

# St Andrew's Kirk Ella

## Church Family News

### Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2024

If you are new today, or a visitor, we are very glad to see you. If you would like to know more about our church family please visit the welcome desk.

<b>Sunday</b>	Holy Communion, 10.45 am Carols by Candlelight, 4 pm Carols by Candlelight 7 pm
<b>Tuesday</b>	Little Stars, 1.30 – 3 pm, Memorial Hall
<b>Thursday</b>	Mum's book group, 1 pm, Fiona Rogers' House Women's Christian Book Club, 7.45 pm, St Luke's
<b>Friday</b>	Prayers, 9 am, Zoom
<b>Sunday</b>	Morning Prayer, 10.45 am Contemporary Carols, 6.30 pm

Bible readings for the coming weeks can be found at [https://www.kirkellachurch.com/pjp/calendar\\_frame/render\\_frame](https://www.kirkellachurch.com/pjp/calendar_frame/render_frame) (click on the following Sunday's service and the arrow) and recordings of previous sermons can be found at <https://www.kirkellachurch.com/pjp/mediaevent/search>

**For recent news and what's coming up in the next few weeks and months, visit [www.kirkellachurch.com](http://www.kirkellachurch.com). This news sheet can also be found on the website and will stay there for one month.**



**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December – Prayers.** If you'd like to join the Zoom Prayer meeting at 9 am, here are the details:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/99816377207?pwd=UTduWE56MTZkeWFhRFQrbThFS1RLUT09>

Meeting ID: 998 1637 7207

Passcode: 277854

**Christmas bookstall** – John will again be holding a church bookstall at the back of church. It will run from 1<sup>st</sup> December and throughout the month. A good opportunity to purchase Christmas presents.

## **Christmas Eve Carols – Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> December 4pm**

We are looking for lots of people to get involved in the Christmas Eve Carols Service at 4pm on Christmas Eve.

We need the following:

A team to prepare and serve mulled wine and mince pies

A team to light candles, and put them out as well

Welcomers and stewards

Essentially, we would love everyone who is around to help us in one or other of these ways. Please let Liz know and indicate which service you'll be attending.

**Service times over the Christmas period** – There will be no midweek communion service now until 8<sup>th</sup> January. There will be no evening service on 29<sup>th</sup> December. All other weekly services will continue as normal.

**Church office opening times over Christmas** – The church office will close on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December and will reopen on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January.

**Help keep Sunday Groups children warm!** - This term we have split the Sunday Groups children back into two groups, so as well as using the new carpeted space one group meets in the corridor area. This can get a little chilly and we'd like your help to keep the area as warm as possible. Please can we ask anyone coming into church via the side door to fully close the door as quickly as you can, or preferably to use the main church doors if possible.

### **Can you help with any of the following:**

Bible Storytelling Assemblies (formerly known as Open the book)

Helping at Impact – 11-18s group on a Friday night (especially women)

Ignite – 11-14s group on a Sunday morning

Pastoral Care Team

If you can help please speak to either the relevant team leader or Liz

### **Church Office Opening Hours**

The Church Office is open to visitors as follows:

**Tuesdays**      10 am - 12 noon

**Thursdays**    10 am - 12 noon

At other times please leave Liz a message on the answerphone (01482 654713) or send her an email and she will respond to you as soon as possible. –

[admin@kirkellachurch.com](mailto:admin@kirkellachurch.com)

Staff day off is Saturday.

## **Emergency contacts for the coming week**

If you need to contact someone in the church urgently please contact as follows:  
(the person listed first is the first port of call)

Buildings: Ash Carter 01482 653040, Andrew Blackburn 01482 631854

Safeguarding: Rachel Fulford 07375 829707, Ash Carter 01482 653040

Pastoral Care: Ash Carter 01482 653040, John Telford 01482 575232

Other: Ash Carter 01482 653040, John Telford 01482 575232

## Christmas at St Andrew's and St Luke's Churches

### December

(Our usual Sunday services will still be taking place throughout December apart from there will be no Sunday evening service on 29<sup>th</sup> December.)

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> Carols by Candlelight Service @ St Andrew's, 4 pm  
Carols by Candlelight Service @ St Andrew's, 7 pm

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> Family Nativity Service @ St Luke's. 9.30am  
Contemporary Carols @ St Andrew's, 6.30pm

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> Christmas Eve Carol Service @ St Luke's, 4 pm  
Christmas Eve All-age Service @ St Andrew's, 4 pm  
Christmas Eve Holy Communion @ St Andrew's, 11 pm

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> Christmas morning service with Communion @ St Luke's, 9.30 am  
Christmas morning Service with Communion @ St Andrew's, 10.45 am

Details of all our service times and midweek activities for all ages can be found on the website – [www.kirkellachurch.com](http://www.kirkellachurch.com)

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