



PEWS NEWS

Sunday 19th November 2023
(2nd Sunday before Advent)

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Safeguarding: If you've any concerns about the wellbeing of a child or vulnerable adult at this church please contact the Rector or safeguarding@girton.church

Please forward items for **Pews News** to office@girton.church

Services

Our 10am Sunday services are usually broadcast on **YouTube**. If you'd rather not appear on this then please ask a sidesperson for advice on where to sit.

Sunday 19th November
(2nd Sunday before Advent)
10am - Holy Communion (CW)
Preacher: Dr Douglas de Lacey
10am - St Andrew's 4 Kids
6pm - Evening Prayer (BCP)
Preacher: Susan Rawlings (LLM)

Tuesday 21st November
9am - Morning Prayer (said)
2.15pm - Arlington Manor Communion
Leader: Revd. Michael Bigg

Wednesday 22nd November
9am - Morning Prayer (said) (online)

Thursday 23rd November
9am - Morning Prayer(said) (online)
9pm - Compline (said) (online)

Sunday 26th November
(Christ the King)
8am - Holy Communion (BCP)
Celebrant: Revd. Michael Bigg
10am - Morning Prayer (CW)
Preacher: Susan Rawlings (LLM)
10am - St Andrew's 4 Kids
5.30pm - Carol Service

Notices

St Andrew's for Kids. Today the children are meeting in the North Room during the 10am service. We will be hearing the story of how Solomon, with the people's help, built the first temple in Jerusalem - a place for God's Name to dwell, and a place for the people to pray and find justice. Over coffee, please come and see the wooden model we'll be using to help us think about the story.

The **Mitten Tree** collection of new gloves, hats, socks and scarves will be held as last year, but in the porch whilst the builders are in church. The Mitten Tree will be taken down on 16th December and items distributed to local charities.

Easter Bunnies Challenge Last Easter, Wendy Hunter raised £220 from donations for knitted rabbits and some people took up the challenge to take £10 and make it grow. This is now an amazing £660 - please contact Wendy if there's any more still to come in.

Bobtails Playgroup - support us while you shop We're thrilled that Bobtails has been selected to receive money from the Co-Op's Local Community Fund in 2023-24. We'd like to use the funds to buy new play equipment and art materials for the village playgroup, run by St Andrew's Church - but we need your help... Co-Op members can choose to support Bobtails as their local cause at <https://membership.coop.co.uk/causes/82629>. If you then swipe your member's

card every time you shop in any Co-Op store, we'll receive a share of what you spend! THANK YOU!

Cambridge City Food Bank's 2023 Christmas Hampers appeal's now underway - with more details at <https://ow.ly/ojXt50Q1pVF>
Please also donate seasonal items with long shelf-lives such as tinned ham / salmon, Christmas Cakes, chocolates, and dates. Also, food bank urgently needs help to sort/pack items at the warehouse: volunteer@ccfb.org.uk
Thank-you for supporting local families who are in need at this time.

There's **An Evening of Christmas Jazz** with the Tim Boniface Quartet, at St Andrew's on Saturday 9th December. Tickets: £16 for adults (including a drink and nibbles during the interval, available at <https://bit.ly/girtonjazz> or by contacting Michael.

Christmas Dinner and Carols at the Old Crown This annual event is on 19th and 20th December at the Old Crown. It's a great fun evening and a good thing to invite friends to. £33/head for a delicious 3-course meal interspersed with singing Christmas carols. Ring the Old Crown to book in on 01223 277217.

This week, church family members listed for **general prayer** are Gail Hampson, Carol Hartland, Ruth Haynes, and Dorothy Heeneman

Weekly Readings

Mon 20th Isaiah 9.8-10.4
Ps 46, 47; Matthew 7.1-12
Tue 21st Isaiah 10.5-19
Ps 48, 52; Matthew 7.13-end
Wed 22nd Isaiah 10.20-32
Ps 56, 57; Matthew 8.1-13
Thu 23rd Isaiah 10.33-11.9
Ps 61, 62; Matthew 8.14-22
Fri 24th Isaiah 11.10-end of 12
Ps 63, 65; Matthew 8.23-end
Sat 25th Isaiah 13.1-13
Ps 78.1-39; Matthew 9.1-17

Sunday 26th November
(Christ the King)
am Ezekiel 34.11-16,20-24
Ps 95.1-7
Ephesians 1.15-23
Matthew 25.31-46
pm 2 Samuel 23.1-7 or
1 Maccabees 2.15-29
Ps 93 [97]
Matthew 28.16-20