

Welcome TO

St Thomas' Church, Kendal



Diary Dates & Info

Sunday 7th August 2022

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Theme: Who do you say I AM

Title: "Good Shepherd"

Reading: John 10:11-21

Summer Sundays

Services throughout August

10.00am Everyone Together

Club Sundays

Club Sundays are for our young people during the 10.00am morning service, they will take place on Sunday 14th August & Sunday 28th August.

Midweek

Holy Communion

Wednesdays 12noon

Prayer for Healing and Wholeness

is available at every service.

Come for yourself or for someone else.

Prayer team wear green lanyards

Welcome to St Thomas Church Kendal. It's great that you are here as we gather for worship today – we love coming together as a family and pray that everyone will receive the Father's love, encounter Jesus and know the Spirit's power!

If you are new please make yourself known to someone wearing a lanyard who will be delighted to help you feel at home.

Service Information

Sunday 7th

10:00 am Everyone Together

Preacher: David Parsons

Wednesday 10th August

12.00 noon Holy Communion

Led by Bill Holliday

Sunday 14th August

10:00 am Morning Worship *with club for young people*

Preacher: Vic Sekasi

Summer Sundays

There will be one morning service only, for everyone together at 10.00am until September, the service will be a blend of both our 8.45 and 10.45 Sunday morning services. During the summer there will be two club Sundays for our young people these will take place during the services on Sunday 14th and Sunday 28th August.

Welcoming at the church door.

During the Summer we would love to give folks an opportunity to be the 'Welcomers' on the door! (*August 14th, August 21st, August 28th*) If you are interested and are willing to start at 9.30 am, please have a word with Ivan or Carole Smith. *We know you will enjoy it!*

Cedars—Tomorrow 8th August 2pm

We look forward to welcoming our cedar members tomorrow for a Beetle Drive and tea and cake. Cedars is for our church family 60 years young and older if you have never been to Cedars do come along it would be lovely to see you.

Volunteers—We need you!

We have various roles which need team members to sustain our ministry, can you serve in any of these roles? Take a look, complete the card and return to the office. Be great to have you on board. Thank you.

Youth Film night

10th August 6:30pm

If you're aged 11 – 18 why not join us for an evening of popcorn, drinks, and an amazing film on 10th August. Popcorn and drinks will be provided from 6:30pm, with the film starting at 7pm and finishing at 9pm. The film we will be showing is 'I can only imagine'. Check out the trailer

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eZEx4LteKZU>

Church office during summer months

25th July –5th September

Please note that the church office will close at 1pm each day & 2pm on Wednesdays following Holy Communion.

Emma and Vinay's Wedding

Sunday 21st August 2pm

The church family is invited to come and celebrate this very special occasion. There is to be tea/coffee and cake served here after the service before the guests go off to the Reception. Please contact Diane Holliday if you are able to offer a cake. Thank you !

Thank you

Ann Baker and family would like to thank all who have helped them while caring for David. "Thank you to all those who have upheld us with prayer during this time. Also thank you to all who donated in David's memory, £700.00 has been donated to be shared between St Thomas' Church, Action for Pulmonary Fibrosis and St Johns Hospice, Lancaster."

Look out for Autumn Courses

Alpha will be starting on Wednesday evening 21st September 7.30-9.00pm for anyone who is interested in exploring Christian faith.

More details to follow

The Bereavement Journey will be running again on Thursday evenings – we have found it such a helpful course, contact the office for more info.

Plan A, our missional discipleship course, is running for 7 weeks in the Autumn as part of Diocese of Carlisle's **Discipleship Project** more information will be available at the end of August.

Church Chairs Upholstery

We are looking forward to renovating the church chairs in the autumn and will need work parties to dismantle them and rebuild them once the seats and backs are reupholstered.

Further details to come about this big team work project!

There is opportunity to contribute to the project financially – any donation is welcome, or you could sponsor a chair for £45.00! Envelopes are provided if needed. (As with any fundraising any surplus gifts can go to our general funds)

Midweek Walking Group

Thursday 18th August

Join us for a stroll along Grange Prom to Kents Bank and Back. Contact Ian and Mary Reay for more details.

Open the Book — *Bible storytelling in primary schools.*

Schools are requesting Open the Book to return in September and also a request to visit a new school. We need your help. CAN you help in this fun and rewarding project? You would be joining a team of experienced Open the bookers and all resources are provided. You just need a willingness to be dramatic and engaging. We pray that as the children watch and listen to the stories shared so enthusiastically by those who love God and his word, they too will learn about the God who loves each of them. Times Open the Book are in school are as follows, Monday 12noon-1.15pm Wednesday 8.45-10am and Thursday 9.15-10.30am. If you could help on any of those days please contact Helen Proudfoot who would love to hear from you helenproudfoot56@gmail.com you can also watch a short video at www.openthebook.net

Stephen Bell

Stephen and Tabita have sent us their latest newsletter. It tells us of Stephens recent evangelism in Varazdin , their recent camp, new initiatives, and asking for prayer for a young Christian Ukraine family. Copies of their newsletter can be found on the reception desk.

Foodbank Request

If you can help please donate and leave in the boxes at the back of church. UHT semi skimmed milk, instant pasta, tins of corned beef, spaghetti, chicken, macaroni cheese and fruit.

Rental property request

A member of our church family would like to put out a request for a rental property coming up in the foreseeable future. It would be for their daughter and husband, and two young children. It would likely be for up to a year. Please contact the church office for more information.

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Female friend of Andy and Karen Laddell is looking for a rental property if you can help please contact Andy on andrew.ladell@btinternet.com

Study Notes relating to this weeks talk.

Psalm 23

This is a psalm that expresses David's trust in the Lord, using the metaphor of the shepherd, one that David understood well.

1. Go through the psalm and make a list of each of the areas where David trusts God to provide for him.
2. How do these areas of trust relate to your life experience in the very different circumstances of the 21st century?
3. Are there any areas of trust you find more difficult than others? What might hold you back from trusting God in these areas?
4. David's experience is very personal – 'the Lord is MY shepherd'. How did your experience of the Lord as shepherd become personal?
5. When has your trust in God been particularly challenged? How did you come through those challenges?