

St Luke's
Willerby



St Andrew's Kirk Ella

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Prayer Diary – September 2024

<p>Sunday 1st September</p>	<p>We meet together this morning at 9:30 at St Luke's 10:45 at St Andrew's, and at 6:30 this evening at St Andrew's. Give thanks that we are free in this country to meet publicly to worship. Pray for Christians in countries where it's illegal.</p> <p>Christ Church Hessle, a new church plant in the Christ Church Network launches today. Pray that God would use this new faithful church to build up Christians in Hessle and to draw new people into a living relationship with Jesus. Ask God to provide their minister, Adam Johnston and the leadership team with all wisdom and godliness.</p>
<p>Monday 2nd September</p>	<p>Most children and teachers go back to school this week. Pray that Christians in schools would live for Jesus this term, and have plenty of opportunities to share the gospel with their colleagues and classmates. Pray that Christian children starting new schools would be sure that God is with them.</p>
<p>Tuesday 3rd September</p>	<p>Praise God for the ministry of Friendly Community Spaces at St Luke's each Tuesday. Pray that Christians who attend would be intentional about praying for and taking opportunities to share the gospel with non-Christians who also attend.</p> <p>We meet to pray at 7:45 for 8pm at the Memorial Hall this evening. Ask God to increase our churches' commitment to gathering for corporate prayer during the coming year.</p>
<p>Weds 4th September</p>	<p>Give thanks for St Luke's Toddler Group as it restarts after the summer. Pray that one non-Christian connected to it would become a follower of Jesus this term.</p> <p>Praise God for the 10:30am BCP communion service. Give thanks for the new people he has drawn to us through it. Pray that he would continue to add to our number.</p>
<p>Thursday 5th September</p>	<p>Pray for those who work behind the scenes to make the churches and the benefice run smoothly. Pray that they would always find joy in their part in the ministry.</p>
<p>Friday 6th September</p>	<p>Pray that Faith on Friday would be a source of spiritual growth and encouragement for the ladies who attend.</p>

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	LaunchPad, Rockets and Impact all restart this afternoon and evening. Pray that all those who attended last term would return and bring a friend with them.
Saturday 7th September	Pray for Greg and Caroline as they are married at St Andrew's this afternoon.
Sunday 8th September	We return to our series in 2 Corinthians this morning. Pray that through it God would teach you and the whole church family more and more about the Lord Jesus, and that we would all grow in our confidence as his people.
Monday 9th September	The Bible Storytelling Team (formerly Open the Book) are in St Andrew's School this morning and Carr Lane on Thursday. Pray that God would open the hearts of the children and teachers to his word.
Tuesday 10th September	Praise God for Little Stars that restarts today. Pray that relationships with families would continue to develop and that there would be plenty of opportunity to share the good news of Jesus with many. Growth Groups meet today, tomorrow, and Thursday, many of them for the first time after a summer break. Pray that each gets off to a good start and that all new members find a warm welcome.
Weds 11th September	Pray that a distinctly Christian community would once again develop at St Luke's Toddler Group this school year. Give tanks for the BCP Communion Service at St Andrew's this morning, particularly the way in which it provides a spiritual home for d=some who can't make Sunday church, and provides midweek spiritual sustenance for others.
Thursday 12th September	Give thanks that the Mums' Book Group has grown over the summer. Pray that all who attend would find useful wisdom in the book they're reading together, and meaningful friendships with other mums. It's Pub Night tonight in the Wheatsheaf. Give thanks for the possibility of meeting there for fellowship and conversation.
Friday 13th September	Give thanks for Sally Hopkinson (LaunchPad), Pete Hopkinson (Rockets) and Ash Carter (Impact) as they head up each of these ministries among children and youth. Pray for energy, inspiration and continued diligence in prayer and practical matters for them this term.
Saturday 14th September	Give thanks for our Staff Team. Pray that they would work hard and yet pace themselves wisely for the long term ahead.
Sunday 15th September	We meet today around God's word and his table this morning. Pray that God would teach each one of us. Pray also for the evening service and give thanks that there are an increasing number of young adults attending.
Monday 16th September	Pray that many from our churches and further afield would book to come to Psalm Roar on Saturday.

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	Give thanks that the members of St Andrew's Church Council which meets tonight are willing to serve the church in this way. Pray that they would always make godly decisions and provide wise counsel.
Tuesday 17th September	Praise God that he has given us opportunity to serve such a wide range of people today at Men's Coffee Morning Jolly, Friendly Community Space, and Little Stars . Pray that each one of these events would glorify the Lord Jesus in word and deed.
Wednesday 18th September	Give thanks for all those who look after our buildings and oversee their good order, cleanliness, and management. Pray for ongoing wisdom as to how to use each one to its potential for the gospel.
Thursday 19th September	Pray for the ministry of the Bible Storytelling Team who are in Carr Lane School this morning. Give thanks for the Women's Christian Book Club meeting this evening at St Luke's. Pray that it would continue to be an encouragement to those who attend, and a welcoming place for newcomers.
Friday 20th September	Give thanks for all the helpers in our children's and youth work across all ages, both churches and in the local schools. Pray that God would help them in their work, and that new helpers would be raised up from among the church family.
Saturday 21st September	Pray that Psalm Roar would be an amazing time of singing God's word together and having lots of fun as we are also encouraged in the faith. Give thanks for Tim Vasby-Burnie who runs these events across the country.
Sunday 22nd September	Pray that we as church families would remember to always trust only God even in a sometimes very messy world . Pray that as we meet together God would minister to each one of us as we need.
Monday 23rd September	Ash and John are at the ReNew Conference in Leeds today and tomorrow . Pray that the conference would fulfil its role in advancing Anglican Evangelical ministries for the salvation of England by pioneering, establishing, and securing healthy local churches. Pray for the Bible Storytelling Team in St Andrew's School today and Carr Lane School on Thursday.
Tuesday 24th September	Growth groups meet today, tomorrow, and Thursday . Pray that each member would gain a deeper understanding of and love for God as they encounter Jesus in his Word.
Weds 25th September	Praise God for St Andrew's Flower Guild and those who make St Luke's look beautiful with flowers . Pray for them Over the coming two weeks as they prepare the church buildings for the upcoming Harvest Festivals.
Thursday 26th September	Give thanks for the various groups that hire St Luke's Hall and the Memorial Hall . Pray that members would see information about

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	church activities and that some would begin attending on Sundays or midweek.
Friday 27th September	Pray that Friendship Club would be a source of genuine, Christ centred friendships this afternoon. Pray for the children and youth at LaunchPad, Rockets and Impact who haven't yet made a commitment to Christ . Pray that they would come to faith this term.
Saturday 28th September	Give thanks that God does truly work through his word, and that over the last year he's brought a number of new people at both our churches to faith through reading the Bible at home. Pray that many more would find dusty old Bibles, open them and be brought into God's Kingdom.
Sunday 29th September	Think of three people in our church families who you are likely to see today and pray these words adapted from Ephesians 1 for them: <i>May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, give them the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that they may know him better. I pray that the eyes of their hearts may be enlightened in order that they may know the hope to which he has called them, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people, and his incomparably great power for us who believe.</i>
Monday 30th September	Give thanks that the members of St Luke's Church Council which meets tonight are willing to serve the church in this way. Pray that they would always make godly decisions and provide wise counsel.

For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich. (2 Corinthians 8:9)

Our Benefice Vision

We are one people with all kinds of pasts and backgrounds, graciously forgiven at the cross and called together by God encouraging one another to be faithful to our risen Saviour Jesus in the power of the Spirit by living our whole lives according to his word, and by making Him known throughout Willerby and Kirk Ella, and beyond.

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