

4th Sunday of Easter / VE Day

11th May 2025

Welcome to St Andrew's

If you are a visitor or a newcomer, please introduce yourself. Before worship, the offering plate, Gift Aid envelopes and the Card Reader are opposite the entrance. If you would like a gluten free wafer, please let the welcomer know. We serve tea and coffee in the Church after the 10.00am service, it's a good time to get to know people.

Today's Services:

8.00am	Holy	Holy Communion		
10.00am	Parish Communion			
Hymn:	766	Praise my soul, the King of Heaven		

Collect: Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life: raise us, who trust in him, from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, that we may seek those things which are above, where he reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First reading:

Ephesians 5:6-21

⁶Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes on those who are disobedient. ⁷Therefore do not be associated with them, ⁸for once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Walk as children of light, ⁹for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. ¹⁰Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. ¹¹Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness; rather, expose them. ¹²For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly, ¹³but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, ¹⁴for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, "Awake, sleeper! Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you." ¹⁵Be careful, then, how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, ¹⁶making the most of the time, because the days are evil. ¹⁷So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. ¹⁸Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, ¹⁹as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs to one another, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, ²⁰giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, ²¹being subject to one another out of reverence for Christ.

Hymn: 812 Through all the changing scenes

Gospel reading:

John 10:22-30

²² Then came the Festival of Dedication at Jerusalem. It was winter, ²³ and Jesus was in the temple courts walking in Solomon's Colonnade. ²⁴ The Jews who were there gathered around him, saying, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." ²⁵ Jesus answered, "I did tell you, but you do not believe. The works I do in my Father's name testify about me, ²⁶ but you do not believe because you are not my sheep. ²⁷ My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. ²⁸I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one will snatch them out of my hand. ²⁹ My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all; no one can snatch them out of my Father's hand. ³⁰ I and the Father are one."

Sermon:	Canon David Kennedy			
Hymns:		The strife is o'er The King of love Now thank we all our God		
4.00pm	Mess	y Church		

Pray every day



'By prayer and petition with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God' Each day we pray for our ministry, our Community and Wider Issues and Individual streets and areas of the Parish.

Sunday	The Church's work with young people. Messy Church the children and parents, and the team who plan and prepare.					
	The Pre-school, Little Tinkler's Nursery, Over the Rainbow Childcare and all those who childmind. Jameson Drive, Cragside, Siskin Drive, Bilberry Drive.					
Monday	For the Choir and our director of Music – Colin Williams. For the dental practices, physiotherapists. & opticians. Aydon Road, Deadridge Lane, Milkwell Lane, Aydon Estate. Take Five - Andrew and Lisa Peart at 'Christ the Light of the World' Anglican church in Santa Cruz, Bolivia.					
Tuesday	For our organists – Marc Bryant and John Roper. Hexham General Hospital, medical and support staff and patients. Roman Heights. Take Five - Getachew & Gezashign Yohannes, working in Bible translation and trauma counselling with Wycliffe Ethiopia.					
Wednesday	The Parish Safeguarding Team: Mandy Norton & Richard Adams.					

Those who are suffering abuse, particularly domestic abuse. St Helen's Lane, Milkwell Estate, Synclen Estate. Take Five - St Michaels Church, Byker: Developing the church building into 'The Lighthouse' worship, community and youth centre. Thursday Alice Stephenson and her work as Sacristan. Burnbrae Residential Care Home, residents and staff. The Chevnes Estate, Hallgarth Close. Take Five - Gap Supported Housing: providing accommodation and support for the homeless in Hexham and Tynedale. Friday Ministry to the sick and housebound. All who receive Holy Communion at home. Charlotte Straker House, residents and staff. Chantry Estate. Take Five - A Rocha UK Eco Church Programme and our care for creation. Saturday All those who help regularly with services: readers, intercessors, sidespeople, chalice assistants and those making coffee.

Riverhill Abbeyfield House, residents and staff.

The Riggs, Willowdyke, The Potteries.

As part of our Take 5 marks of mission: We pray for Getachew & Gezashign Yohannes, working in Bible translation and trauma counselling with Wycliffe Ethiopia.

We pray for the sick, especially Carolyn Holmes, Luna Medina Craig, Mavis Hamer, Mark Stephenson, Joyce Walker, David Andrews, John Clark, Bridget Lay, Joan Cross, and Mary Rae.

We pray for the family and friends of Elsie Fletcher, Allan Foster, David Walters, Nicholas Craig, David Priestley and David Roberts.



LUNCHTIME ORGAN RECITALS held in St Andrew's, Corbridge at 12.30pm: Next recital is on 16th May, with Marc Bryant. Please feel free to bring your lunch. Tea and coffee available from 12 noon.

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING: Our Annual Parochial Church Meeting will be held on **Sunday 18th May** at 11.15am after the 10.00am service. We will be electing Churchwardens, members to PCC and Deanery Synod representatives. Please think and pray about who we might elect, and whether God is calling you to one of these roles. Further information and forms are available on the church noticeboard. The annual accounts and reports will be available on the website after the weekend and as hard copies in church. Please try to have a look at them before the APCM.

1350th **EVENTS BOOKLET:** The Spring version is available online and as a paper copy. Please do look to see all the wonderful events we have planned for the next few months.

ART TALK: Tuesday 20th May at 2.00pm. Helen Alice Johnson will be delivering a talk on her upcoming exhibition 'Our Beautiful World'. The talk will cover Helen's creative process, the techniques and materials she uses, and the challenges she faced in her paintings and how she overcame them. This is a great opportunity to find out more about Helen's work and have the chance to ask her questions at first hand.

ART EXHIBITION: Friday 6th June to Sunday 15th June. An exhibition by Helen Alice Johnson, who lives and works between Alston in the North Pennines and Les Chapelles in the Pays de la Loire, Northern France. The use of geometry, in particular geometric pattern is something that has occurred in Helen's art work periodically, and this exhibition shows how this has now become more focussed as she begins

to explore the space in between a landscape and introduces a spiritual thinking into the relationship between people and nature.

FLOWER FESTIVAL: Thursday 19th to Sunday 22nd June, 9.30am – 5.00pm. On Thursday the Flower Festival will be open to 9.00pm during the village Midsummer Evening. Also on Sunday there will be a Festival Eucharist from 10.00am to 11.15am, and Village Songs of Praise at 5.00pm.

SPONSORSHIP FOR THE FLOWER FESTIVAL: If you or your family or business have a special occasion or anniversary you would like to celebrate by sponsoring an arrangement at the Flower Festival, forms are available to download from our website or from the 1350th table in church.

CASCADE OF FLOWERS: Please could all flowers be handed into church by the 30th May. Thank you.

NEXT HERITAGE TALK: Wednesday 21st **May** *A Blacksmith's Family.* Douglas Knott, MBE, a former resident of Corbridge. Please pay on the door. £7.00 a glass of wine is included in the cost.

CONFIRMATION SERVICE: There will be a Confirmation Service on Sunday 21st September at 4.00pm. If you, or anyone you know, would like to be confirmed, please speak to David or Linda.

The St Andrew's 1350th Prayer.

God of the ages, we praise you for your faithfulness to us over 1350 years here in Corbridge. As we rejoice in our foundation by St Wilfrid, and are inspired by your holy apostle St Andrew, make us as a city set on a hill, whose light cannot be hidden, the light of your glory in the face of Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.



A sculpted installation of bells by Keith Roberts

Friday 9th May to Thursday 22nd May 2025



'Capretto' refers to a battle fought on the Italian front during the Autumn of 1917. These sculpted bells were part of a 2017 exhibition called 'War in the Sunshine'.

The artist has created a sculpture of broken and fractured bells to represent the chaos and upheaval hat war always brings. However, it does more than that Roberts' vision brings to the viewer the universal truth that the crises of war leave us broken and lost. His work provokes many questions.

While Caporetto refers to a First World War commemoration it is appropriate that it should speak to what we are celebrating this year for which our church war memorial is a focus.

Diary		
Monday		12 th May
9.30am	Staff Meeting	
11.00am	1350 th Committee Meeting	
11.00am	Charlotte Straker Service	
Tuesday		13 th May
9.00am	First School Assembly	
10.00am	Deanery Development Group Meeting	
10.30am	Book Club	
Wednesday		14 th May
10.00am	Holy Communion	
10.30am	Corbridge Hub Charities Meeting	
12 noon	Whittonstall PCC	
1.00pm	Macular Society in the Cottage	
2.00pm	Tea and Chat	
2.30pm	Funeral – David Walters	
Thursday		$15^{th} May$
2.30pm	Prayer Group in the Church	
4.00pm	Home Group	
Friday		16 th May
12 noon	Refreshments available	
12.30pm	Organ Recital: Marc Bryant	
1.45pm	Musical Events Meeting	
7.00pm	Choir Practice	
Sunday		18 th May
10.00am	Parish Communion followed by the APCM	
4.00pm	River	

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