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WELCOME TO ST ANDREW'S

Sunday 3 March, The Sunday next before Lent

If you are a visitor, please do introduce yourself to the chaplain or to one of our welcomers. Toilets are downstairs.

8:30 Holy Communion (traditional language)

11:00 Holy Communion with Sunday school group for children. Children leave after the first hymn. There is also a play area for small children in the room beside the church. Refreshments are served after the service.

Leader and Preacher: The Chaplain

Intercessions: Mark Willson

Chalices: Sara Harris, Liz Bearman

Hymns

93 - Christ, whose glory fills the skies
60 - Be still for the presence of the Lord
699 - We hail thy glorious presence
240 - Guide me, O thou great

During communion:

265 - Here, O my Lord
442 - May the fragrance of Jesus
767 - In the Lord is my joy

***Collect: Holy God, you know the disorder of our sinful lives:
set straight our crooked hearts,
and bend our wills to love your goodness and your glory
in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen***

Reading: Exodus 34.29-35 (Sarah Parry)

29 Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. ³⁰When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. ³¹But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. ³²Afterwards all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the LORD had

spoken with him on Mount Sinai. ³³When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; ³⁴but whenever Moses went in before the LORD to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, ³⁵the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

Psalm 99

1 The Lord is king: let the peoples tremble;

he is enthroned above the cherubim: let the earth shake.

2 The Lord is great in Zion and high above all peoples.

3 Let them praise your name, which is great and awesome;
the Lord our God is holy.

**4 Mighty king, who loves justice, you have established equity;
you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.**

5 Exalt the Lord our God; bow down before his footstool, for he is holy.

6 Moses and Aaron among his priests

**and Samuel among those who call upon his name;
they called upon the Lord and he answered them.**

7 He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud;

they kept his testimonies and the law that he gave them.

8 You answered them, O Lord our God;

you were a God who forgave them and pardoned them for their offences.

9 Exalt the Lord our God and worship him upon his holy hill,
for the Lord our God is holy.

All: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,

As it was in the beginning, is now and shall be forever. Amen

Reading: 2 Corinthians 3.12 - 4.2 (Alison Rogers)

¹²Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, ¹³not like Moses, who put a veil over his face to keep the people of Israel from gazing at the end of the glory that was being set aside. ¹⁴But their minds were hardened. Indeed, to this very day, when they hear the reading of the old covenant, that same veil is still there, since only in Christ is it set aside. ¹⁵Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; ¹⁶but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. ¹⁷Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. ¹⁸And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit.

4Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. ²We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practise cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God.

Gospel: Luke 9.28-36

28 Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. ²⁹And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. ³⁰Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. ³¹They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. ³²Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. ³³Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, 'Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah'—not knowing what he said. ³⁴While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. ³⁵Then from the cloud came a voice that said, 'This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!' ³⁶When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

Forthcoming services

Morning prayer will be said this week in church at 8.30am Monday - Thursday. All are welcome to join us. We finish about 9am.

Tuesday 5 March 17:00 Ladies bible study at the parsonage. Speak to Rachel or Alison if you would like more information.

Ash Wednesday 6 March.

19:00 Holy Communion

20:00 Lecture in Russian in series on the history of the English Church. A new beginning: The Anglo-Saxons, Romans and Irish

Sunday 10 March

8:30 Holy Communion (traditional language)

11:00 Holy Communion for all ages, followed by a simple soup lunch. Donations in aid of the work of the Church Mission Society

13:15 (or after lunch): Lent course in parsonage and student bible study in church

Other Dates

Sunday 7 April after lunch, **St Andrew's Annual General Meeting**

Please make sure that you have signed up on the new electoral role register, if you are eligible. If you are baptised, regularly worshipping with us (i.e. most Sundays or Wednesdays). Speak to Sara Harris for more details.

Monday 15 April 19:00 **Pub Quiz**

Saturday 15 June 12-17:00 **Summer fete.**

Congratulations to Daniel and Polina who announced last Sunday that they plan to get married on the 29 June.

Daily Bible readings

Daily bible readings can be found on the **Daily Prayer app**. We also have a prayer feed on the **PrayerMate app**. Look for us under 'Churches – European'. Sign up for daily bible readings for Lent at www.churchofengland.org/pilgrim There will also be an app, *Lent and Easter pilgrim*

In your prayers:

Pray for a fund-raising event at the residency that the ambassador is putting on for St Andrew's today. Pray for the \$350k that we need in order to release the city restoration subsidy fund. Please pray for Pat as she heads up this project.

Pray for Dan and the student bible study, and for our Lent course beginning next Sunday: that those who come will meet with God as we study his word together.

Pray for Irina Denisova who is seriously ill in hospital

Pray for those who feel trapped and who need to make difficult decisions

Pray for those who grieve: particularly for Matthew and Becky following the death of their son Harry, and for Anastasia following the death of her daughter

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