

He has made the whole world so sure
that it cannot be moved.

Your throne has been established from of old;
you are from everlasting.

All The Lord is King, and his apparel is glorious

Choir The floods have lifted up, O Lord,
the floods have lifted up their voice;
the floods lift up their pounding waves.

Mightier than the thunder of many waters,
mightier than the breakers of the sea,
the Lord on high is mightier.

Your testimonies are very sure;
holiness adorns your house,
O Lord, for ever.

All The Lord is King, and his apparel is glorious

Please stand

Gospel Reading

Alleluia, alleluia.

Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Matthew 5.3

All Alleluia.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

All Glory to you, O Lord.

(18:33-37)

Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, 'Are you the King of the Jews?' Jesus answered, 'Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?' Pilate replied, 'I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?' Jesus answered, 'My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here.' Pilate asked him, 'So you are a king?' Jesus answered, 'You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord

All Praise to you, O Christ.

Please sit

Sermon *The Rev'd Canon Edmund Newey*

The Creed *Please stand*

**All We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,**

of all that is, seen and unseen.

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from
heaven,**

**was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and
glorified,**

who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come.**

Amen.

Prayers of Intercession, *please sit or kneel*

This response may be used

and at the end

Lord, in your mercy

All hear our prayer.

Merciful Father,

**All accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.**

Healing prayer: Louise Morley, Sharon Foster, Maggie Telford, Joy Lunn, Irene Watts, Sue Minton, George Wilson, Mona Das, Mary Holder, Edwin Foxon, Alan Bartrop, Mary Stretton, Jane Brodalka, Adrianna, Luci & Sophie Turner, Clyde Cumberbatch, Barbara Phillips, Pat Smith, Gillian Money, Rita & Noel, Jim Dand, Caroline, Dilshad, Lily, Denise, Michael Barton, baby Imogen
For all the children and staff at St Andrew's Benn School.
For those who have died, including Jane Holland.

The Peace *Please stand*

To crown all things there must be love,
to bind all together and complete the whole.

Let the peace of Christ rule in our hearts. *Colossians 3:14-15*

The peace of the triune God be always with you

All and also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*We share the peace safely with those around us by saying
'peace be with you',*

Offertory Hymn 453

Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendour
first-begotten from the dead,
thou alone, our strong defender,
liftest up thy people's head.

**Alleluia, alleluia,
Jesu, true and living bread.**

Here our humblest homage pay we,
here in loving reverence bow;
here for faith's discernment pray we,
lest we fail to know thee now.

**Alleluia, alleluia,
thou are here, we ask not how.**

Though the lowliest form doth veil thee
as of old in Bethlehem,
here as there thine angels hail thee,
branch and flower of Jesse's stem.

**Alleluia, alleluia,
we in worship join with them.**

Paschal Lamb, thine offering, finished
once for all when thou wast slain,
in its fullness undiminished
shall for evermore remain.

**Alleluia, alleluia,
cleansing souls from every stain.**

Life-imparting heavenly manna,
stricken rock with streaming side,
heaven and earth with loud hosanna
worship thee, the Lamb who died,

**Alleluia, alleluia,
risen, ascended, glorified!**

The Preparation of the Table

Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power,
the glory, the splendour, and the majesty;
for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.

**All All things come from you,
and of your own do we give you.**

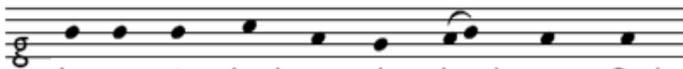
The Eucharistic Prayer *please remain standing*



The Lord be with you R. and al-so with you.



Lift up your hearts. R. We lift them to the Lord.



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



R. It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
always and everywhere to give you thanks,
holy Father, almighty and eternal God.
For with the oil of gladness
you have anointed Christ the Lord, your only Son,
to be our great high priest and king of all creation.
As priest, he offered himself once for all upon the altar of the
cross
and redeemed the human race by this perfect sacrifice of
peace.
As king he claims dominion over all your creatures,
that he may bring before your infinite majesty
a kingdom of truth and life,
a kingdom of holiness and grace,

a kingdom of justice, love and peace.
And so with angels and archangels
and all the heavenly host,
we proclaim your glory
and join their unending hymn of praise:

We sing the Sanctus

**All Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessèd is he who comes in the name of the Lord,
Hosanna in the highest**

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,
and according to your holy will,
these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;
who, in the same night that he was betrayed,
took bread and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

The sanctuary bell is rung

In the same way, after supper
he took the cup and gave you thanks;
he gave it to them, saying:
Drink this, all of you;
this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it,
in remembrance of me.

The sanctuary bell is rung

Great is the mystery of faith:

We sing the Acclamation

**All Christ has died:
Christ is risen:
Christ will come again.**

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,
his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole
world;

rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,
and looking for his coming in glory,
we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,
we bring before you this bread and this cup
and we thank you for counting us worthy
to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people
and gather into one in your kingdom
all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we,
in the company of Blessed Virgin Mary, St Andrew
and all the saints

may praise and glorify you for ever,
through Jesus Christ our Lord;
by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father,
for ever and ever.

All Amen.

The Sanctuary bell is rung, please sit or kneel

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

**All Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever.
Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread

The president breaks the consecrated bread.

We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.

**All Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

Please remain seated to sing

The Agnus Dei (The Lamb of God)

**All Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
grant us peace.**

Invitation to Communion

Behold the Lamb of God
who takes away the sin of the world.

Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

**All Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.**

**Those unable to be present in person may find these prayers
helpful to share in Spiritual Communion.**

Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your disciples, 'I am with you always'.
Be with me today, as I offer myself to you.
Hear my prayers for others and for myself,
and keep me in your care. Amen.

O God, help me to trust you, help me to know that you are with me,
help me to believe that nothing can separate me from your love
revealed in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Communion Anthem

Pie Jesu *Gabriel Fauré*

*Pie Jesu Domine,
Dona eis requiem.*

*Pie Jesu Domine,
Dona eis requiem sempiternam.*

*Pious Lord Jesus,
Give them rest.
Pious Lord Jesus,
Give them everlasting rest.*

Post Communion Prayers

Stir up, O Lord,
the wills of your faithful people;
that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works,
may by you be plenteously rewarded;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

**All Almighty God,
we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
Through him we offer you our souls and bodies
to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit
to live and work
to your praise and glory.
Amen**

Closing Hymn 612 *Please stand*

**Christ triumphant, ever reigning,
Saviour, Master, King!
Lord of heaven, our lives sustaining,
hear us as we sing:
 *Yours the glory and the crown,
 the high renown, the eternal name.***

**Word incarnate, truth revealing,
Son of Man on earth!
power and majesty concealing
by your humble birth:**

**Suffering servant, scorned, ill-treated,
victim crucified!
death is through the cross defeated,
sinners justified:**

**Priestly king, enthroned for ever
high in heaven above!
sin and death and hell shall never
stifle hymns of love:**

**So, our hearts and voices raising
through the ages long,
ceaselessly upon you gazing,
this shall be our song:**

The Blessing

Christ our King make you faithful and strong to do his will
that you may reign with him in glory;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

All Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

The minister departs.

Organ Voluntary

Toccata in F BWV 540 *J.S. Bach*

Diary for the week

- Monday** 9.00am Morning Prayer *in the Lady Chapel*
10.00am-2pm Café open run by Brooke School students
10.00am-12pm Ball of Yarn *knitters & crocheters*
6.30pm St Andrew's Community Singers. *All welcome*
7.30pm Bell ringing practice *New members welcome*
- Tuesday** 9.00am Morning Prayer *in the Lady Chapel*
10.00am-2pm Café open run by Brooke School students
9.30am Reflective Communion
1.00pm Concert this week by Espressivo (vocal quartet)
- Wednesday** 9.00am Morning Prayer *in the Lady Chapel*
5.00pm Young Choristers
- Thursday** 9.00am Morning Prayer *in the Lady Chapel*
10.45am-12.15pm Baby Café drop-in
11.00am June's Chatterbox Tunes
6.30pm-8.30pm Choir practice
- Friday** 9.00am No Morning Prayer
10.00am Café open. *Pop in for friendship and fellowship!*
10.00am Christmas Tree Festival set up day
- Saturday** 10.00am-2pm Café open. *Pop in for friendship and fellowship!*

Next Sunday 28th November **Advent Sunday**

- 8.00am Holy Communion
10.30am Parish Eucharist
6.00pm Advent Carol Service
6.00pm Zoom Evening Prayer

News and Notices

Any item to be included in News & Notices should be with Kate by Wednesday, 12noon.

Nearer to Thee—Time for Reflection in Advent. Edmund will be leading an hour's quiet contemplation each Monday during Advent, focused around a short reading, a piece of music and a prayer. Mondays at 2.15pm in the Lady Chapel.

Big Table Gospel - In the six weeks before Christmas, the Big Table Gospel group will be using the book, Music of Eternity, Meditations for Advent with Evelyn Underhill, by Dr Robyn Wrigley-Carr. New members are invited to join our discussions which will take place weekly, either in church or online. The six sessions will be as follows: Fri Nov 19 (church), Thur Nov 25 (online), Fri Dec 3 (church), Thur Dec 9 (online), Fri Dec 17 (church) and Thur Dec 23 (online), each at 10am. For more information, contact John on shoparound1938@gmail.com

Gifts of Hope. Our stewardship campaign, Gifts of Hope, ends today. Thank you very much to all who have responded with pledges of time and money for the worship, work and mission of our church in the town. If you have not received a leaflet or pledge form, please speak to one of the churchwardens or clergy.

Rugby Cafe Writers group for those who enjoy writing or reading. We gather once a fortnight on Friday mornings at 10am inside Church. New members are always welcome to come along. For those unable to attend, we also hold a monthly online meeting. For more information, go to www.rugbycafewriters.com

Thirteen Bells Book Club is currently meeting online every Wednesday at 11.30am. We make our way slowly through our chosen book, reading about 50 pages per week. Our new title is Bookworm by Lucy Mangan. This is an account of the author's

childhood reading and should lead to plenty of discussion about our favourite childhood books. Email John at shoparound1938@gmail.com if you would like to join.

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Bereavement Point 2pm - 3.30pm on the 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month (plus the 5th if there is one!). Opportunity for group conversation and relationship building where everyone is welcome and comfort is offered <https://compassionaterugby.co.uk/>

Please continue to support Rugby Foodbank as we are able to receive your donations and deliver them to the Foodbank.

Items urgently needed :- uht milk, long life fruit juice, powder milk, men's razors, shaving foam, sweeteners, quality carrier bags (supermarket ones). Thank you John

We are holding two Christingle services this year but we are limiting numbers, please book space for you and your family through Eventbrite (Links below) if that is difficult for you contact Wendy with the number of tickets you require:

childrenandfamily@rugbychurch.org.uk. We expect that tickets will go quickly and the booking links will advertised more widely next week, so to avoid disappointment please book as soon as

possible.

23rd December 4pm: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/206710916917>

24th December 4pm: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/206735249697>

Rugby Christmas Cracker is again planning to raise funds and awareness of developing world issues. We are having a café again this year and are running the radio and evening restaurant. Our premises are in the Rugby Centre between Subway and Iceland We will be offering the option of a takeaway meal or a sit down meal. The radio will also be either in a studio or the option will be to do it from your own home. We will still need plenty of volunteers to help with food prep, serving etc, We are starting to take bookings so if you would like to book a meal for your group or friends please contact me on the email below.

If you would like to be involved please register on line via the website (wp.rugbycracker.org.uk) or email me on katiethomas@ntlworld.com . If you would like more information please contact me on 07757562504. All ages are welcome.

Your continued support of **Rugby Foodbank** is both gratefully received and necessary. **Items urgently needed** are toothbrushes, toothpaste, chocolate spread, washing powder/ tablets and quality carrier bags. They will shortly launch their Christmas Appeal which will celebrate 12 days of Christmas, which invites donations in support of the Christmas Hampers collection. Items are required by 13 December and separate details are available. As ever than you for your support.

**This link allows you to give to St Andrew's online:
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