

ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH NEWSLETTER

2nd August 2026



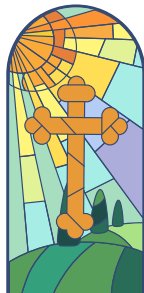
The Ninth Sunday after Trinity

Gracious Father,
revive your Church in our day,
and make her holy, strong and faithful,
for your glory's sake
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Choral Evensong

A reminder that here is no Evensong in August.

The next will be on **Sunday 13th September**, then the 2nd Sunday of each month | 6:30pm



Words from the Book of Common Prayer and music in the Anglican choral tradition.



Afternoon Recital



There will be an afternoon recital at St Michael's on **Sunday 16 August at 2.00pm**, featuring Matthew Allen (flute) and Martin Parkes (piano).

The programme includes works such as Suite Antique by John Rutter, Aria, Waltz, Gnossienne No. 1 by Erik Satie, and many other favourites.

Admission is free, with donations gratefully received in support of East Cheshire Hospice.



WE ARE
HIRING

Job vacancy

There's going to be a vacancy in the Church Office!

Elaine has let us know of her intention to retire at the end of September. We will really miss her experience and diligence in managing our church building, ensuring that it is a welcoming and safe for all who use it.

We are hoping to recruit someone as soon as possible to join the office team, with the role of **Buildings and Bookings Coordinator**.

The role is **15 hours** per week.

Key aspects of the job include:

- Managing bookings of our church building, ensuring that activities coordinate and hirers feel welcome.
- Invoicing external users and ensuring compliance with PRS and events licences
- Overseeing routine maintenance contracts, supplies and minor repairs.
- Ensuring that safety requirements are adhered to.
- (and quite a lot more!)

If you would like to know more, please contact Rachel for a job description and application form, warden@stmichaels-macclesfield.org.uk or via the church office.

..and if you know anyone else who might be interested, please encourage them to get in touch. Thank you.

Closing date: **Monday 31st August, 5pm.**



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Weekly Eco tip

Repair, don't replace!



Before you throw something away, why not see if it can be repaired? The **Macclesfield Repair Café** is held on the second Saturday of every month, from 10.00am–2.00pm, at the Community Centre, Duke Street, Macclesfield, SK11 6UR.

A friendly team of skilled volunteers can repair almost anything, helping to save money and reduce waste. You'll also receive a warm welcome – and enjoy some delicious home-made cake while you wait!

The next Repair Café is Saturday 8 August. To find out more, visit <https://maccrepaircafe.com/>.

Please Pray for Girlguiding Cheshire Border

Please pray for the Girlguiding Cheshire Border this summer. Julia Hall, Ranger and Guide Leader is organising a large camp in August.

Please see attached prayer cards to pray for everyone involved in this exciting adventure. We pray for safety, good health, friendship, fun, and that all those attending will enjoy a memorable and enriching experience. Thank you for keeping the leaders, volunteers and young people in your prayers.

Tricia Wilson,
Vice President
Girlguiding Cheshire Border.



Children's Society Quiz 2026

**The
Children's
Society**

We are pleased to announce that this year's Children's Society Quiz is now available.

Jenny, Hilary and Tricia have copies minimum donation £1 per quiz, please. Thank you!

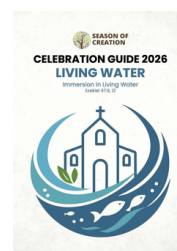
Season of Creation 2026



Online calendar of events ready to view now! Copies will be available in church soon.

Scan the QR code above!

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MACCLESFIELD 2026

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FREE AFRICAN FAMILY WORKSHOPS:

MUSIC, DANCE, STORIES, CULTURE.
CELEBRATING ZULU, KENYAN AND NIGERIAN TRADITIONS.
JOIN US AND SHARE YOUR AFRICAN CULTURAL MUSIC.

Where? St Peter's Church. Windmill Street.
Macclesfield Cheshire SK11 7HS

SATURDAY 1ST AUGUST AT 4:00 PM
THURSDAY 13TH AUGUST AT 4:00 PM
TUESDAY 1ST SEPTEMBER AT 4:00 PM

Everyone welcome, poster attached.



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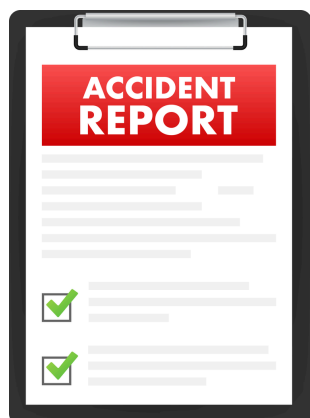
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Accident Procedure



If there is an accident, or indeed, a “near miss”, in the church building or in the grounds, it is important that this is **reported** so we can decide how best to protect against it happening again.

If you either witness or are involved in an accident or “near miss” on the church premises, could you please be aware of three things:

There are **First Aid boxes** available at the following locations if required (In the kitchen, Welcome Area, Youth Centre). These are marked with a large green “First Aid” sign. We have a lot of qualified First Aiders, listed on notices in several locations. One of them will usually be in the building.

There is an **Accident Book** next to the First Aid box in the kitchen.

Please fill out an **Accident Report** and give it to Isobel or Elaine in the office. These should NOT be left in the book (for GDPR). Put under the office door if it is locked.

Our Health & Safety Adviser (Steve Bradbury) and Churchwardens and/or Building & Grounds Team will review the incident and decide if any changes need to be made to prevent a similar incident happening again.



Some reminders from previous weeks:

Re-use and recycle stall Sunday 30th August

The SA&WW team is organising a fundraising sale in support of Tearfund. They are looking for donations of good-quality:

- Bric-a-brac
- Plants
- Books
- Children's toys
- No clothing!

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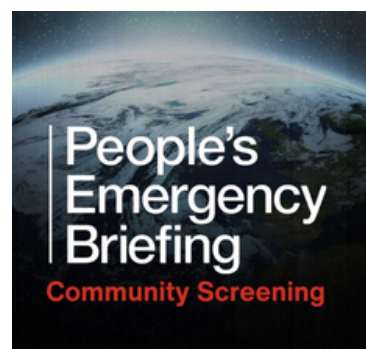
If you have any items you would like to donate, please bring them in by **Saturday 29th August**. Drop off down the left hand side of the Nave (near noticeboards) from Monday 24th August.

Thank you for your generosity and support.
Martin Bancroft, Ann Kite, Ann Radmall, Lynne Spedding.



People's Emergency Briefing film & discussion

**Friday 11th
September
7.30pm – 10pm
at St Mikes**



As part of Season of Creation, we are hosting a film and discussion evening.

More info here: (the link should work this week!)

<https://www.nebriefing.org/the-film>.

No booking required, all welcome!



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Sunday 2nd August

10:00am: The Eighth Sunday after Trinity

Bible Reading: Acts 18:1-4,24-28

Theme: People changed by God: Priscilla and Aquila

Leader & Speaker: Revd Martin Stephens

Use the link below to stream this
(and previous services) on YouTube
www.youtube.com/@stmikesmacclesfield



Start the Week

Every Monday from 7.30am in church
Morning Prayer at 8.30 am in church and also on
Facebook - [Link to Facebook](#)

Wednesday Morning Prayer Group

Alternate Wednesdays, 10:30am in the
Savage Chapel - lasting 30-40 minutes.

Thursday Worship 10:30am (35-40 mins)

Our midweek services follow the order from
the Book of Common Prayer (traditional language)
and alternate between Morning Prayer
and Holy Communion

6th August: Morning Prayer

13th August: Midweek Holy Communion

Thursday Homegroup

Meeting for Bible study and prayer
morning and evening groups
Please contact Eve & David Budgett (431606)
or David Mayers (420716) for more information

Held in the Silence (Contemplative Prayer)

Friday mornings from 9.20-9.50.
An opportunity for quiet prayer followed by a cuppa
and chat.

Choral Evensong Service

2nd Sunday of each month | 6:30pm

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in the Anglican choral tradition.

Compline/Night Prayer - Every Friday

Topic: Night Prayer | Time: 8.30 pm
Join Zoom Meeting; [Click here to join meeting](#).
Meeting ID: 756 7694 7476 Passcode: compline



Share your Photos with St Mike's Church Family



If you've any photos of recent significant
birthdays or celebrations which you'd like to share in
Church Family News on Sunday mornings, please send
them via WhatsApp to this number: **+44 7579 820265**

You can, of course, also email pictures and text to
stmikesnotices@gmail.com. The deadline each week
is: 12 noon on Wednesdays

How to contact the office...



01625 421984



Isobel: clergypa@maccteam.org.uk for ministry queries
(Office hours usually Mon & Wed 9.00-2.45;
Thurs & Fri 9.00-1.00.

Elaine: bookings@stmichaels-macclesfield.org.uk.
for bookings and building matters
(Office hours are usually Mon,
Tues & Thurs 9:30am - 1:30pm

- Bulletin/Newsletter stmikesnotices@gmail.com
- Printing maccteamprinting@gmail.com
- Safeguarding see box below

Postal Address: The Office, St Michael's Church, Market
Place, Macclesfield, SK10 1DY



The National Safeguarding Team
Promoting a Safer Church

Safeguarding Contact Information

If you have any safeguarding concerns, please contact
the St Michael's Safeguarding Officer, Liz Bradbury:

Phone: 07435 568 729

Email: safeguarding@stmichaels-macclesfield.org.uk

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prayer@stmichaels-macclesfield.org.uk
Your request will be circulated confidentially to
a limited group of people who will pray for you.