



# St Andrews Update 201



**Sunday 17th August 2025.**

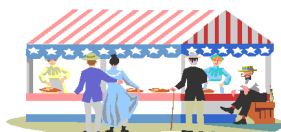
**10:00 Parish Communion Service.**



The Friends of Kent Churches sponsored cycle ride and stride is on September 13<sup>th</sup>. See Marion for details and sponsor forms.



We have branded sweatshirts, hoodies, T-shirts, notebooks, bags and lots more besides, all with our fabulous, new St. Andrew's logo or our 100-year logo. You can order yours here: <https://imageideasshop.co.uk> using the passcode SABH2025. We also have the mugs for sale in church at £8 each or two for £15.



Sign up to help at our August Fair on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> by running a stall or giving someone a break so that they can also have a go at the Tombola or "play your cards right".

Remember to come to "Café Church" the day after.



From an epitaph in the War Cemetery in Kohima which commemorates the fallen of the Battle of Kohima in April 1944.

When you go home, tell them of us and say

"For their tomorrow, we gave our today."

J.M. Edwards



## Celebrating Our Café Community

Since launching in January, our Wednesday community café (10am – 12 noon) has welcomed over 40 different people — and this week was our busiest yet, with 20 friendly faces gathered together! It's been a joy to serve plenty of tea, coffee, and food, run a quiz, and, most importantly, spend time chatting with everyone. The café is becoming a space where people feel at home — and that's exactly what we hoped for.

If you've ever thought about helping out, even just once a month, I'd love to hear from you. It's a great way to get involved, meet people, and be part of something that's really growing.

Thank you to everyone who's made it such a special space!

Rev Anthea

## Hymns for August 17<sup>th</sup>

Hymn 1 – 596 One Shall Tell Another

Hymn 2 – 452 Longing for Light

Hymn 3 (Offertory) – 73 Bind us Together  
Lord

Communion hymns – 205, the Servant King  
and 337, I the Lord of Sea and Sky

Hymn 4 – God is working his purpose out

**COMMUNITY CAFÉ - Our free Community Cafe is open **Wednesdays** from **10:00 – 12:00**** If you feel able to help, then please let Anthea know.

**Sunday 24th August 2025.**

**10:00 Family & Children Service.**

## Reading for 17/08/2025

### First Reading – Isaiah 5.1-7

Let me sing for my beloved

my love-song concerning his vineyard: My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill. He dug it and cleared it of stones, and planted it with choice vines; he built a watch-tower in the midst of it, and hewed out a wine vat in it; he expected it to yield grapes, but it yielded wild grapes.

And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and people of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard. What more was there to do for my vineyard that I have not done in it? When I expected it to yield grapes, why did it yield wild grapes?

And now I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard. I will remove its hedge,

and it shall be devoured; I will break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down. I will make it a waste; it shall not be pruned or hoed, and it shall be overgrown with briars and thorns; I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it.

For the vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the house of Israel, and the people of Judah are his pleasant planting; he expected justice, but saw bloodshed; righteousness, but heard a cry!

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke 12.49-56

Glory to you, O Lord.

‘I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! From now on, five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; they will be divided:

father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.’

He also said to the crowds, ‘When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, “It is going to rain”; and so it happens. And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, “There will be scorching heat”; and it happens. You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.