



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

Wednesday 1st August - Psalm 67 - Bookstall

Thank God for the gift of Christian books to help enlarge our faith in Jesus. Pray for those who look after our bookstall that they will wisely chose books and resources which are helpful for our faith.

Thursday 2nd August - Psalm 68 - Holidays

Pray for members of our two churches who will be on holiday during this month that this will be a time for relaxation away from the rigours of day to day life. Pray for our young people who will be attending summer camps that it may be a time when they grow closer to the Lord Jesus.

Friday 3rd August – Psalm 69 - Summer Camps

Many of our young people will take part in summer camps during the summer, pray for those who lead and teach, for faith to grow or start in the young people who attend. Pray particularly for those who return home to discouraging churches or to tricky families.

Saturday 4th August - Psalm 70 - Mission in Hull

Thank God for all the churches and organisations which are seeking to bring God's love and gospel to the people of Hull and the East Riding. Pray for those who are desperately in need of help in our local area and that the church will respond appropriately.

Sunday 5th August - Psalm 71 - Sunday Services

Pray for our congregations as we meet together today at our different services. Pray that they might find encouragement and sustenance in God's Word and grow together as a community. Pray for the evening service at St Luke's that more would come along and our two churches will grow closer together through it.

Monday 6th August – Psalm 72 - Neighbours

Thank God for all who live near you – uphold your neighbours and those in your street, praying that many in the coming days will encounter, in some way, our Lord Jesus Christ.

Tuesday 7th August - Psalm 73 - Prayer Evening

Pray that prayer would grow in importance in our churches. Pray for the St Andrew's monthly prayer meeting (tonight) 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 8th August - Psalm 74 - Mission Partners

Pray for the work of our Mission Partners. Today we remember David, Ruthie, Emily and Aiofe Lowry who have recently returned to Senegal to work in Bible translation, now as a family of four. Please pray for them as they get used to being back in Africa and adjust to life with a baby. Remember the Moore (David, Emma and Joshua) family in the UK for their annual holiday too.

Thursday 9th August - Psalm 75 - Wardens

Please pray for our churchwardens (Nick, Michael, Ann and Arline) and deputy wardens (Chris and Janet) as they provide leadership in our churches. Thank God for their hard work during the interregnum in particular.

Friday 10th August - Psalm 76 - Family Life

Thank God for the gift of families of all shapes and sizes; and for their role as the bedrock of society. Pray for the strengthening of the families within our churches and in particular for those for whom life at home is hard.

Saturday 11th August - Psalm 77 - Prisons

Give thanks for and pray for the work of those who share the Gospel in our local prisons. Pray that there will be opportunities to speak of a God who loves his creation and forgives those who come to him in repentance.

Sunday 12th August - Psalm 78 - Sunday Services

St Luke's holds one of its occasional morning services today. Please pray that this will be special time of fellowship, particularly for those who are unable to attend the weekly evening service.

Monday 13th August - Psalm 79 - Work

For many of us our workplace is where we spend most of our time. Pray for those who work in places which are hostile or indifferent to their faith. Pray that we can act and speak differently so that people can see Jesus reflected in us. Pray for all our interactions with people outside of church that they would bring the light of Christ into the lives of those we live alongside.

Tuesday 14th August – Psalm 80 - Summer Church Nights

Tonight is one of the 'Summer Church Nights' at St Andrew's - a chance to get together during the summer holidays to study the Bible. Pray that this group will be a blessing to all who come.

Wednesday 15th August - Psalm 81 - Parish Councils

Pray for the parish councils, in Kirk Ella and Willerby (which meets tonight). Pray that their decisions and choices may be based on Christian values and, where relevant, be supportive of our local churches. Pray for good working relationships and for God's help to identify fresh ways to strengthen the local community and share out the available resources with wisdom and care.

Thursday 16th August - Psalm 82 - Exam Results

Pray today for the many young people as they receive their A-level results today and next week others receive GCSE results. Pray that God's hand would be guiding them to the right future for them and that he would calm their anxieties.

Friday 17th August - Psalm 83 - Evangelism

Pray for our own witness as Christians. Jesus said *the harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field.* Pray for more harvesters and for you as you do the work of harvesting.

Saturday 18th August - Psalm 84 - Ash Carter and Family

Pray for Ash Carter, Mim, Harry and Timmy as they move to Kirk Ella and Willerby to be our new Rector. Pray that they would quickly settle into home, school and work here and feel at home among us. Pray that God will anoint Ash for the challenges that lie ahead.

Sunday 19th August – Psalm 85 - Sunday Services and Sunday Groups

As we prepare to meet today to worship the living God, pray that it will be a time of growth for everyone. Pray particularly for the young people's groups meeting at St Andrew's. Pray that the young people will grow closer to Jesus in faith, knowledge and love through their groups.

Monday 20th August - Psalm 86 - The W heatsheaf

Give thanks for the kindness and the hospitality St Andrew's have received in the W heatsheaf over the years - particularly as they have for many years hosted our Sunday Groups. Pray for continuing constructive relationships and for God's grace to be at work there so it may be a positive influence at the centre of the village.

Tuesday 21st August - Psalm 87 - Bell Ringers

Thank God for the work of the Bell ringers at St Andrew's who call us to pray as they meet to practice today.

Wednesday 22nd August - Psalm 88 - Mission Partners

Pray for the mission partners of St Luke's (MAF, Leprosy Mission and the Gideons). Pray particularly for the work of Mission Aviation Fellowship (MAF) and the important work as they face the many challenges of airlifting humanitarian aid to those in desperate need in remote parts of the world.

Thursday 23rd August - Psalm 89 - A New Vision

Thank God for his faithfulness and answered prayers for the interregnum. Thank God that it is coming to an end and pray for new vision and energy for our churches as we enter this new phase of our shared life.

Friday 24th August - Psalm 90 - Westfield House

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 25th August - Psalm 91 - Holy Spirit

Pray for the ministry of the Holy Spirit among us, directing our attention to the Lord Jesus, opening our hearts to hear God's call to us and mediating to us the love of God. Pray that he would move our hearts to respond to God's love, produce his fruit among us and empower us to serve Christ.

Sunday 26th August - Psalm 92 - Sunday Services

Thank God for the freedom to gather to worship him today and learn from his Word. Pray for those who are involved in the services welcoming, serving tea and coffee, reading, praying, leading and preaching. This week particularly thank God for our musicians and their hard work and dedication for us and God.

Monday 27th August - Psalm 93 - Flower Guild

Give thanks for the Flower Guild at St Andrew's and for their willing service over the years, making the most of the colours and textures that God provides, so as to decorate the building freshly each week.

Tuesday 28th August - Psalm 94 - Schools

Pray today for our local teachers as they prepare to return to school for another year. Pray in particular for those who are teachers in our own congregations for them to bring Christ's light into the schools they work in.

Wednesday 29th August - Psalm 95 - Mission Partners

Remember the St Andrew's mission partners. We remember Paul Hunter training church leaders and evangelists in Tanzania. Pray for Paul as he overcomes transport issues and cultural differences. Pray also for Mike and Jo Griffiths in Myanmar.

Thursday 30th August - Psalm 96 - Midweek Groups

Pray for our churches as we begin to gear up for the new year. Toddler and Youth groups, Growth groups and other Bible study groups will all soon restart for the new year. Pray for the planning for the new year and for good learning and fellowship.

Friday 31st August - Psalm 97 - Thanksgiving

Look back on the month (and year if this feels like the end of the year for you!) 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.

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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