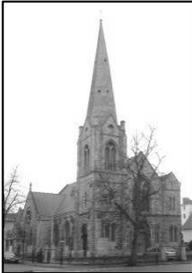


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In Touch

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Welcome to 'In Touch'

The magazine of **Cheltenham United Reformed Church**, a joint pastorate of the three United Reformed Churches in Cheltenham. The three churches work very closely together, sharing this magazine, the website and all activities.



St Andrew's United Reformed Church is in the Montpellier district of Cheltenham town centre. A former Presbyterian church founded in 1885, it became United Reformed on unification in 1972. St Andrew's offers impressive facilities, meeting the needs of 21st century Cheltenham.

Prestbury United Reformed Church is in the heart of Prestbury village on the northern edge of Cheltenham. A former Congregational chapel built in 1866, becoming United Reformed on unification in 1972.



The Church in Warden Hill is a Local Ecumenical Partnership (LEP) between the Anglican (St Christopher's) and URC communities of Up Hatherley and Warden Hill in the south of Cheltenham. Ministry is shared between the URC and Rev Gary Grady of the Anglican South Cheltenham Team Ministry.



Both the Anglican and URC buildings are regularly used for worship.

For other information about the Church in Warden Hill please see 'The Lantern' or visit www.tciwh.org.uk



Jesus said:

"For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them." (Matthew 18 v20 NRSV)

News of the Church Family

We remember those who have departed:

Alister Bathgate, Rev Jack Garside



We are invited to pray for:

The families of Alister Bathgate
and Jack Garside

John, Sandy, Joan, Barbara,
Jean, Joyce



Congratulations

To Mason Owen Crosskey on his Baptism

Thankyou

Fiona and Brian Hall would like to thank all friends for their kind words and messages of sympathy following the death of Alister in May. He was well respected and described by many as a 'true gentleman'. (*Obituary on page 5.*)

Christian Aid

The Street Collection we helped with in Leckhampton has raised over £1500. St Andrew's collection raised £424. Thankyou for your support.

Andrew Veal

URC General Assembly 2020

The URC General Assembly, which currently meets every two years, will be at the University of Aston in Birmingham for the next meeting, from 10th to 13th July 2020. Because this is in West Midlands Synod, we shall be asked to volunteer as Stewards. This is a good opportunity to see how the National organisation of the URC works.

Janet Kemp

**This month's Pastoral letter comes from
Rev Louis Ndekha, Member at St Andrew's**



Dear Friends

One of the challenges the church faces today is the question of relevance. By "relevance," I mean the church's capacity to meet the expectations of both the world outside its four walls and those of its membership. Interestingly, while the problem of relevance is often associated with the experience of the church in the west, the problem is more universal than is sometimes considered. Most churches established through western mission today are also having to negotiate the question of relevance. This problem has become more significant with the emergence of new churches and new ways of doing church especially associated with the Pentecostal and charismatic movement.

I grew up in a village where the church was the rallying point of the community. The school, the clinic and community life revolved around the church with Sunday as the highpoint in the life of the community when almost everyone came to the worship service. In those days the priest's brief case did not only contain liturgical equipment but also medicine which he could dispense even on the road. I remember my aunt who had a perennial problem of lip herpes, was treated by a priest on the road and she has since then been a Christian. Church was relevant to both its membership and to those around it. The context reminds me of Acts 2:47 where the church was internally cohesive and had social graces that had evangelistic implications: those who were to be saved were added to the church daily.

Flipping forward twenty years, the context of the church has significantly changed. I recently visited the village of my younger days. The church is no longer the centre of the community. Its membership has significantly gone down as the village population is distributed among the new churches. It would seem the community has a new definition of relevance for church, and my old church is yet to come to grips with this new reality. This reality reminded me of the perennial challenge the church faces as it negotiates changing tastes across generations. It also reminded me that even the new churches will not always be new, unless they constantly seek ways to be relevant to their context.

Louis Ndekha

The Pulpit in August

At St Andrew's

4 th August	Rev Malachi Munzaneza
11 th August	Rev Tim Watson
18 th August	Rev Dr Dee Brierley-Jones
25 th August	Mr Geoff Tizzard-King



Jump 4 Joy at St Andrew's Next session will be on **15th September** at 9.30am, followed by breakfast. Children of all ages welcome.

At Prestbury

4 th August	Rev Dr Dee Brierley-Jones
11 th August	No Service
18 th August	Mrs Julie Jefferies
25 th August	Dr Tony Jeans

At The Church in Warden Hill

11 th August	Rev Canon Richard Atkins
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Messy Church at the URC Centre, Warden Hill

is on 2nd Sunday of the month at 3.30pm.

(For all other Services at The Church in Warden Hill, please refer to 'The Lantern', www.tciwh.org.uk)

Creative Cards

On sale at Prestbury, St Andrew's
Warden Hill URC Centre and St Christopher's

OBITUARY: Alister Bathgate 1923-2019

Alister was born in Lochee, Dundee on 11 November 1923 where his father was a clerk with the LNER. After the birth of his sister Maisie, the family moved to Cupar in Fife where Alister went to school and obtained his first job as a civilian with Fife Police. He was called up to the Royal Marines and served in Egypt and Italy as well as home postings in St Ives and Hampshire. He was already qualified as a radio operator, so it was no surprise to be recruited by GCHQ to serve at their local outpost at Hawklaw. There he met Betty who had served in the war with the WAAF attached to the 'Y' Service and they married in 1951.

The family moved around the UK with postings to Taunton, Brora, Cheltenham and finally back to Cupar where he was OIC. Alister retired there in 1983 and after Betty's sudden death in 1995 he moved to Cheltenham to be nearer the family. He was an Elder at Cupar and whilst in Cheltenham in the 60's he joined St Andrew's. Latterly at Prestbury, he was an Elder and served as Church Secretary for a time.

Fiona Hall

A Water Feature

Beneath a paving stone rising from lichen'd flags,
A fountain leapt in the sunshine to create rainbows.

Youngsters darted in for a shower and were puzzled when the liquid subsided,
And shrieked with delight when it recharged.

Tourists appeared with cameras to seal a moment's magic;
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Anne Grant

(We wish Anne well in her new home in Scotland)

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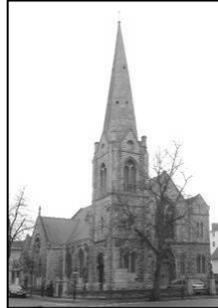
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*****Copied from a Gloucestershire Hospitals poster*****

New Projects

As many are aware, the **Spires** of both St Andrew's and Prestbury United Reformed Churches are in need of major repairs.

The funds will probably take several years to be collected – ideas for fund raising will be gratefully received.



.....and a quick ditty from Geoff:

‘There once was a Church in the town,
Whose spire was tumbling down;
An appeal for some cash
Caused the members to dash
Before they should lose half-a-crown!

Heritage Days

This year participating organizations have been given the choice of when to open, between, 13th and 22nd September

Both St Andrew's and St Christopher's have chosen to open on Saturday 14th September. Stewarding support will be needed in both places.

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Who was Charles Wilson?

Most of us will walk past things on a daily basis and never 'see' anything. Did you know that St Andrew's has two Foundation stones, one for the Church, the other for the Hall both laid by (Mr) Charles Wilson?

Charles Wilson (1817 – 1896) came originally from Co Down in Northern Ireland, brought up as an Irish Presbyterian.

By 1853 Charles was in Melbourne, Australia, where he married Elizabeth Leslie, who had emigrated from Lancashire. Both their children were born in Horsham, Victoria (a frontier town), Harold in 1856 and Frances in 1862. His business interests caused him to be described as a 'wealthy industrialist'.

The family returned to England in the early 1870's and settled in Cheltenham, living in Glendouran House and later on Keynsham Parade. They joined St Andrew's Church when the congregation were still worshipping at the Old Chapel. Charles served as an Alderman in Cheltenham and as an Elder (one of four) at St Andrew's, during the period when the new building (Montpellier Street) was being planned, funded and built.

His very generous gift of £1000 towards the estimated total cost of building (£7500) ensured that the project got under way promptly. Charles Wilson continued to be generous, he covered expenses for all manner of need in the existing church buildings, and in 1878 was elected Chairman of the Building Fund. By 1885 when building commenced, costs had been adjusted to £4000, till more could be raised. Charles Wilson clearly had a major influence in all the decisions made, so he was the natural choice for laying the foundation stone. This ceremony duly happened on 29th September 1885.

He continued to take the lead in the potential selling of the Old Chapel, the building of the Manse and the Church Hall which he again helped to fund, and was again invited to lay the foundation stone for on 16th October 1895.

Charles Wilson died on 16th April 1896 in Cheltenham, aged 80, according to the church records **"the most generous benefactor the church has ever had"**.

Research by Janet Kemp 2018

St Andrew's Charity for August 2019

St. GEORGE'S CHURCH In Baghdad

St. George's Church in Baghdad was originally established in 1864 for expatriates, but is now an entirely Iraqi establishment. It is the only Anglican church in Iraq. The present building dates from 1936 built not only to commemorate all those who had been killed in the First World War but also to serve British soldiers then serving in Iraq. It fell into disuse for many years, but was reinstated after the fall of Saddam Hussein in 2003. It has been looted and bombed by terrorists over the years but is now protected by concrete barriers and an armed guard.

It has a congregation of some 300 Anglican worshippers and a very large and active Mothers Union. The expanded church complex now includes a medical clinic, a kindergarten and a primary school, all of which operate across religious and ethnic boundaries. The staff at the clinic are drawn from Christian and both Sunni and Shia Muslim communities. The clinic includes a dentist and a pharmacy and can carry out laboratory tests. It treats some 80 patients every day and has a good relationship with the Baghdad hospital.

The guiding principle of both the kindergarten and the school is the establishment of mutual respect and harmonious relationships amongst people from different ethnic and faith backgrounds. In the words of the current minister, Revd Faiz Jergees, **"not just to teach them Arabic or English, but also.....teach them how to live together....learn together, eat together and love each other This is very important for the future of Iraq"**.

The Mothers Union, said to be some 3,000 strong, takes on the responsibility for the smooth running of the whole complex, including the prayer ministry. In addition they organise food for some 4,000 people in the local area every week. The Foundation for Relief and Reconciliation in the Middle East (FRRME) is one of major sources of funding for St. George's Baghdad.

Current information can be found on the church website, www.frrme.org, as well as on the website www.anglicannews.org

(A reminder that all our Charities for the month have been chosen by members of the Congregation at St Andrew's)



Community Film

at Warden Hill URC Centre
2.30pm (doors open at 2.15pm)

There will be NO Community Film shown during August

Future Date: 7th September

Tuesday Teas

Come and join us for a good chat over a cup of tea and excellent cake.

In the Garden Room at St Andrew's
2.30pm on 13th August, 10th September

Ann Lewis



On 13th August

Sarah Haden-Godwin from **Active Gloucestershire** will be joining us for tea. Sarah is a physical activity specialist for Older Adults and Disabled People, and Active Gloucestershire have been working on a 'Fall Prevention' programme for the Older Person.

A new booklet contains information on physical activity clubs available throughout the town and notes on easy exercises which you can do in your own home to help you improve your balance and keep yourself moving.

All are welcome, come along and find out more!!

Ann Lewis

ECO

St Andrew's will be actively involved in Vision 21's 25th birthday celebrations

'Vision 21' is 25 this year

Vision21 who run the Repair Cafe will be celebrating their 25th birthday this year and have a number of events and activities planned over the coming months to celebrate. Their general theme is **'What will Sustainability look like in Cheltenham and Gloucestershire in 25 years' time?'** So if you have any thoughts on this, please let me know

Vision 21 will also be celebrating past achievements (which are many) with informative. graphic displays and hopefully some will be interactive. There will be a display of these at St Andrew's later in the year.

These are some of the events planned to whet your appetite:

A Special Repair Café. A light hearted visioning of a Repair café set in 2044 to be filmed on 7th September. Some dressing-up is likely along with a Repaired and Up-Cycling display.

A BIG art competition – 3 age categories with prizes to be won. Winning entries to be displayed on 18th October in the Garden Room and 19th October in The Garden's Gallery, Montpellier. Look out for the posters in the Link Gallery for more details.

Vision21 is hosting a **Climate Emergency Q&A** just for 6th form students at St Andrew's Church, Montpellier St on Friday 18th October from 1:00pm.

ECO

Regeneration and Repair Café

June's Repair café was busy. Thirty-five people brought in over 50 items for repair. There was lots of sewing – just as well we had a new volunteer! And lots of garden tools sharpened. We also had a wooden elephant who needed his trunk fixing. We were pleased to see Trudi who runs community workshops recycling old clothes into something new.

July's café was steady. 37 items were brought in for repair including a lawn mower, some headphones, a printer and very appropriate a Womble electric toy! There was lots of sewing brought in and if anyone is handy with a sewing machine and willing/able to volunteer, Vision 21 would be very grateful to hear from you.

Carol Drummond

Ecobricks – made from plastic bottles

Fed up with all that single use plastic in your bin then why not make an ecobrick. Once complete it can be taken to the Butterfly Centre at Dundry Nurseries and used to build things.

You will need: a long stick (not pointed), a plastic bottle, lots of soft plastic film, scissors

Use the stick to stuff clean, dry plastics into the ecobrick (bottle), packing down firmly as you go. Cut larger pieces of plastic down to more manageable pieces to prevent little pockets of air forming. Those little pockets of air will stop you from being able to fit as much plastic in.

Pack the ecobrick as full as you possibly can.

To seal, simply put the lid on tightly.

Sign and date the ecobrick if you like!

Then take it to the Butterfly Centre.

Thank you



From our 'Special Correspondent'

Sticky Tape and Four-inch Nails

Have you noticed how everyone's repairing stuff instead of ditching it? And what about that that wonderful "Repair Shop" on TV? Let's admit there's a discrepancy between what those experts can do and what we mere mortals can do. Well, I'm one of the discrepancy, and we in the discrepancy aren't anywhere near as clever as "real" repairers

So many new skills needed these days. Not like "the old days" when my father's technical skill was invested in a big hammer and a 4-inch nail, or sometimes just the big hammer, repaired most things that in what he called "a good solid job". For the more delicate work there was always sticky tape to hand. But then you see, I should've been much better. My practical skills were honed, as far as they were honorable, by school woodworking classes, which actually got me a pass at School Certificate. I was being trained to make things that were guaranteed never to need repair. Would have worked fine too, except for one major deficiency: I had no woodworking skills whatsoever, due to what the teacher called an "accident at birth", mine not his: he had a much juicier way of describing it but that'll have to douse your imagination! Nonetheless I qualified in woodwork, so "repair" was never much of a galvanising challenge to anyone in my family. "Old whatisname'll fix it" was the usual understanding, and there usually was an "old whatisname" on hand.

However, not everything can be repaired, so what then? Well, there's recycling and upcycling. Yeah, OK, but what about a bit of downcycling? Much more rewarding that, smashing up old cupboards or three-piece suites, or if you're musical, old pianos – see, big hammers have their uses.

What's all this about? Well, these memories were triggered by that newspaper article on the St.Andrew's notice board about the **Repair and Regeneration Café**. Not a single mention of big hammers, four inch-nails or sticky tape, so those repairers and regenerators must be good. I bet there's loads of stuff around that could be repaired. Worth giving them a try?

Keith Norcott, (qualified woodworker!)

Prestbury Coffee Mornings

Our next monthly coffee mornings will be on:

Saturday 3rd August

From 10.30am until 12.00noon

As ever, the legendary toasted teacakes will be on offer!

There will also be a raffle, cakes and books for sale.

Plenty of conversation guaranteed!



Prestbury Friday Circle

This Social Group has been running at the URC for a couple of years now from 10 am till Noon every Friday morning. Conversation and refreshments guaranteed every week, but sometimes there will be games, quizzes, bingo and live music.

All Welcome – just drop by and see what's happening!

Fiona Hall

Dancing for the Community

A few months ago I read a letter in the magazine asking for volunteers to visit a nursing home to talk to and entertain the residents.

As a member of the Royal Scottish Country Dance Society, I teach and run a demonstration team and we are able to go out and do displays, so I offered our services. After 2 or 3 attempts we have managed to arrange a date and will be visiting on Saturday 3rd August.

At about the same time one of my dancers told me that Charlton Kings Baptist Church were looking for dancers. When I contacted them I was told they were arranging a day for people who were unable, for various reasons, to go on holiday and were planning a variety of activities for them. Somehow in their planning they were at Blackpool and from there the thinking went to Strictly Come Dancing and finally to Scottish dancing and my team. We will be going to visit them on Monday 5th August.

When we go we never know who we will meet and what their stories will be, but it is always interesting and worthwhile.

Anne Walker.

Chairman and Teacher. RSCDS Cheltenham Branch.

Footsloggers

The Footsloggers is a **Walking Group** for all ages, abilities and dogs organised by members of the URC in Cheltenham. We meet once a month and do a circular walk of about 3 miles and then have lunch together. As different people organise the walks we visit a variety of areas centred on Cheltenham.

The dates that we are meeting during 2019 are as follows:

Monday August 19th Friday September 13th

Monday October 14th Friday November 15th

Monday December 9th Friday January 10th 2020

Our Saturday Evening Social will be held on 2nd November 2019



If anyone would like details of future outings so you can join us for either a walk, a lunch or both please contact me. You can email me at footsloggers@urcic.org.uk.

All are welcome to join us. I look forward to hearing from you.

Jenny Evans

Monday 17th June Lydney

Fourteen of us met at Lydney Docks (on a dry day fortunately!!) and enjoyed the vista across the Severn Estuary and the view of the two Severn Road bridges which could be seen in the distance. There is a one mile of canal which runs inland from the river to Lydney. This was opened in 1813 to transport iron and coal from the Forest of Dean. At that time it was a very busy dock but today it is quiet and tranquil. We enjoyed the walk along the Lydney cliff and then on to Naas Lane opening up to a view of the Forest of Dean.

We passed Naas House built for the Jones family (William Jones was founder of the Haberdashers' Company in London) in the 17th century. The house has mullioned windows, string courses and parapeted gables with a central turret and cupola - very impressive. In 1771 Mary Jones daughter of the owners was murdered on her way home from a dinner at the rectory at Lydney and soon after this the family moved to Newnham.

After an easy walk our morning finished with an excellent lunch at the White Hart, Broadoak.

Ann Lewis

Do you Walk?



Do you Cycle?

Drive a car?



Will you be taking part in **Ride and Stride** this year?

Both St Andrew's and The Church in Warden Hill will be taking part on Saturday 14th September.

Ride and Stride is an annual sponsored event in which people from all over the country raise money to support their local Christian places of worship. The event is operated in association with the National Churches Trust. This year on **Saturday 14 September 2019**.



The **Ride and Stride** event is open to cyclists, walkers, horse riders and drivers.

The target is to raise money for the church by being sponsored for visiting as many Churches as possible on the day, by whatever means.

Sponsorship forms are available from St Andrew's and St Christopher's, both churches will be open on 14th September

Each church visited on the day will be recorded on the sponsorship form by a representative of the church initialing the form.

You can raise money as an individual or you can be part of a group which must consist of at least 3 members.

If you cannot cycle, walk or drive from church to church, perhaps you can be sponsored for something else?

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St Andrew's Lunch Club

St Andrew's URC, Montpellier Street

OPEN to ALL

Does a lovely bowl of thick, homemade soup with a fresh bread roll, followed by a homemade pudding interest you??

Then join us on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of every month at 1.00pm and bring a friend.

Qi Gong at St Andrew's

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Future dates to be advised. **New Members are always welcome.**

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Wednesday Social Group at Warden Hill URCC

2nd May. A perfect afternoon at the Newent Birds of Prey Centre – the sun shone brightly – the strawberry jam and cream were thickly spread – the birds flew – diving past their entranced audiences, sometimes rather too close. The company as per usual was happy and oh so chatty.

12th June Dascia gave us a fascinating talk on Hinduism, a topic on which most of us were almost totally ill informed. The talk was illustrated with lots of signs of the faith. One symbol – especially interesting – could easily be confused with the Nazi Swastika. Now we know how to differentiate!

26th June Another well attended and very helpful meeting. Much enjoyed by the members. Age UK and SSAFA told us about all the help that is available to us senior citizens. No one would have guessed how much is there to help if you know your way round the ropes. Don't be too self effacing to not seek the help available. Don't stand back lonely!

10th July Our meeting took us from the 15th century to the present in the company of Tony and Sandra Jeans. We learnt the fascinating story of **“The House that Moved”!** The House is a beautiful detached timber framed building that was moved from near the Tesco site in Cheltenham, to a site opposite Dowdeswell Reservoir near Rossley Manor. What stories it must have seen and how many families lived, loved and died in it's rooms. An astounding amount of patient research uncovered it's history. With wonderful photos and maps, past Cheltenham was presented to us. Thank you Tony and Sandra.

Come and join the Group, for fun and friendship in 2019 and beyond. Don't be shy, a warm welcome awaits you.

We meet on the **2nd and 4th Wednesday afternoons in the month at 2.00pm, at the URC Centre.**

Please spread the word.



John Howe



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An Invitation to ALL

Friday 11th October from 5.30pm
to Saturday 12th October 4.30pm
At the Holiday Inn, Birmingham Airport.

For further details please talk to your Church Secretary:
Janet, Fiona or Brian
Lifts can be arranged
Grants are available.

Our Contribution to Greenbelt 2019

A collection of fabric 'postcards' for display at the festival.



From The Editor

Dear Friends

August and the school holidays are upon us. I know many of you will be helping out with 'Grandparent' duties of various types. Have a wonderful time with your youngsters. However if you need a diversion, Brian Miles has a quantity of videos that he is forming into a library for the use of us all. The list will be published next month, but meanwhile if you need something please contact Brian direct.

Often, our own holidays are at other times of the year, I have been to the 'Celtic Fringe' this year – Orkney and Shetland at midsummer were amazing. Good clean air, fabulous scenery and history, all with an excellent welcome.

My favourite Celtic Blessing:

**'May the road rise up to meet you. May the wind be always at your back.
May the sun shine warm upon your face.
May the rain fall soft upon your field, and until we meet again, may God hold
you in the palm of his hand.'**

Janet

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Diary for August 2019

Thu	1	2.00pm	Prayer Group	St Christopher's
Sat	3	10.00am	Regeneration/Repair Café	St Andrew's
Sat	3	10.30am	Coffee Morning	Prestbury
Wed	7	1.00pm	Lunch Club	St Andrew's
Tue	13	2.30pm	Tuesday Tea	St Andrew's
Wed	14	2.00pm	Wednesday Social Group	Warden Hill URCC
Thu	15	2.00pm	Prayer Group	St Christopher's
SUN	18	3.15pm	Deaf Community Church	St Christopher's
Mon	19		Footsloggers	
Wed	21	1.00pm	Lunch Club	St Andrew's
Wed	28	2.00pm	Wednesday Social Group	Warden Hill URCC
Thu	29	2.00pm	Prayer Group	St Christopher's

Diary for September 2019

Wed	4	1.00pm	Lunch Club	St Andrew's
Wed	4	7.30pm	Wednesday Women	St Andrew's
Sat	7	10.00am	Regeneration/Repair Café	St Andrew's
Sat	7	10.30am	Coffee Morning	Prestbury

Saturday Mornings at St Andrew's

Do you have contacts with any Charities that might like to hire St Andrew's Garden Room and Kitchen at a flat fee of £35 on Saturday mornings for their own Charity Coffee Mornings?

If you know of any charity that would be interested please pass the message on.

Regular Weekly Events 2019

** Term Time Only

Monday

10.00am	Prestbury Urchins	Prestbury URC**
5.15pm	Rainbows	Warden Hill URC Centre**

Tuesday

10.00am	St Andrew's Parents & Toddlers	St Andrew's
5.15pm	Brownies	Warden Hill URC Centre**
7.30pm	Bible Study House Group	St Christopher's**

Wednesday

9.15am	Little Shepherds	St Christopher's**
7.00pm	Bellringing	St Christopher's

Thursday

5.30pm	Beavers	St Christopher's**
6.00pm	Brownies	St Christopher's**
6.45pm	Cubs	St Christopher's**
7.45pm	Scouts	St Christopher's**

Friday

10.00am	Friday Circle	Prestbury URC
10.30am	Bible Study House Group	51 Bournside Road**
6.15pm	TCiWH Choir Practice	St Christopher's

(Please see 'The Lantern', Magazine for the Church in Warden Hill for other activities. Ed.)

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Church Services

St Andrew's URC

Every Sunday	11.00am	<i>Morning Worship</i>
1 st Sunday		<i>Communion Service</i>
2 nd Sunday	10.15am	<i>Prayer Time</i>
3 rd Sunday	9.30am	<i>Jump4Joy (for all the family)</i>

Prestbury URC

1 st Sunday	10.30am	<i>All-age Worship</i>
3 rd Sunday	10.30am	<i>Morning Worship</i>
4 th Sunday	10.30am	<i>Communion</i>
2 nd & 5 th Sunday		<i>No service</i>

The Church in Warden Hill

Sunday morning services are **all** held at **St Christopher's**

1 st Sunday	10.30am	<i>Family Worship</i>
2 nd Sunday	10.30am	<i>Communion in the URC tradition</i>
3 rd Sunday	10.30am	<i>Morning Worship</i>
4 th Sunday	10.30am	<i>Communion in the Anglican tradition</i>
5 th Sunday	10.30am	<i>Morning Worship</i>
2 nd Sunday	3.30pm	<i>Messy Church at URC Centre</i>

Evening services are at St Christopher's **except** 4th Sunday at URCC

1 st Sunday	6.00pm	<i>Communion in the Anglican tradition</i>
2 nd Sunday	6.00pm	<i>Evensong</i>
3 rd Sunday	6.00pm	<i>Evensong</i>
4 th Sunday	6.00pm	<i>Evening Worship at URC Centre</i>
5 th Sunday	6.00pm	<i>Choral Evensong</i>

Weekdays

Monday-Friday	8.00 am	<i>Morning Prayer at St Christopher's</i>
Tuesday	10.30am	<i>Communion at URC Centre</i>