



St Andrew's Kirk Ella and St Luke's Willerby Prayer Diary for April 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)

Sunday 1st April - Psalm 95 - Easter Day

Praise God today for the good news of the resurrection of Jesus from the dead, that wonderful miracle which proves our sins are forgiven and guarantees our own resurrection to eternal life!

Monday 2nd April - Psalm 96 - Staff team

Mondays see the St Andrew's staff team meeting to plan and prepare for the coming weeks and months. Please pray for the staff at St Andrew's and for all those who help out with various other practical, financial and administration tasks in our churches.

Tuesday 3rd April – Psalm 97 - Prayer

Pray that prayer would grow in importance in our churches. Pray for the St Andrew's monthly prayer meeting and weekly St Luke's prayer meetings as we meet to pray for God's work in our church and the world. Pray for us to be praying as God would have us pray and God would draw many along.

Wednesday 4th April - Psalm 98 - Interregnum

Please pray for the ongoing work of finding a new rector for our two churches. Please pray for the four reps from our churches (Francis, Ann, Nick and Janet) and for the Archbishop and Dean of York as they work together to advertise, select, interview and decide. Pray that God's hand would overrule in this process.

Thursday 5th April - Psalm 99 - Mission Partners

Please pray for the St Andrew's mission partners. For Paul Hunter training evangelists in Tanzania over a large area. Pray that his car will not let him down. Pray for the Griffiths in Myanmar, that they will make wise decisions about their future, for their protection and safety and that God would use them to bless the people they serve.

Friday 6th April – Psalm 100 - Other Local Churches

Thank God for the many flourishing churches in our local area. Pray for the leaders to have wisdom and protection as they lead their churches. Ask that God would grow and strengthen other Christians and congregations in our part of the world. Thank God for all the Christian charities which are at work in Hull to share God's love and gospel with our city.

Saturday 7th April - Psalm 101 - St Luke's Easter Tea

Easter Tea with entertainment by the AWAKE U3A Ukulele Band. Please pray that a happy time will be had by all, and the love of Jesus will be shared by those who minister to its elderly members.

Sunday 8th April - Psalm 102 - St Luke's 50th Anniversary!

Today is a great day of celebration as St Luke's commemorates its 50th anniversary. Please pray for all those who will attend our services at St Luke's today. We are hoping many from the community will join us. Pray for Andrew Savage, as he returns to St Luke's and preaches at our morning service, that God's word will speak to all present.

Monday 9th April - Psalm 103 - Sunday Group leaders

As the leaders of the St Andrew's Sunday Groups meet this evening, please pray for them as they teach our children about Jesus and for parents as they seek to help their children to grow in their faith.

Tuesday 10th April - Psalm 104 - Growth Groups

Thank God for the opportunity to meet with God in small groups to learn and to grow in our faith together. Please pray for the leaders as they prepare and lead these groups.

Wednesday 11th April - Psalm 105 - Leadership

Please pray for all those who lead in our churches in anyway - wardens and PCC members, those who lead various groups as well as Francis at St Luke's and David at St Andrew's. Please pray for extra strength for extra responsibilities during the interregnum.

Thursday 12th April - Psalm 106 - Mums and Toddlers

Thank God for the teams who work hard to run our two toddler groups at the Memorial Hall (Tuesday) and in St Luke's Church Hall (Wednesday). These popular groups are at the forefront of our mission to our villages and beyond. Pray that families who come along might find the warmth of the love of Jesus and in time be welcomed into other activities.

Friday 13th April - Psalm 107 - Hull Male Voice Choir @ St Luke's

Once again, St Luke's will be opening its doors to the community this evening for a concert by the Hull Male Voice Choir. Ever popular, we expect the choir to fill the church building. Pray that the message of the gospel will shine through the singing.

Saturday 14th April - Psalm 108 - Mission Partners

Please pray for the St Andrew's mission partners. The Moore family are serving God through medical work in Papua New Guinea and the Lowry family through translation of the Bible in Senegal. Pray for their work and also for their family life together in very different places to home, and for the Lowrys as they adjust to being a family of four.

Sunday 15th April - Psalm 109 - APCM (St Andrew's)

Today we gather again to worship God and to learn from his Word - thank God for this privilege and ask that his Spirit would be with us to make his love know and to transform us. Pray all for the annual meeting in the afternoon St Andrew's - a chance to look back over the last year and to choose who will represent the church going forward.

Monday 16th April - Psalm 110 - Open the Book and Fuse

Thank God for the opportunity to go regularly into St Andrew's School, taking assemblies and running the lunch time Fuse club. Pray that there would be opportunities for more work in our local schools.

Tuesday 17th April - Psalm 111 - Village Parish Councils

Willerby Parish Council meets this evening. Pray that our two parish councils may base their decisions on Christian values and, where relevant, be supportive of our local churches. Thank God for those who work hard for our good in local government of all forms.

Wednesday 18th April - Psalm 112 - Men's Groups

Please pray for the various men's groups from St Andrew's which meet this month - Men's Breakfast and Word at the Wheatsheaf (today) later in the month. Pray that men would feel welcome at our churches and that the men in these groups would find ways of supporting each other in their life and witness.

Thursday 19th April - Psalm 113 - Film Afternoon (Saturday)

This Saturday sees a new trial venture - a film afternoon in St Andrew's church building, with a chance to watch a film suitable for all ages. We hope to be able to offer this to the wider community later in the year, inviting them into our church and church family. Please pray for wisdom in taking this forward.

Friday 20th April - Psalm 114 - Youth Groups

Pray for the young people from our churches as they meet in Rockets and Impact (Fridays), Conkers (Saturday) and Ignite and Rooted (Sundays) to study the Bible and have fun together. Pray for a good family atmosphere and a good balance between fun, fellowship and learning. Pray that the young people will grow in their love of Jesus through the studies.

Saturday 21st April - Psalm 115 - Women's Groups

Please pray for the various women's groups who meet on a Friday at St Andrews' - Faith on Friday, Friends on Friday, Refresh and the Women's breakfasts (meeting today). Thank God for these opportunities to meet together and to share God's Word together.

Sunday 22nd April - Psalm 116 - APCM (St Luke's)

Thank God for our freedom to worship him in the UK and for the opportunity for St Luke's and St Andrew's to worship together each Sunday evening. St Luke's APCM takes place this afternoon at 4 pm. Please pray that electoral roll members and many others will come along and have a say in what happens at St Luke's during the year ahead.

Monday 23rd April - Psalm 117 - Our Outreach

We are called as Christians and churches to go and make disciples of all nations. Pray that God would continue to grow a passion in us to share the great news of what Jesus has done for us to the world around us. Pray that you might have an opportunity to speak of Jesus today!

Tuesday 24th April - Psalm 118 - Church of England

Pray for the wider Church of England, in particular those who lead us like Archbishops Welby and Sentamu, the other bishops and General Synod. Pray for the 'Renewal and Reform' programme which is aimed at helping the Church of England become a growing Church for all people and for all places - reaching the whole nation for Christ - and similar projects in York Diocese.

Wednesday 25th April - Psalm 119 - Mission Support Team

Thank God for the small but passionate Mission Support Team at St Andrew's church. They provide a link to the church's mission partners and prayerfully decide how we should distribute our missionary giving. Please pray for wisdom as they make these decisions.

Thursday 26th April - Psalm 120 - Mission Organizations (St Luke's)

Pray for the mission organisations which we support. Today, particularly pray for the work of those organisations supported by St Luke's: Mission Aviation Fellowship providing air support to missionaries across the world, the Gideons distributing Bibles and the Leprosy Mission.

Friday 27th April - Psalm 121 - Westfield House Services

Pray for the team from our churches leading the service at Westfield House Residential Home this morning, that they may be able to share the gospel message in such a way that speaks to the home's elderly residents.

Saturday 28th April - Psalm 122 - Thanksgiving

Look back on the month that has passed and thank God for all the ways in which he has answered the prayers you have prayed. Praise him for who he is and the good things he has given to you.

Sunday 29th April - Psalm 123 - Sunday Services

Thank God that we can sing his praises and receive from him as we meet as his people today. Pray for those who are involved in all our services welcoming, serving tea and coffee, reading, praying, leading and preaching. Pray also for the monthly 'AM' morning services at St Luke's, meeting today, that these times of fellowship will be a real blessing, especially for those who are unable to attend the evening service.

Monday 30th April - Psalm 124 - Raywell and Events

Today the team preparing for the Raywell weekend in September meets again. Pray for them to be able to come up with a good programme for the weekend which everyone in our churches will enjoy, will create deeper community and help us grow in our faith. Pray also for those who organise the many events at St Andrew's and St Luke's churches which bless us and our villages.

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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