

# St Andrews Leckie



## PSALM

August to October

2025

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## **Sunday Services**

If you are able, please come and join us in church.

Our Service starts at **11am** doors open at **10:40am**.

please try to arrive at least five minutes early, as we start on time for the live stream (morning only).

## **Evening Service**

Our evening services will resume from the **7<sup>th</sup> September 2025**

Our evening service starts at **7pm** doors open at **6:40pm**

Alternatively you can watch online through our livestream on our **website: [standrewsleckie.co.uk](http://standrewsleckie.co.uk)**

Previous sermons are also available from our website or our YouTube Channel.

## **Zoom Prayer Meetings**

Mon/Tues/Wed/Fri: 8.30am-9am

Thursday 8.00am-9am pray for revival

We gather to pray for God to move by His Spirit, bringing His kingdom near and people to know Jesus.

## **Join our Zoom meeting**

**<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/950531397?>**

**password=SEFwRDVnQzU3aVJqakYwSUhiaW5IZz09**

**Passcode 191243**



## Support and Prayer

If you would like support or to have someone to talk with, or pray for you, you can make confidential prayer requests through

our website [www.standrewsleckie.co.uk](http://www.standrewsleckie.co.uk)

Facebook Page [Leckie Prayer requests](#)

or contact us by email at [nancy@standrewsleckie.co.uk](mailto:nancy@standrewsleckie.co.uk)

or telephone **01721 723 121**

*Monday-Friday 9.30am to 12:00*

*We also have a prayer request box in the entrance of the church, ask one of our welcomers to show you where it is. we would love you to use it.*

## **Our Prayer room**

As part of our Sunday club, one person from our prayer team prays with the children in our prayer room. God is at work building the prayer life in the children of our communities.

On our **evening services** you can also join us here to pray from **18:15-18:45pm**

**Except on the 2nd Sunday of the Month when we have prayer and Praise.**

# A few words from our Minister

## Quiet Revival

The Bible society have just published the results of a large-scale study of religious attitudes in England and Wales. They summarise the report in 30 seconds...

**“In churches across society something amazing is happening, challenging long-held predictions about the future of Christianity in the twenty-first century. Where once we saw aging congregations and a steady decline in attendance, we see dramatic growth, led by the young. Where once we saw apathy or even hostility to Christianity and the Bible we see increased openness, again among the young. You may have heard the rumblings and rumours emerging over the past few years, you may even have noticed it in your own community, or it might have passed you by entirely – but this data shows that it is real. This is the Quiet Revival. For the first time, this is not just anecdote, but is demonstrated in the latest results of a large, robust and nationally representative population study that has tracked the religious attitudes and behaviours of England and Wales since 2018. We found that the Church is in a period of rapid growth, driven by young adults and in particular young men. Along with this, the Church demonstrates greater ethnic diversity than ever before. Both within and outside the Church, young adults are more spiritually engaged than any other living generation, with Bible reading and belief in God on the rise. But we also see that active engagement with a church has a significant impact on the lives of attenders, with a high increase in mental and general life wellbeing – again particularly among young adults, a generation in the midst of a mental health crisis. It is also changing communities, with churchgoers more likely to feel a connection to their local area and get involved in social engagement activities. Challenges remain for the Church and civic society in responding to this Quiet Revival, but its reality can no longer be denied”**

([www.biblesociety.org.uk/research/quiet-revival](http://www.biblesociety.org.uk/research/quiet-revival))

The document goes onto report:

- An 8% rise in adults going to church since 2018
- The percentage of under 35s who go to church on a regular basis and identify as a Christian. has risen from 4% to 16%
- 37% of 18-24 year olds are interested in reading the Bible. Even among non-church goers this age group is most interested in reading the Bible than any other age group surveyed.

The survey does not extend to north of the border but there are anecdotal signs from churches across Scotland that something is stirring, particularly among Generation Z.

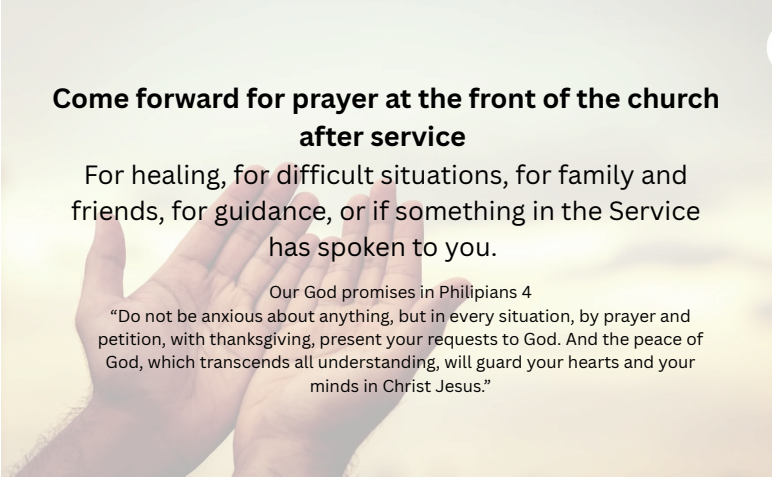
What's more, God has been doing some wonderful things right here! Over the last few months, a first-year undergraduate student turned up at worship having recently become a Christian. He has no history of faith in his family and his journey began after his own explorations of the person of Jesus and particularly the evidence for his resurrection. We were all blessed by Joaquin a 17 year old from Chile who appeared on Easter Sunday sharing of his recent experiences of coming to know Jesus Christ, alone in his room. A few months later, we prayed for him on his final service at Pentecost, praying for God to empower him with the Holy Spirit as he returned to Chile with a passionate desire to share his newfound Christian faith with others. It has also been wonderful to see God work in a special young family who have recently discovered a living faith in Christ and have become part of the regular crowd of worshippers.

*Jesus said "I tell you, open your eyes and look at the fields! They are ripe for harvest."*

May we be encouraged by these signs of God at work and may we see many more lives touched with the love, hope and joy that is found in Jesus Christ.

## **A few words from Nancy Thompson**

Our trained prayer ministry team are available after each service to pray for you. Two people will sit with you and listen to your request, then, with the guidance of the Holy Spirit, will pray in the authority of Jesus' name. Recently, I have had wonderful answers to prayer during these prayer times.



### **Come forward for prayer at the front of the church after service**

For healing, for difficult situations, for family and friends, for guidance, or if something in the Service has spoken to you.

Our God promises in Philippians 4

“Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.”

Laura, Una, Margaret Semple and I had a wonderful day at the 24-7 Scotland Prayer Gathering in Perth in May. We prayed with people from all over Scotland and spent time in amazing worship. 24-7 Prayer are holding a global week of prayer from 1st to 7th September, so we've decided that our next Friday 24/7 style prayer event will be on 5th September from 6pm until midnight. Please speak with me if you can; volunteer to steward for an hour, help set up on the Friday, take it all down and set out chairs on the Saturday. Thanks. It's very exciting how God meets with us in these quiet, creative prayer stations. The last time, many people said wearing ear defenders and the absolute silence allowed them to hear from God.



## Dates for your diary:

Friday 5th September 24-7 Prayer

Wednesday 24th September 9am prayer room @ St Andrews Leckie  
Memorial church  
10am prayer walk

Friday 31st October Light Walk and 24-7 Prayer @ St Andrews Leckie  
Memorial church

Wednesday 26th November 9am prayer room @ St Andrews Leckie  
Memorial church 10am prayer walk

We are walking in His way. He is calling us to become a round the  
clock house of prayer.

Thanks everyone.

**Nancy**

[nancy@standrewsleckie.co.uk](mailto:nancy@standrewsleckie.co.uk)

## Children and Young People in prayer ministry

At our prize-giving service in June, we celebrated our children and young people and thought about how they can be used by God in wonderful ways, just like children in the Bible such as Samuel, David, Josiah and others. I'm delighted to share news of how we will be encouraging our children and young people into the prayer ministry in our church in the near future.

Some years ago, prior to COVID lockdowns, we had a thriving little group of children and young people who were involved in prayer ministry within the church. They would pray for adults after the church services, visit people in need of prayer at their homes, and even prayed for our church elders prior to a Kirk Session meeting. It was a blessed time for both the children and the adults involved.

**I am excited to report that we are now going to re-establish a similar group, and I have a group of willing children and young people ready to start this ministry!**

I believe that involving children in prayer ministry to adults is a powerful way to nurture their faith while also blessing those they pray for. When children intercede for others, they learn compassion and selflessness, but more importantly, it provides opportunities for them to experience the living God at work. Children's prayers are powerful simply because of the One we pray to – it is the same God who hears all our prayers, and His power can work through children just as it does adults. There is no hierarchy in His presence—He values the whispered faith of a child just as much as the seasoned prayers of grown-ups. And when children and adults alike witness miraculous answers to prayer, then it builds their faith and makes them hungry to experience more of God! That's why this is all so exciting!



*Children praying for each other during Sunday Club time.*

As you know, prayer ministry is offered at the end of our Sunday services. Anyone who would like prayer can go forwards and be prayed for by members of our trained prayer ministry team. We hope to be in a position not long after the summer break where a group of children and young people (who have also undergone training in prayer ministry) can be present after the Sunday morning services to also offer prayer ministry. They will form a separate group to the adult prayer ministry team, and people will be invited to simply go to whichever group they would like to receive prayer from. To safeguard our children, there will be an adult leader with them, and they will ask people briefly what they would like prayer for. If there is anything that seems like it might be sensitive or upsetting for the children, then people may be encouraged to go to the adult team instead. But it isn't envisaged this will happen often, so don't be put off coming forwards! Receiving prayer from children can be such a blessing. Their simple, trusting words often carry a unique sincerity that helps to soften hearts and rekindles hope.

This is part of our church's vision of being a round-the-clock house of prayer, and I would strongly encourage anyone to come forwards for prayer – by the children or by the grown-ups! It's time in God's presence and there's nothing better!

**Laura Cassidy**



**What a fabulous fancy dress for the Peebles Beltane Festival.**





## August

Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Craft fayre	Leckie Memorial Church
Monday 18th	Film day	Leckie Memorial Church hall
Sunday 24th	Back to school service	Yellowcraig beach
Tuesday 26th	Toddlers re starts	Leckie Memorial Church
Monday 30th	Crazy golf	Leckie Memorial Church
Sunday 31th	Praise in the park	Leckie Memorial Church

## September

Monday 01 <sup>st</sup>	Quiz night	Leckie Memorial Church
Tuesday 02nd	First Tuesday friends	Leckie Memorial Church
Friday 5th	24hr prayer	Leckie Memorial Church
Wednesday 10th	Community cafe reopens	Leckie Memorial Church hall
Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Slow cooker meal	Leckie Memorial Church
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup>	24 hour prayer	Leckie Memorial Church Prayer room

## October

Sunday 5th	Harvest service	Leckie Memorial Church
Wednesday 24th	24 hour prayer	Leckie Memorial Church Prayer room
Friday 31st	24 hour prayer and light walk	Leckie Memorial Church

# Some of the things people are doing for their £10 Challenge

Craft Fayre  
10am-2pm  
02/8/2025

Crazy Golf  
10am-2pm  
30/8/25

Film Day  
18/8/25  
All age showing  
@2pm  
Adults showing @  
5pm & 8pm

Tour o the  
borders

Quiz Night  
01/09/25  
7-9:30pm

Time Capsule  
September

Sponsored  
mountain  
bike events

Sponsored  
hill climb

Quiz  
Sheets

Dog walking  
services

Posters and information are on the  
noticeboard outside of the church office

# How did you find your faith???

"This month, Wilma Barret shares the inspiring story of how she found her faith. I hope you find it as moving and meaningful as I did."

I was living a life that never gave me lasting peace or joy or satisfaction. In 1976 my friend took me to a local evening service. There I heard about Jesus who died to take away our sins and could change my life. I cried and cried. At the end of the service I talked to the lay preacher. We prayed and I asked Jesus into my life, repented of my sins and asked for forgiveness.

My life changed dramatically for about a year and a half. But my new faith was not strong enough, I turned my back on Jesus and was drawn back to many of my old habits for six years. However, God was not finished with me and He did not turn his back on me nor abandon me. No, He had a plan and used my cousin who lived in South Africa, who was a devout follower of Jesus and adherent to God's calling. She came thousands of miles to bring me a message from God.

God wanted me to repent of my six years wandering in a desert place and return to Jesus. In fact, what He was offering me was a second chance, a fresh start. It was a struggle and I felt pulled in two directions, but I knew I had a choice to make. Who did I need more in my life, Jesus or Satan, the enemy of the followers of Jesus? Who loved me so much that he died on the cross for me? Jesus. Who promised me eternal life? Jesus. Who promised never to leave me or abandon me? Jesus.

I prayed and asked Jesus to forgive me for everything and take me back, so that He would live in me and I would live in Him. At times it can be a difficult journey to be on, but with God's help Jesus on my side and the Holy Spirit guiding me I would not want my life to be any different.

# Youth with Sarah Brown

In July, 6 young people (Grace R, Grace C, Ryley, Eliana, Connie and William) from St Andrews Leckie Church and St Peters Episcopal Church, plus John D and Sarah went to Culloden and Ardersier Church to help with their first holiday club.

Pamela Kennedy who was previously a member of St Andrews Leckie church and worked with Innerleithen Church, is now the minister there, so it was great to meet up with the Kennedy family!

We also met with 15 other young people and some adults from the church to help run the kids holiday club in their allotment.

The holiday club ran from 1-4pm each day and included themes such as God's creation, the fall, God's plan, and our response to God. All the young people took part in the groups with the children, playing games, discussing the bible story and helping them with activities in the allotment, such as building a bug hotel, making pots, potting on and investigating the wildlife.

Every evening, the young people met together at the Manse for games, food and lots of hanging out time. We also went bowling and to McDonalds together. Our group camped in the Manse garden and so we were very grateful for the beautiful weather!

We really appreciated Pamela and Dougal's hospitality and we have made some new friends in Culloden. We hope that we have helped to encourage the youth group and the church as they share their faith with the local families.

Our young people from Peebles were great at getting stuck into all the activities, setting a good example of enthusiasm and willingness to serve, and quickly made new friends. They really cared well for the children, so we think word will get around and the holiday club will be even more popular next year!

CULLODEN 2025



Our Community cafe will be back  
on the 10<sup>th</sup> September

## **CAFE FOR THE COMMUNITY**



A warm place to have something to eat and drink

Homemade food,snacks a lovely hot drink and good company.

**Wednesdays 3:30-5:30pm**

Come and join us at The Leckie  
Memorial Church hall

All ages welcome.

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**Praise in the park  
31st August 2025  
at 2pm**

A service of praise for all the  
local churches to come  
together, with the Silver  
Band playing .



## Toddlers

Our Toddlers and babies group will be re-starting on the on the 26<sup>th</sup> August, we look forward to seeing old and new faces.

**We run every Tuesday during term time,  
Morning Session 10-11:30am**

For more details contact Sarah Brown – [sarah@standrewsleckie.co.uk](mailto:sarah@standrewsleckie.co.uk)



**WAYSIDE MARKET**

Barns Walled Garden EH45 9JL  
Saturday 23 August 2–4pm

**New walled garden venue**  
Cream teas (just £2.50)

**Crafts, pre-loved clothes,  
cakes, produce, plants, books,  
raffle, bottles and bric-a-brac**

**Face painting, family fun  
and live music**

Entry: £2.50 Children free  
Proceeds to Lyne and Manor Church

# SLOW COOKER MEAL

We'll gather for a joyful service followed by a warm Slow Cooker Meal – back by popular demand!

Please keep a look out for signup sheets coming soon!



St Andrews Leckie Church  
invite you to our

## Harvest Service

As we gather for our Harvest Service, let's remember those in need.  
Bring a non-perishable food item to share the harvest and support our community Foodbank.

You can also bring in fresh produce to sell in the Church Hall after the Service; the funds raised will go to Tearfund.

In aid of

**tearfund**

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2025





In The Leckie Memorial church hall, first Tuesday of every month 2-3:30pm

**Restarts 2nd September.**

Everyone is welcome

Come and join a lovely group of friends and have a tea or coffee and some biccies; you may be lucky and get some homemade cake!





**SOUL RESTORE**  
**Counselling**

# **Our Soul Restore office will open again on the 4<sup>TH</sup> August**

## **Counselling is:**

Confidential

A place to explore present or past problems.

Allowing you to reach a new perspective

Making your own decisions - Growth in self awareness, and forgiving others

Laying down of burdens

Counselling may help with physical symptoms of depression and/or anxiety by talking things through.

## **Sme of the therapy models used:**

As well as talking therapy, The counsellors use a variety of approaches, as individual as you are:

Relaxation breathing

Creative Therapy, including sand tray, stone work, paints etc.

Internal Family systems

CBT

Choice therapy

Psychodynamic and person centred

You and your counsellor may look at what approaches you are comfortable with

**For More information contact Soul restore**

**info@soulrestore.co.uk**

**01721 400 616**

## ..a quick word from the AV Team

First of all thank you for the encouragement our small (and somewhat overstretched) team get.

We have continued to make a number of changes behind the scenes to improve the consistency & resilience of both the sound and visual systems.

We have had feedback on the font size for the songs while watching online and in service, we have increased this by over 50% so hopefully this will be a little easier for some people to read.

We are also going through a programme to improve the sound quality of the livestream that should hopefully be more noticeable in the coming months.

Following the upgrade of the hearing aid loop system last year (for those devices that can be set to the "T" position or automatically pick it up), we routinely test that this is transmitting correctly during the service. Unfortunately the signal is somewhat affected by the metal radiators in the sanctuary so sometimes improvements can be found by moving even a seat or two. If you notice the loop sound to be significantly different (either for the better or worse) it would be really helpful if you can mention it to the person at the sound desk before the settings get reset when we shut down. That way we can hopefully make improvements for all that use the hearing loop.

Thanks

John Dimmock

# Christmas Cover Competition

**We are doing something a little bit different for the next issue. As the next issue will cover November December and January, I though it may be fun to have a little competition to design the front cover. The winner will be chosen by Malcolm.**

The theme for the competition is 'Hope and Light', and the winning photo will be featured on the cover of our November/December/January issue.

## HOW TO ENTER:

Send your photograph (PORTRAIT orientation) to [office@standrewsleckie.co.uk](mailto:office@standrewsleckie.co.uk) or hand into the church office with:

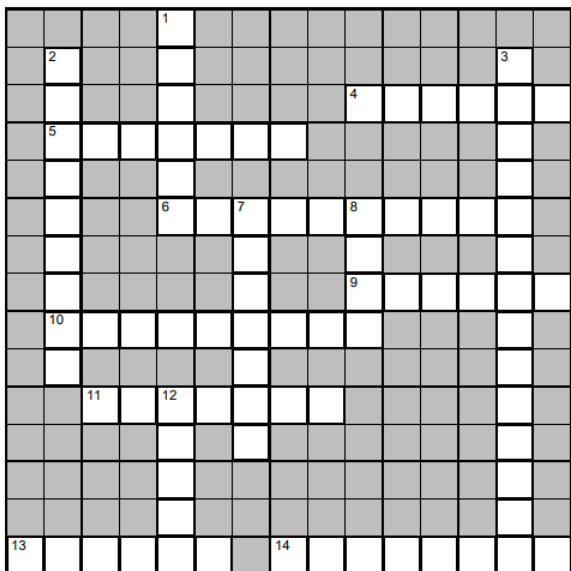
1. Your name
2. Your age (if under 18)
4. Contact email (for parent/ guardian if under 18)

## RULES:

1. Only one entry per person.
2. Entries for children must be submitted by a parent or guardian, or adult over the age of 18, on the child's behalf.
3. All entries must include a valid email address.
4. All entries must be sent by email before 12 noon October 10th 2025.
6. By entering the competition you hereby grant St Andrews Leckie Church to freely use that photograph for the purpose of promoting the competition within the magazine and online, in printed and electronic formats.



Mark 1



**Across**

- 4 What River did the baptisms take place in? (6)
- 5 What did the impure spirit come out of him with? (7)
- 6 With what will the one to come baptise with? (4,6) (4,6)
- 9 Who was Simon's brother? (6)
- 10 With what did Jesus teach with, in Capernaum? (9)
- 11 What did John eat besides honey? (7)

13 Who attended Jesus in the desert? (6)

14 Where did Jesus come from to be baptised? (8)

**Down**

1 Who wrote for them to make straight the paths for the Lord? (6)

2 What trade was Simon? (9)

3 Who was the predicted messenger? (4,3,7) (4,3,7)

7 The man with what disobeyed Jesus and told others about his cure, after being healed? (7)

8 What did Jesus

go to do in a solitary place? (4)

12 What animal provided the material for John's clothes? (5)

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