



Newsletter

(16) Sunday 28 Oct to Saturday 10 Nov 2018

Our aim is to *KNOW* God through Jesus,
GROW in faith, and *SHOW* God's love in our community



Rick Thompson writes...

I have made many choices in my life and looking back I don't regret them.

One of my choices was to reject concrete jungle and to get back to nature. When I was 16/18 I went cycling in the countryside on a regular basis with the Cycle Touring Club and older rambling with an interest in nature and foraging for wild edible plants.

Another choice was pacifism and CND with its multilateral disarmament which led me to reject experiments on animals and then veganism (live and let live).

At school I chose science instead of the arts which has led me to feel excited about discoveries in space, computers, and modern technology which all seem to be a bit miraculous.

I chose Christianity instead of other religions but I wonder if the choices I made in life chose me?

With veganism, Christianity, etc I had a choice to speak out, or to live a quiet life. I chose not to be an activist but to live a quiet life. (see 1 Thessalonians 4 v 11 ... and to make it your ambition to lead a quiet life: You should mind your own business and work with your hands, just as we told you, NIV)

Over the years my beliefs in pacifism have changed (see Romans 12 v 18 If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone. NIV) 'If it is possible' means it may not be possible.

The choices I made seem to have been tailored made for me. I hope the choices you make will be a blessing to you and something you won't regret.

REGULAR SERVICES

Sundays:

St Paul's 10am: 28 Oct HC (LPL/Lorraine Quinn) 4 Nov Baptism (LPL)

St Andrew's 11am: 28 Oct HC (MD/AWD) 4 Nov HC (MD)

Christian Meditation: Sun 7.30-8.30pm (details 792-1098)

Morning Prayers: Mon; Tues (9am); Weds (9.15am)

Night Prayers Tues: 8.45pm (details from 798 6917)

Wednesdays:

St Paul's 10am: Holy Communion (31 Oct – MD 7 Nov – LPL)

St Andrew's 2pm: Prayers (HM)

Bible Readings

28 Oct Isaiah 55:1-11 & John 5:26b to end. (Psalm 19: 7 to end)

31 Oct Ephesians 6:1-9 & Luke 13:22-30.

4 Nov Wisdom 3:1-9 & John 33 – 44.

7 Nov Psalm 27:1-15 & Luke 14:25-33.

DIARY DATES

Sun 28 Oct don't forget that the clocks go back 1 hour but the morning service remains at the same time!!

Thur 1 Nov All Saints' Day.

Sat 3 Nov from 1pm Messy Church at St. Andrew's the topic will be Daniel in the lion's den.

FUTURE DATES AND NOTICES

Sun 11 Nov 10.30am Joint Remembrance Service and Parade at St. Paul's. Please note that Act of Remembrance for 4pm has been cancelled.

SPECIAL MESSAGES

Thank you for the emails you send, I do enjoy reading them. I don't have a computer by my daughter does. Hope all is well with everyone at the church. Just to let you know I am going to Kenya to stay with Nicholas and his family, for Christmas. I fly out on the 18th December till 15th January 2019. Please could you ask anyone if they have any old reading glasses for the people at the church in Kenya. If they have that would be wonderful, if not no probs. Love Cora Williams. Please give glasses to Anthea at St. Paul's and Val at St. Andrew's.

SHOE BOX APPEAL

Please could you help in any way with the shoe box appeal again this year?

You can help in many ways -

- Fill an individual shoe box.
 - Bring items to go in the shoe boxes eg. soap, toothpaste, shower gel etc.
 - Donate money for items or postage
 - Come along and help fill the boxes – on Tuesday 6th November in St Paul's at 1.30pm
 - pray for those who receive the boxes
- Have a look at the photos and information on the notice board. Please note 4 November is the last chance to bring items for filling or filled boxes. Labels available from Eileen. We still need soap, shower gel (up to 300ml) and men's razors.

PLEASE NOTE THE QUIZ NIGHT WHICH WAS TO BE HELD ON THUR 15 NOVEMBER AT ST PAUL'S HAS BEEN CANCELLED.

The Parish Christmas Fair this year will be on 24 November 2018 11-1 pm. We welcome donations for stalls and offers of help for setting out (Fri 23 Nov pm) and clearing away afterwards. Donations for tombola and raffle prizes, toys, children's clothes, fancy goods, jewellery, handbags, games etc. welcome at any time. Please- no books this year. keep the date free and tell your friends!

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From Revd Lee

Some of you may have noticed after Lisa left that service leaders gradually stopped preaching at both of our churches on the same day, and started leading/preaching at one or other of them each week. When I arrived, both ways of doing things were explained to me, and I asked my colleagues to let me know which they would prefer going forward. Our joint decision was to keep to just being at one or other of the churches each week. We made this decision because we like to have time to be with people before and after the service, being available if you want to talk to us. So when we decide who is going where, that's the principle we work to.

Over the past few weeks there have been some comments passed in one of our churches about me not being seen there every Sunday. So I've decided to be at both churches every week from now on. On my St Paul's weeks, I'll go to St Andrew's after I've led a service, and on my St Andrew's weeks, I'll go to St Paul's first. I'm very happy to do this, but it is going to mean I won't have as much time to talk to people before and after services as I would like. We're also going to start putting in the Newsletter who is leading and preaching at each Church, so everybody knows who is where each week. I hope this sets minds at rest among those who have had concerns.

Here's a key to the regular names:

LPL – Revd Lee; MD – Revd Mike;
HS – Revd Hilary; NP – Canon Noel;
AWD – Anthea; KD – Kath; AR – Anne;
HM – Heather; BP – Beryl.

Sat 8 Dec 9.45 to 3pm at St. Paul's
'Preparing for Christmas.
am Reflect and preparing for Christmas led by Revd. Lee.
Enjoy a shared lunch.
pm Various Christmas activities.
All welcome – no charge.

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