

WELCOME TO HOLY TRINITY AND ST ANDREW'S

We are a Word and Spirit church.
Through clear Bible teaching, worship and
ministry led by the Holy Spirit, we want to grow in
faith and become more like Jesus.
We believe Jesus is the Hope of the World
and our desire is to bring others
to know Him too.

The Church's prayer the second Sunday of Advent

Almighty God,
purify our hearts and minds,
that when your Son Jesus
Christ comes again as
judge and saviour
we may be ready to receive him,
who is our Lord and our God. Amen



10 December 2023

Holy Trinity

9.00am Morning Worship

10.45am Contemporary
Worship

Preacher:
Tim Lewis



St Andrews

10.30am Preacher: AJ Walker

14 December

11.00am Midweek
Service @ HT

Preacher:
David Jewel



Church Family News

Derek Stone thanks everyone in the church family for their cards and prayers following the death of his wife Susan. Her funeral will be at Haycombe Crematorium on Monday 18th December at 11,30am, and afterwards at Newton Mill.

Church Directory for 2024 There is still time to add your name to our membership directory for 2024. Please contact Jane or Peter in the church offices or pick up a membership form from church. Deadline: **Monday 11 December**.

Christmas Eve Nativity Trail Still a few slots left. <https://www.htcd.church/events-1/nativity-trail-3>



Please note when selecting your tickets 'Quantity' refers to number of tickets and NOT the number of people in your party.

Urgently required: we still need a priest, a Roman soldier or two and a couple of temple servants for our Christmas Eve Nativity trail, 2.45-5pm! This is such a fun outreach to the village. Costumes are provided. Not much rehearsal required, you don't even have to know your lines. Do let Sharon know asap if it's going to be YOU who meets our need! sharon.blair@htcd.church

Mince pies needed! We would love to serve mince pies after the Carol Service on 17 December. If you can donate a box or two (the mini ones are easiest to eat!) please bring them to the office by Friday 15 December. Thank you!

Jobs at Holy Trinity We are advertising two full time roles: Worship Leader and Media & Communications Officer. Full details on the HTCD website or see links below, Please pass on to anyone you think might be interested.

<https://premierjobsearch.co.uk/job/33964/worship-leader/>

<https://premierjobsearch.co.uk/job/33965/media-and-communications-officer/>

Hats, scarves, gloves, socks and blankets urgently required by Bath City Pastors to hand out in the city centre on Friday and Saturday nights, to revellers and rough sleepers. Please contact D Clark at d2012@btinternet.com if you can donate anything.

Thank you to the Children's teams this Sunday:
Jonah's Crew (Creche). Laura P, Pauline M
Ruth's Crew: Coralie L, Grant P, John S, Penny W
Peter's Crew: Elaine H, Sharon J, Claire M
Andrew's Crew (STACC) Di S

Next Sunday, the children's groups will be joining together for a Christmas Party.
Don't forget to come!

Christmas 2023

- 9 December** Dementia-friendly carol service 1.30pm Holy Trinity
An accessible carol service for everyone, but with emphasis on those living with dementia. Followed by Christmas refreshments
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- 10 December** 3pm Christmas Treasure Hunt and Christingle
This is an event for all ages! Start at St Andrews Community Church for a treasure hunt around Fox Hill and Mulberry Park, and return for a Christingle service.
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- Silent Night 7-8pm Holy Trinity. A beautiful reflective service with music and prayer
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- 16 December** Christmas Float 6-8pm
Starting and finishing at St Andrews sharing Christmas music and the Christmas message around our neighbourhood. Follow the float and share mulled wine and mince pies
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- 17 December** Christmas Carols 10.30am St Andrews
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- 3pm Children's Carol Service Holy Trinity 3pm.
A short service (30-40 minutes) for families with 3-11 year olds It may be silly and fun with some songs for the very young. Come dressed as a character from the nativity
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- Candlelight carols 7pm Holy Trinity. Familiar carols and seasonal songs. A real start to celebrating the birth of Jesus
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- 18 December** Beer and Carols 5.30pm
The Hub
Mulberry Park
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- Christmas Eve** Nativity Trail 3-5pm HT garden, (Booking essential, via HTCD website).
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- Midnight Communion 11.15pm Holy Trinity
- Christmas Day** Christmas Celebration 10am Holy Trinity
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Please pray for:

- Derek Stone and his family following the death of his wife, Susan.
- All our Christmas events, including the Combe Down Primary School plays and services in Holy Trinity next week.

Mission Prayers

Please pray for Pastor Attila and Pastor Otto in Romania and for their families. They face massive demands on their time and energy and we need to pray that they will have a good balance of work and rest, of receiving as well as giving in their lives and ministry. Pray especially that Christmas will be a time of joyful refreshment for them.

Genesis Trust

Thanks and praise to God for His ongoing provision, and for mighty blessings on this year's Genesis Christmas appeal

- For the protection for all sleeping outdoors this winter, and the staff and volunteers who support vulnerable and disadvantaged people through the Gateway Centre, 'warm space' provision and the Foodbank centres

- For those who are lonely and isolated to be invited and welcomed into communities offering meals and fellowship

- For all to know the love and peace of God the Father, as we celebrate the birth of our wonderful saviour Jesus Christ this Christmas

Benefice Prayer

Morning Prayer on Mondays and Fridays on Zoom at 9am
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81360641930?pwd=QW5HNXVLd2pzaS8zODVvZ2s4WEFkZz09>

Thursdays at 7am in Holy Trinity

StACC: third Tuesday of each month at 7.30pm.

Emergency prayer chain: If you have an urgent prayer need, you can activate more than 50 people to pray. Please contact Lynne Tisdale (07402931102).

Giving at HT

By Standing Order: (preferred) Forms are available at www.htcd.church/giving or from the Welcome table



QR Code: On display in the Foyer or here:

Card reader for contactless payments (in HT foyer)

By cheque: payable to **Combe Down PCC** please

Online go to www.htcd.church/giving or click on the GIVING tab at the top of the front page of the website

Church Office Contacts

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