

Welcome TO **STK**

ST THOMAS' KENDAL

St Thomas' Church, Kendal

Welcome to St Thomas' Church Kendal. It's great that you are here as we gather for worship today – we love coming together as a family and pray that everyone will receive the Father's love, encounter Jesus and know the Spirit's power! If you are new please make yourself known to someone wearing a lanyard who will be delighted to help you feel at home.

Sunday 1st December

Theme: Advent

Yes to God's Call

Reading: Genesis 12:1-9



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9.00 Morning Worship

10.45 Holy Communion

7pm Evening Worship

Preacher: Pete Jorysz

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Wednesday 4th December

12.00 noon Holy Communion

with soup and roll lunch after the service

Preacher: Brian Lock

Sunday 8th December

9.00 Holy Communion

10.45 Morning Worship

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Prayer for Healing and Wholeness is available at every service.

Come for yourself or for someone else. Prayer team wear green lanyards.

Church Prayer Meeting

Our monthly prayer meeting is on **Tuesday 3rd December** in church at 7.30pm. Please do join us for this “power hour” of prayer.

Advent Fair

A massive “**thank you**” to everyone who helped yesterday! Soup makers, cake bakers, shoppers, friendly faces, grafters on Friday and Saturday... We couldn't do it without you.



Community Christmas Day Lunch STK

We are doing the Christmas lunch again. Would you like to have lunch with us? Would you like to be on the team? Would you like to contribute to the costs? See Christine Burgess; christine.burgess@me.com

Christmas Decorating NEXT WEEKEND!

Do get involved in coming along to help make a festive STK this year. Come on **Friday December 6th from 10am**, to decorate the church and lounge, if anyone can bring donations of mixed greenery too that would be most welcome. Also after church on **Sunday 8th from 12.30** we will be putting up and decorating the tree, do stay and help. Bring your own picnic lunch. Mince pies and coffee/tea provided.



Christmas Scratch Choir for Carol Service 15th December



If you'd like to be part of our scratch choir, come to our **rehearsal on Friday 6th December** 6-7.30pm STK, then a run-through on **Sunday 15th December 4-5pm** (with tea and cake after the rehearsal and before the service). Please email Christine Burgess if you'd like to join us. christine.burgess@me.com

Are you new to St Thomas?

We would love to get to know you, please pick up a ‘Welcome to you’ card from the reception desk to stay in contact with us. We are soon to hold a welcome evening to share more of the ministry of St Thomas and a time to get to know you. These little cards help us to make that link with you. Its great to see you

King's Food Bank

This Christmas time the food bank is in most need of:

Mince pies. Christmas bar cakes. Chocolate oranges. Boxes of biscuits. Tubes of smarties etc. Pasta sauces. Tins of ravioli, macaroni cheese, spaghetti. Large tins of vegetables. Instant mash. Instant noodles/pasta. Biscuits. Sponge pudding. Food can be left in the boxes in the narthex.

Changes to landline telephones

The UK's telephone network is being upgraded, so landline services are changing. For most, switching over will be straight forward, but you may need new equipment or support to make the changes. BT expects all of their customers will be moved to the new digital system by the end of January 2027.

For more information hand outs are available from the reception desk.

St Thomas' Heating and Net Zero Project- We're there!

We Praise God that our Heat Pump installation is now fully operational! We now have a building with heating systems that are fit for the many years into the future.

Again, heartfelt thanks to all who have given so generously to this project, to the grant bodies who have contributed, to those who have helped bring it about, and above all to God, for His leading, provision and favour.

For those who have pledged giving towards the project, once we have all the project costs in, we will write to you about making your pledged gifts.

Moving the Bells and missions forward in Croatia

Their current car is becoming a liability due to age and repair costs. A reliable large (7 seater) car is vital to their ministry. For more information pick up a flyer from the reception desk. If you need an electronic copy please contact the office.

Conferences in 2025 for your diary

New Wine Women's day in Manchester 1st Feb 2025 More details on

<https://www.new-wine.org/events/reset-2025/>

Flourish Women's Conference 2025 Saturday 15th March Barrow.

Speaker is Philippa Hanna. Tickets at www.flourishladies.co.uk

CDs - We produce weekly audio CDs of our 9am service. If you know of anyone who you think would benefit from listening to our 9am service at home for whatever reason, be it illness or housebound or in need of spiritual refreshment. Please let Jean Thorp or the office know. CDs are posted out along with a service sheet and notice sheet .

Two Bed house or flat needed urgently

Hard working single mum with 11 year old child, known to church family member, had to leave the rural house she was previously renting due to an infestation of toxic mould. Please contact the STK office if you either have, or know of, any property to rent that could be a home for this mother and son.

Manna House Conversation Café

Manna House are looking for a mental health professional to support their new Conversation Café, every Monday 1pm - 3pm. See notice board in the lounge for more information or contact Andrea Aldridge, andreaa@manna-house.org.uk

STK Christmas Dates for December

6-8th Decorating the Church & Tree

15th 6pm Carol Service

24th 4pm All age Christmas

9pm Christmas Holy Communion

25th 10am All age Christmas Celebration

29th 10am Morning Worship



If you would like to give to the ministry of the church, there is a card machine at the back of the church on your way out. Thank you.

Questions from our Sunday theme for personal reflection or group study.



There are no life group questions this week as it is our Monthly all together church prayer meeting on Tuesday at 7.30pm

See you there!