

Church events next week

Monday 12th October

- 9.00am Morning Prayer, Becket Chapel
- 9.30am Baby & Toddler Group, Parish Hall
- 9.30am Ghyllside School Harvest Service
- 2.00pm Bereavement Journey, Church
- 2.30pm Care Home Service at Riverside
- 7.30pm KEPCEA Meeting, Vestry

Tuesday 13th October

- 12.00pm Connect Café, Salvation Army on Gillinggate
- 12.00pm Funeral (Bradley Mares)
- 5.30pm Twilight Communion
- 7.00pm Alpha, Vestry

Wednesday 14th October

- 9.15am Morning Prayer via Zoom
(please email office@kendalparishchurch.co.uk for link)
- 10.00am Coffee and Cake, Kitchenette Area
- 11.00am Care Home Service at Summerhill
- 2.30pm Mothers' Union, Vestry
- 7.30pm Bell Ringing Practice

Thursday 15th October

- 9.00am Morning Prayer, Becket Chapel
- 10.30am Holy Communion (BCP)
- 2.30pm Kendal Tea Service
- 6.30pm Baby Loss Awareness Service
- 7.30pm Deanery Chapter

Friday 16th October

- 9.00am Kirkland Trust Meeting, Vestry
- 12.30pm Organ Concert (Jordan English)
- 3.45pm Kendal Choristers
- 7.15pm Choir Practice

Saturday 17th October

- 9.00am Men's Breakfast, Wetherspoons

Sunday 18th October

- 8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
- 9.30am Parish Communion (CW)
- 11.15am The Gathering
- 4.00pm Evensong for St. Luke

A welcoming Christian community serving the people of Kendal

Sunday 11th October 2026



Welcome to our Services today

If you are new to Kendal Parish Church you are most welcome and we look forward to getting to know you. Please pick up a Welcome Pack from the table at the back of the church. This contains information about activities and volunteering at KPC along with forms to sign up our contact list and Electoral Role. Please join us for refreshments and make yourself known to the Clergy or Wardens.

A Loop System is in operation for hearing aid users with a 'T' switch.

Gluten free wafers and alcohol free wine are available at all our services. Please speak to a welcomer so they can let the priest know what you require.

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 - Sheila Brooks & Sheila Smith.

The departed & their families - Joyce Denney, Sheila Barrow, Bradley Mares, Rowland William Jenkins & Joan Huggonson.

TODAY'S SERVICES

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

(Collect, Epistle and Gospel can be found on page 186)

9.30am Parish Communion (CW)

Setting Mass for Two Choirs and Two Organs *Bielby*

Hymns 530 Now thank we all our God
600 Thou art the way
492 Jesus where'er thy people meet
606 Thy hand O God has guided

During Communion All things bright and beautiful *Rutter*

Final Voluntary Fugue in G minor BWV542 - Bach

10.45am Coffee and Chat

11.15am The Gathering, with Baptism

Today we celebrate our grant from the Cathedral Music Trust who have awarded us £4000 to provide professional singing tuition to our Kendal Choristers. This will be provided by Natalia Burtt-Jones (Head of Music at Windermere School) who is a soprano in the adult choir. We give thanks for the generosity of the Trust.

Helping Elsewhere - Revd. Ashley Henderson is taking the service at St.Martin's, Bowness this morning.

Heritage Lottery Fund Award - further to the announcement of the award, if you didn't collect an envelope from the back of church last week, regarding the congregational giving campaign please collect one from the tables at the back this week. Please continue to pray for the project and those most closely involved.

Mothers' Union - the next meeting will be on **Wednesday 14th October**, at 2.00pm in the Vestry, when Elizabeth Howe will be speaking about "Memories of Japan". All Welcome.

Organ Concert - the next one in the series will be on **Friday 16th October** at 12.30pm and will be given by Jordan English from Edinburgh.

Church Family Crumpet Afternoon - everyone is welcome to come to church on **Sunday 18th October** for tea and crumpets and a catch up with friends old and new. Young people from our Youth Group will be running the event and will have a small stall.

Interfaith Silent Climate Vigils - the next one is on **Monday 2nd November** at 10.30am at the Birdcage, Finkle Street, Kendal. The vigil will last 45 minutes. Vigils are held on the first Monday of each month & are organised by Kendal and Sedbergh Friends Sustainability Group.

The Bereavement Journey - We are planning to run this course at KPC, mainly for KPC members and their contacts from 2.00pm-4.00pm starting on **Monday 12th October**. Shanthi and Marjorie Arnold will be leading the course with other helpers from church, If you would like any more information or to join the course please let either of them know or you can book online via this QR code.



Parish Life - items for inclusion in the next edition should be sent to the editors by **Thursday 15th October**: magazine@kendalparishchurch.co.uk.

Baby Loss Service - join us for a gentle and reflective service as we mark the end of Baby Loss Awareness Week - **Thursday 15th October** at 6.30pm. For more details, see the flyer at the back of church.

Kendal Deanery Synod - the next meeting will be on **Tuesday 20th October** and it will be held at St Thomas' Church, Crosscrake. The Spotlight speaker will be the Bishop of Penrith. The meeting is open to non-members of Synod if anyone would like to attend.

Kendal Prepared Week - this is a programme of information drop-ins, events and webinars running from **17th-24th October** to help residents become better prepared for emergencies and find out about household and community resilience. See the flyers at the back of church for more information.

Kendal Food Bank - this month they need UHT milk, microwave rice, tinned

ravioli, soup and vegetables, muesli, cup-a-soup, sweets, tea & coffee. These can be left in the box at the back of church - thanks.

Friends of KPC - we will be holding our AGM on **Thursday 29th October** in the vestry immediately following the 10.30am Communion service. Refreshments will be available from 11.00am. Following a short business meeting there will be a presentation looking at all the Friends have achieved since their formation in 2013. In line with our constitution, to be quorate, we need to have at least 15 members present so we hope all who are able will attend. Non members are also welcome to learn more about the Friends.

Dipping Your Toe in the Old Testament - the next chance to 'dip your toe' into the Old Testament will be held on **Saturday 7th November**. As usual we shall meet in KPC vestry: 9.30am for 9.45am – finishing by 12noon. Many Christians find themselves struggling with parts of the Old Testament, so this time our theme will be Tricky Texts. How do we cope with the violence in the OT? Aren't there some contradictions? Should we see everything we are told in the OT as accurate history? How should we understand God working in the world? We probably won't end up with answers to all these (or other) questions, but it will give us the chance to do some thinking about them. If you hope to come and there is a particular issue or text you would like to be included, please let me know in advance. As usual, you can just roll up, but if we know you are coming (email to michaeljh45@aol.co.uk) we'll make sure there are refreshments for you! Don't forget to bring a Bible! Michael Hunter

Christmas Tree Festival - well it's September now and the nights are drawing in. A perfect time to start preparing to make items to be sold on the Craft stall at our Christmas Tree Festival which opens on **Friday 27th November**. Last year we raised nearly £2,000 so it would be great if we could match or even increase the amount raised this year. If you are not a crafty person but would like to help by manning the stall for some of the time I would much appreciate your help. Ian Fishwick.

Sermons - if you would like a copy of any sermons please let the office know and we can email you a copy if you are on email or provide a hard copy if not. We can't guarantee being able to do this every week but will try to meet any requests as and when we receive them. Some sermon texts may be available in advance of a service but we anticipate the majority will be afterwards.

Manna House is experiencing financial difficulties as their funding has been drastically cut. If you would like to help by becoming a "Friend of Manna House", there are some application forms at the back of church. Thank you

Keswick Ministries have an exciting vacancy for a Finance Manager. For more information please see: <https://www.charismarecruitment.co.uk/jobs/7838-Finance-Manager/>