

Church events next week

Monday 9th February

- 9.00am Morning Prayer, Church
9.30am Baby & Toddler Group, Parish Hall (NB. There is a waiting list for this - please contact toddlerskpc@gmail.com)
2.30pm Care Home Service at Riverside

Tuesday 10th February

- 11.00am Funeral (Anne Braithwaite)
12.00pm Connect Café, Salvation Army
5.30pm Twilight Communion

Wednesday 11th February

- 9.15am Morning Prayer via Zoom
(please email office@kendalparishchurch.co.uk for link)
10.00am Coffee and Cake, Vestry
10.30am Kendal Debt Centre Trustees Meeting, Lower Vestry/Kitchenette area
11.00am Care Home Service at Summerhill
12.30pm Funeral (Sheila Nelson)
2.00pm Mothers' Union, Vestry
7.30pm Bell Ringing Practice

Thursday 12th February

- 9.00am Morning Prayer, Church
10.30am Holy Communion (BCP)

Friday 13th February

- 12.30pm Organ Concert (Charlotte Johnston)
3.45pm Kendal Choristers practice
5.00pm Choral Evensong
5.30pm Youth Group, Kitchenette Area
7.15pm Choir Practice

Saturday 14th February

- 9.00am Messy Church

Sunday 15th February

- 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
9.30am Parish Communion (CW)
11.15am The Gathering, All Age
4.00pm Choral Evensong for St. Valentine

Bookstall - If you wish to order any Christian Resources, please contact Lynne Magee: slchristian_resources@outlook.com

A welcoming Christian community serving the people of Kendal



Sunday 8th February 2026

Welcome to our Services today

If you are new to the church, please make yourself known to us.
A Loop System is in operation for hearing aid users with a 'T' switch.
Gluten Free wafers are available at all Communion services.
During the service you may be invited to stand. If you prefer to remain seated please do so.
If you need any information or assistance, please ask the Duty Warden.

This week we pray for:

The sick

The departed & their families - Muriel Airey, Bradley Reid, Anne Braithwaite, Sheila Nelson & Geoffrey Brown.

TODAY'S SERVICES

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

9.30am Parish Communion (CW)

Setting Mass of St. Thomas Thorne

Hymns 502 Lights abode celestial Salem (omit verse 4 and 5)
Seek ye first the kingdom of God (see separate sheet)
474 Immortal invisible
390 Blessed assurance

During Communion For the fruits of his creation *Francis Jackson*
(words can be found at Hymn 254)

Final Voluntary

10.45am Refreshments and Fellowship

11.15am The Gathering, with Baptism

Contacting Shanthi - if you wish to email Shanthi privately, please use revshanthi@kendalparishchurch.co.uk. If you wish to speak to her/text her privately, please use 07494704288. Shanthi's usual rest day is a Saturday.

Please send any notices to 'office@kendalparishchurch.co.uk' by Wednesday pm

Parking Permit - if you regularly come to Sunday services you can collect a car park pass from the welcomers.

Office Opening Hours - From **Monday 8th February to Friday 20th February** the office will only be open from 9.15am - 1.15pm as Diane is taking a well-earned holiday and Janet is working her hours over 5 days instead of 3.

Mothers Union - the next meeting will be held on **Wednesday 11th February** at 2.00pm in the vestry, when Ann Wodeman will give a talk entitled "All about Mothers' Union". All Welcome.

Organ Concerts - the next concert in our Spring series will take place on **Friday 13th February** and will be given by Charlotte Johnston, from Carlisle Cathedral.

Parish Life - items for inclusion in the March edition of "Parish Life" should be with the editors by **Sunday 15th February**, thanks: magazine@kendalparishchurch.co.uk

Lent begins on **Ash Wednesday 18th February** - and so do our 2026 Lent Lunches. Serving begins at 12.30pm at the back of church. Help is needed to provide bread, butter, soup and cake. Please see Stephen and Liz Lockwood if you are able to help with any of these.

Carbon Fast for Lent - Lent is a time when Christians traditionally fast and focus on God. As a positive action to take during Lent we encourage you to take up the Carbon Fast. The challenges differ from week to week (except for weeks 1 and 2), so please check either our Facebook or Instagram posts or the Kendal Parish Church Environmental Action notice board at the back of the Church for advice on the challenges.

Tea and Crumpets - please join with the church family on **Sunday 1st March** at 2.00pm-3.30pm for tea and crumpets with home made jam. A chance for people who attend different services and events to chat and get to know one another and to spend time in a way coffee on Sundays services doesn't allow. All welcome.

Interfaith Silent Climate Vigils - the next one is on **Monday 2nd March** at 10.30am at the Birdcage, Finkle Street, Kendal. The vigil will last 45 minutes, and it is important to wear thermal clothing to keep warm. Some people bring fold up chairs and a blanket. A flask containing a hot drink is advisable. Vigils are held on the first Monday of each month & are organised by Kendal and Sedbergh Friends Sustainability Group.

World Day of Prayer 2026 - the annual ecumenical service will be at Stricklandgate Methodist Church on **Friday 6th March** at 2.00pm. to which everyone (men and women) is warmly invited. It should be a beautiful meaningful service. This year the service has been prepared by the women of Nigeria and uses as its theme verses from St Matthew 11, 28-30 "I will give you rest" which focuses on "Rest from burdens", like Shame, Poverty and Oppression". The wave of prayer gatherings take place in 120 countries- starting in Samoa and moving west during the day ending in USA. It is truly a world day.

Prayer for Children and Young People in the South Lakes - come and share what's happening in your area, drink coffee, eat cake and pray.
URC Church, 106 Highgate - **31st March & 2nd June**

St. Mary's Church, Windermere - **3rd March, 5th May & 7th July**

All 10.30am - 12.00pm. For more information, see the flyer at the back of church or contact lily-beth.somith@carlisle-diocese.org.uk (07353004822) or chris.mason@carlisle-diocese.org.uk (07770099260)

Date for your diaries - Sue Charnley and Ian James extend an open invitation to all their friends to their wedding service on **Easter Sunday 5th April** at 1pm in Kendal Parish Church, and afterwards for refreshments and speeches in the Parish Hall.

Kendal Food Bank - this month they need Dried Pasta, Cereal, Tinned Vegetables, Microwave Rice, Hot Dogs, Packets of Mashed Potato, Pesto, Pasta Sauce, Biscuits, Tinned Fruit. These can be left in the box at the back of church - thanks.

A new venture from our friends at the Unitarian Church - "THE SPACE": 26-28 Finkle Street ; VERY OPEN Every Wednesday and Thursday. A warm place to drop in, have a free cup of tea or coffee, meet friends, and relax. All are very welcome.

Urgent call for more Welcomers - Welcomers greet a huge variety of folk who visit the church (from the local area; from other parts of the country; from the rest of the world) for a wide range of purposes. We need more help please. Could you offer 2 hours occasionally, monthly, fortnightly or weekly to help to provide a warm welcome for those who visit our beautiful church? If you can help at all, please see Anne or Howard Smith.

Kendal and District Debt Centre - vacancy for Debt Centre manager
(Re-advertisement)

Are you passionate about supporting the vulnerable in our society whose lives are blighted by the burden of debt? Do you wish to have opportunities to share the Christian faith? Due to the forthcoming retirement of our current manager Kendal and District Debt Centre (a Registered Charity/CIO), working in partnership with Christians Against Poverty and in collaboration with a group of local churches, seek to appoint a new Debt Centre Manager. For further information see job description on www.kendaldebtcntr.org. Closing date **23rd February 2026**. Interviews will be held on 9th March 2026.