



## St Andrew's Kirk Ella and St Luke's Willerby Prayer Diary for March 2018

*We will explore with anyone who will listen the good news that God saves and transforms sinners through Jesus Christ*

One day Jesus was praying in a certain place. When he finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray...." (Luke 11.1)

### **Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March - Psalm 64 - Baptism Families**

Thank God for the contact with local families through baptism services. Pray that each family will seek to be faithful to the promises they make and that those baptised will grow to love the Lord Jesus for themselves.

### **Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March - Psalm 65 - Women's Groups**

Pray for all the different groups as they study God's word. Pray that they will learn more about who God wants them to be and how they should live that out practically in the different roles they have within home, workplace and church.

### **Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> March - Psalm 66 - Men's Breakfast and Quiz Night**

The men meet for food, fellowship and study of Ecclesiastes. Pray that God will direct the discussions and that each person will have open ears, an open heart, a willing spirit and a desire to be "doers and not just hearers of the word". Pray too for the Quiz night, for good numbers, an enjoyable time and an opportunity to share the good news of Christ in an appropriate way.

### **Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> March - Psalm 67 - Sunday Services**

Pray for all our services and Sunday groups at St Andrew's and St Luke's. Ask God to help all of us, young and old, to worship Him, listen to His word and have obedient hearts. Pray that we will all be encouraged in our faith and seek to bring honour to the Lord in our daily lives as we go forward into a new week.

### **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> March - Psalm 68 - St Luke's PCC**

Thank God for the willingness of members to serve and pray for wisdom in all their discussion and decisions. Pray that in all things they will follow the example of Christ.

### **Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> March - Psalm 69 - Prayer Night**

Pray that more people will be encouraged to join us at this important meeting in the life of the church. Pray that God will lead us in how to pray for the needs of our church and the wider world. The needs are great.

### **Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> March - Psalm 70 - Friendship Club (St Luke's)**

Pray for the meeting this afternoon, that a happy time will be had by all and that the love of Jesus will be shared by those who minister to its elderly members.

### **Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> March - Psalm 71 - Church Wardens/Parish Reps**

Pray for the Wardens and Parish Reps of both churches as they take on extra responsibility during the interregnum and help lead the process of finding a

new Rector. Pray for Holy Spirit wisdom and guidance and for unity in all the decisions that need to be taken.

**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March - Psalm 72 - Bookstall**

Thank God for those who run the bookstall and pray that in the coming year we will all make use of it and be encouraged by what we read.

**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> March - Psalm 73 - Coffee Teams**

Give thanks for all who serve in this practical way. Ask that our times over coffee will be helpful in getting to know new people and in sharing our joys and sorrows with one another.

**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> March - Psalm 74 - Mothering Sunday**

Ask the Lord to bring many into the church today for our family service, including those who do not normally come. Pray that every aspect of the service will be pleasing to Him and help all ages to know more about His love for them and His desire for them to know Him personally.

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> March - Psalm 75 - St Andrew's PCC**

Pray for the PCC as they meet tonight to know the Lord's wisdom. Pray that they will each have a servant heart and will be glad to serve the Lord and the church family in this way. Pray for strength and perseverance during the Interregnum.

**Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> March - Psalm 76 - Growth Groups**

Praise God for the freedoms we have to meet together and study God's word. Pray that as we continue to look into Philippians we will all grow in likeness to Christ and be obedient to His call on our lives.

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> March - Psalm 77 - Finances**

Praise God for excellent finance teams who work hard and conscientiously to serve both churches and ensure good governance. Thank God for all those who give to the work at St Andrew's and St Luke's and ask God to continue to provide for our needs.

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> March - Psalm 78 - Older People**

Continue to pray for those who are feeling the increasing weakness and frailty of later years. Pray especially for those who find it difficult to meet with us as often as they would like and are perhaps becoming more isolated. Is there someone we could ring, send a card to or visit?

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March - Psalm 79 - Wydale Weekend**

Pray for the young people and leaders as they have their house party. Pray for a safe, fun time, an opportunity to learn more of Christ, ask questions and be encouraged together. Pray for any who may not yet know the Lord Jesus as their Saviour, that God will be at work in them.

**Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> March - Psalm 80 - Our Neighbours**

Thank God for all those who live near us and pray that in the coming days many of them will encounter the Lord Jesus in some way. Pray that we will have opportunities to be good neighbours, demonstrating Christ's love in word and deed.

**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> March - Psalm 81 - *Sunday Services***

Pray for our morning and evening services and for all the different children's Sunday groups. Praise God that all-age groups are loved by Him and equally precious to Him. Ask God to make His presence known to us as we meet together to worship Him and encourage one another in our faith.

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> March - Psalm 82 - *St Luke's 50th Anniversary***

Pray for this event in early April, that it will provide a great opportunity to share the gospel with the local community. Pray that the events being organised will reach many, including former members of the church who no longer attend.

**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> March - Psalm 83 - *Mums and Tots***

Pray for this group who meet in the Memorial Hall today. Praise God for continued good numbers and ask for some to make the transition into other church activities. Pray that many years of faithfulness will see fruit.

**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March - Psalm 84 - *St Luke's Toddler Group***

Pray for this group which is popular with the local community and which is at the forefront of mission to Willerby. Pray that the love of Jesus will be shared with all those who attend.

**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March - Psalm 85 - *St Andrew's School***

As the school have their Easter services at the church today, pray for wisdom for those leading and taking part. Pray that children and teachers will be glad to hear the good news of the Easter story. Praise God for continued good links with the school.

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March - Psalm 86 - *Westfield House***

Pray for the team leading the service at Westfield House Residential Home that they will be able to share the gospel message in a way that speaks to the elderly residents.

**Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> March - Psalm 87 - *Mission Partners***

Choose one of our mission partners from St Andrew's or St Luke's and pray for them today. Each one needs perseverance, wisdom and encouragement. Pray that God will meet all their practical needs as they serve Him and live by faith.

**Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> March - Psalm 88 - *Palm Sunday***

Pray for services at St Andrew's and St Luke's today as we especially remember our Lord's triumphal entry into Jerusalem and all that was to follow. Praise God for Christ's unending love for us.

**Monday 26<sup>th</sup> March - Psalm 89 - *Leaders***

Pray especially for David and Francis as they seek to lead during the Interregnum. Pray for spiritual wisdom and bodily strength to fulfil their responsibilities and pray that we will all support and encourage them.

**Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> March - Psalm 90 - *Wedding Couples/Marriages***

Pray for all those who will marry in our church this year. Pray that God will bless their preparations and that He might be at the centre of their relationships. Thank God for the gift of marriage and pray for those married couples who are struggling in any way. Pray for God's help and a clear way forward, bringing healing and reconciliation where it is needed.

**Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> March - Psalm 91 - *Open the Book***

Pray for those who go regularly into St Andrew's school, taking assemblies and running the lunch time Fuse club. Thank God for the children's enthusiasm and pray that the team will be able to build on this and have a real spiritual impact in their lives.

**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March - Psalm 92 - *Maundy Thursday Service***

We meet to remember the first Easter and all that it cost the Lord Jesus. As we reflect on His suffering and share in Communion we can also rejoice in all that He accomplished for us. Praise God!

**Friday 30<sup>th</sup> March - Psalm 93 - *Good Friday Services***

Family service in the morning and reflective service in the afternoon. Pray that our focus will be on Christ and all that He did for us at Calvary. Ask that we will all have hearts full of love and gratitude for Him who loved us and gave Himself for us.

**Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> March - Psalm 94 - *Thanksgiving***

We have so much to be thankful for, spiritually and materially. Take time today, during this Easter period, to express gratitude to God for His steadfast love and to give thanks for those around us who enrich our lives in so many ways.

*Space to add the names of family members or friends who do not yet believe, or who are in particular need at the moment*



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