



SEARCH

mission and outreach

October / November 2026



Photo: Yosemite National Park USA



St Andrew's Zurich – with Baden, St Gallen and Zug

The Association of the Anglican Church in Zurich

Promenadengasse 9, 8001 Zurich



Standard Church Services



Sundays

- 09:00 Said Eucharist at St Andrew's
- 10:30 Sung Eucharist at St Andrew's
- 17:00 Holy Communion in St Gallen (2nd Sunday)
- 17:00 Holy Communion in Baden (3rd Sunday)
- 17:30 Holy Communion in Zug (4th Sunday)

Weekdays

- Monthly Choral Evensong at 19:00 at St Andrew's
- Wednesdays Said Eucharist at 10:15 at St Andrew's

Children & Young People



- **Crèche**
There is a crèche facility at the front of the church for children and parents. You are welcome to use it or its books and toys during the services.
- **Junior Church – Ages 4 to 12 years** (Zurich term times only)
Meets during the Sunday 10:30 service in the Community Centre.
Contact: juniorchurch@standrews.ch
- **Youth Group – Ages 12 upwards** (Zurich term times only)
Meets either in the Community Centre or online, Friday evenings 18:30–20:30
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St Gallen

Monthly services at 17:00, on the 2nd Sunday of the month, take place in the **Old Catholic Church, Dufourstrasse 77, St Gallen.**

Next services

- Sun 11 Oct
- Sun 08 Nov
- Sun 06 Dec (Carols)

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Baden

Regular monthly services at 17:00, on the 3rd Sunday of the month, take place at the **Parkkapelle, Römerstrasse 17, Baden.**

Next services

- Sun 18 Oct
- Sun 15 Nov
- Sun 20 Dec Eucharist

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Zug

Holy Communion services at 17:30, on the 4th Sunday of each month, take place at the **Reformed Church, Alpenstrasse, Zug.**

Next services

- Sun 25 Oct (Harvest)
- Sun 22 Nov
- Sun 18 Dec* (Carols)
*at 18:30

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A Change of Pace



Autumn in the woods is a colourful spectacle and equally a massive shutdown. As the temperature drops, the forest shifts its focus from growth to a deep sleep. The vibrant green canopy changes colour to beautiful hues of yellow, orange, copper and red and eventually covers the ground in a heavy, damp blanket of rotting leaves.

In the damp shadows of this grand transformation, the forest's most enigmatic residents take centre stage: the mysterious fungi. Touched by the autumn rains and the softening sunlight, fungi of all shapes and sizes erupt from the forest floor and decaying timber. Walking through the woods in autumn sharpens our awareness of the finer details. The crunch of twigs underfoot, the rich, earthy scent, the moss, and the soft light filtering through a thinning canopy all invite us to slow down our pace. Nature reminds us beautifully during this season that letting go is not a loss, but a necessary pause to gather strength for what is to come.

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Photos: Alexandra Thomas

A Time of Remembrance



“Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom”.

This is a time of year for memory. Remembering the spring and summer as they fade gently into autumn and winter, we use the memory of warm sunny days to chase away the cold, frosty, foggy days of October and November. We wrap ourselves in nostalgia for earlier days as we close the curtains on the day.



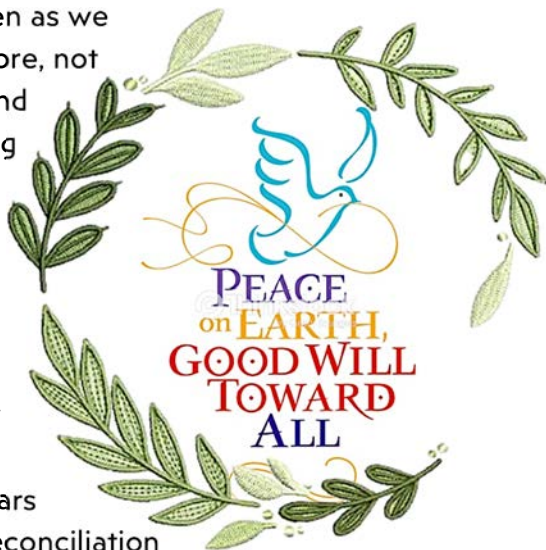
Photo: Gerald Thomas

There are so many rememberings at this time of year – and not just recalling summer holidays and lazy sunny afternoons. We remember to give thanks for **Harvest**, for all the work done by so many so that we can have food. We remember at **All Saints** *“men and women in whose lives the Church as a whole has seen the grace of God powerfully at work.”* (1) These can be the named and commemorated saints throughout the ages, with special days to themselves and even buildings to their name. Or they are the quiet and unsung saints who have inspired us, or others, in living lives reflecting the life and calling of Christ. The ones who every day were Christ’s hands, feet, eyes, ears and heart in and to the world around them. And there are many millions of those – I am sure we can all think of someone whom we remember as inspirational, compassionate, a living example of Christ to us. And it is at this time of year that we give thanks for them and bring them back to remembrance in our hearts and voices. And of course we have **All Souls** when we remember the faithful departed. Those who have touched our lives personally – our family members and friends. Those who live on in our hearts and on our lips and whose names

will be spoken out loud in churches in our services in November. They will never be forgotten as we speak their names once more, not just silently in our hearts and minds, but outwardly, giving thanks for them, for who they were, and for all they meant to us.

But of course there is also the **Act of Remembrance-on-Remembrance Sunday** and **Remembrance Day**. A time when we bring our fears and hopes for peace, for reconciliation and for mercy in a time of conflict and violence. A time when we remember that, though we are living in peace, we cannot take it for granted. War and conflict have taken their toll on the world throughout the ages – from before and after the First and Second World Wars. And war and conflict continue to scar the world and humanity throughout the world – we are all touched in some way by the conflicts that are ongoing. The First World War, that war to end all wars, did not bring lasting peace, despite the hope that our faith brings us in the song of the angels at the birth of the Prince of Peace: *“peace on the earth, goodwill to all from heaven’s all-gracious king!”* If only the world would stand in solemn stillness to hear the angels sing, but alas, *“man at war with man hears not the love song that they bring. O hush the noise ye men of strife and hear the angels sing.”* (2) But while the angels still bend on hovering wing over our babel sounds, whilst we still look to the coming of the Prince of Peace with the beginning of Advent, then there is still hope.

We need to remember. We need to remember those who have inspired us so that we too can live lives which will inspire future



generations to live Christlike lives. We need to remember those we have lost to help us understand and remember who we are and guide the future generations, our children, grandchildren, nephews and nieces, showing them that all people have value and worth, they are not just here for a season, then above. Humans can make a difference, even if only in the lives of those around them. And we need to remember those who have given their lives in search of peace, in defence of freedom, to protect hope and end all war and conflict. We can still hope that these conflicts will be the last, that people will come together and hear the angels sing of peace and hope and love. That we will come to see the image of God not just in those who look like us, not just in our family and friends but in our neighbours across the world. To see God in all people and all places. *"For lo! the days are hastening on by prophet bards foretold, when with the ever-circling years comes round the age of gold; when Peace shall over all the earth its ancient splendours fling, and the whole world give back the song which now the angels sing."* (2)



Photo: Alexandra Thomas

So, enjoy this time for remembrance. Hold those who inspire you and remember what it was that they did. Speak the names of those you have loved so that their remembrance will renew them in your lives. And remember the lives lost in the pursuit of peace, hope and love and work today to bring their lives to meaning by seeking that same peace, hope and love today, at all times and in all places as we prepare for Advent and the coming of the Prince of Peace.

Jackie

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- 1) <https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/worship-texts-and-resources/common-worship/churchs-year/times-and-seasons/all>
- 2) Hymn: It came upon the midnight clear, Edmund Sears 1849
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/It_Came_Upon_the_Midnight_Clear

Financial Pulse: Update

by Alan Boycott



For the **8 months** ending **31 August** 2026 St Andrew's received CHF 180,777 in pledges and donations. This is CHF 20,252 less than for the same period last year.

TREASURER'S REPORT



However, our expenses have increased, as planned, by approx. CHF 16,000. Obviously, this level of spending is not sustainable, but there is strength in numbers, and everybody can help.

You could pay for this copy of SEARCH which you are enjoying. You could also help us to increase sales by inviting your colleagues and friends to our annual Bazaar. There are many ways to make a difference, and people will thank you for introducing them to our welcoming community at St Andrew's.



Donating to Search

Guideline: CHF 25 per year.

Bank Transfer Details:

Bank: PostFinance

Account Name: The Association of the Anglican Church in Zurich

IBAN: CH04 0900 0000 8001 1689 3

SWIFT/BIC Code: POFICHBEXX



A Fresh Coat of Paint on the Loo Window

by Marilyn Marquard



The new caretaker at St Andrew's, **Tristan Neve**, who started with us in May, has been fully engaged in catching up on many regular and not-so-regular maintenance activities that have needed attention since Joe retired earlier this year. Taking advantage of a week of clement weather early in September Tristan sanded and carefully repainted the wood frame windows of both the **Gents' and Ladies' rooms**. The fresh

coat of white paint looks great and will be effective against the weathering of the wood for the next couple of years. A big thank you goes to Tristan for this important piece of maintenance.

On our wish list for next time: **PVC windows**, please!

Photo: Marilyn Marquard



Foodbank at St Andrew's: A Service of Hope

by Corinne de Klerk



Monday afternoon is Foodbank afternoon!

Our foodbank has kicked off, and it has been quite the adventure! Laura Rosso from *Thanksgiver* has been instructing and guiding us on how it is done and what is needed.



We meet on Monday afternoons around 15:30, as the van from **Schweizer Tafel** pulls up and unloads about 30 crates of food. Our volunteers bring the

crates to the Community Centre, where all our tables are needed so we can sort the food from heavy to light to super squishy. When that is done, the volunteers load Ikea bags with the groceries. We have **17 families** who are registered with us, so we fill 17 bags. However, until now we have not been able to get through all the food. So, whatever does not fit in the bags is left out on the tables. The families arrive between 16:45 and 17:30. They return last week's Ikea bag and receive a new full one. They also bring an extra shopping bag, so that they can add to the Ikea bag from whatever they like that is still on the tables.



There are definite favourites – potatoes, carrots, onions – and definitely less-desired foods (lettuce!). Sometimes we are given so much of one kind of food that we cannot distribute it all. Leftovers are unfortunately thrown away.



- **My first request:** if anyone knows of a farmer who can use and pick up some fresh fruit and veggies – please! Any other suggestions to have less waste are also welcome!

Our team of volunteers is fun – hardworking, but we also have good conversations and a lot of laughs.

- **My second request:** we do need more volunteers! Please know: The foodbank of St Andrew's only takes a few hours and does not need to be a weekly commitment. Our clients are wonderful people, and it is a joyful thing to do.

So please do let Jackie or me know if you have any availability and willingness to help on a Monday afternoon. And pray for us, that we may be a blessing to our clients and grow in our desire to see God's kingdom come here in Zurich. ♦



All photos: Mark Sellin

Harvest Festival – Sun 4 Oct



by Cécile Ineichen

We will soon be celebrating **Harvest Festival** on **Sunday 4 October**. There are already signs all around us of harvest and the fruits of the earth. It's a day to pause and remember God's daily provision and restoration with a grateful heart.



Charity Collection

As we would like to share God's generosity with others, money collected at our Harvest Festival Service will be donated to **Schweizer Tafel** (www.schweizertafel.ch/).



Photo:

Courtesy of Schweizer Tafel

Every day, **Schweizer Tafel** collects around 30 tonnes of surplus food and everyday essentials that are in perfect condition and distributes them free of charge to more than 500 social institutions, such as homeless shelters, soup kitchens, women's refuges, and food bank distribution centres.

Through their work, they help reduce food waste while supporting people affected by poverty in Switzerland.

As we would like to support the valuable work of **Schweizer Tafel**, we warmly encourage you to make a donation. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Collection of Goods



As every year, you are also invited to bring your donations of goods **on Sunday morning 4 October**.

They will be presented before God's altar in thanksgiving for his providence throughout the year and afterwards donated to **Sozialwerk Pfarrer Sieber**.

Goods to bring and donate

Groceries*:

- Tinned vegetables
- Tinned tuna
- Tinned soup
- Pasta
- Rice
- Sugar
- Flour
- Long-life fruit juice
- Long-life milk
- Cooking oil
- Vinegar
- Iced tea
- Ovomaltine powder

Toiletries*:

- Shower gel
- Hair shampoo
- Body Lotion
- Toothbrushes
- Toothpaste
- Shaving foam
- Disposable razors
- Aftershave
- Women's sanitary articles

*** Only new & unopened please**



Around **one hundred meals** are cooked in a catering facility **every day**, enabling homeless people to receive wholesome, healthy meals. In addition, those affected by poverty receive food in household quantities.

People with limited abilities are able to work in food processing and delivery.

For more information, visit
www.swsieber.ch



Photo: Harvest Festival Altar St Andrew's

Tufty comes to St Andrew's



by Gerald Thomas

If you are lucky enough to have **red squirrels** (*Sciurus vulgaris*) visiting your garden, as St Andrew's is, there are some actions you can take to make life a bit easier for them. By providing a little extra food and planting some red squirrel-friendly shrubs, you can create a safe and welcoming haven for them.

A feeder has been donated, which will be put up in the church garden soon to encourage these charming creatures to visit our garden more often.



When to feed

Before deciding to feed your squirrels, you should address a few simple issues. The main factor to consider, if outside of Switzerland, is the presence of grey squirrels (*Sciurus carolinensis*).

If you also have grey squirrels visiting your garden, feeding red squirrels could bring the two species into contact. This puts the red squirrel at risk of catching the squirrel pox virus, which is lethal to them.

Fortunately, the grey squirrel is not yet present in Switzerland. The invasive alien species was introduced to Italy in 1948. As the expanding populations in Lombardy, Piedmont, and Liguria grow, both Switzerland and France are increasingly threatened.

The second factor to consider is access to your garden. If a busy road separates you from nearby red squirrel habitat, attracting squirrels into your garden could put them at risk of being run over. It may be better to let them find their own food naturally rather than encouraging them to cross a busy road.

You can feed your squirrels all year round. The summer months can be one of the hardest times for red squirrels to find food, as the spring shoots and buds are gone but the autumn berries and seeds haven't arrived yet. Keeping a ready supply of food all year round can greatly help red squirrels during this gap.

Really important: what **NOT to feed**

Never feed them almonds, peanuts, Brazil nuts, bread, or any salted, spiced, sugary foods or fat balls! All nuts must be aflatoxin-free (no mould). Sweet, dried foods such as raisins and sultanas must also be avoided, as these are hard to digest and can cause calcium deficiency.



What to feed

You can provide a wide range of nuts and seeds, the greater the variety, the better. Unsalted hazelnuts are a favourite, especially in their shells. Walnuts, sweet chestnuts, cobnuts, sunflower seeds,

and pine nuts are other good options. In moderation, coconut is a wonderful additive to a squirrel's diet, with antifungal, antibacterial, and antimicrobial properties; it's a red squirrel superfood! However, it is important to ensure that the coconut is offered in its natural, unsweetened state to avoid any potential health risks.

Providing an additional source of calcium is particularly valuable during the summer for juvenile and female squirrels. You can do this by adding some pieces of apple or carrot, or by affixing a cuttlefish bone, an antler, or even just a bone for gnawing placed near the feeder. Access to fresh, clean water is also important, especially during summer.



How to feed

Feeding stations should ideally be positioned in an area that offers a quick escape route. Around 1.5 to 1.8 metres (5–6 feet) up a tree is a great location for a feeding station, but close to a high wall is another option. Keeping feeders off the ground reduces the risk of cat predation. If you know where the squirrels enter your garden, try to place a feeder along their typical route. Do not encourage them to cross open ground, where they are more exposed to cats. There are several squirrel feeders commercially available, or you can have a go at building your own.

Disease is a major concern for red squirrels, and regularly cleaning and disinfecting your feeder will help secure them against this threat. Any uneaten food should be removed before a feeder is restocked, and feeders should be thoroughly cleaned every three days using the same type of disinfectant you would use on a bird feeder. ♦

The Great "Spring" Clean in October ☺



by the Churchwardens Brian & Marilyn



Once again, it is that time of year when we gather to give God's house a well-deserved polish.

Do join us on

**Saturday 24 October,
from 10:00 to 14:00.**

We have silver to shine, carpets to Hoover, pews to polish and ancient cobwebs to evict. Who knows what lost treasures we might uncover behind the radiator once the dusting truly begins?

Whether you can spare thirty minutes or the whole time, every hand helps. Plus, finishing the chores quickly means we can get straight to the vital part: a lovely cup of tea or coffee, a delicious slice of cake, and a relaxed good catch-up.

Come for the duster, stay for the cake, and enjoy the wonderful spirit of our church family. We can't wait to see you!



CHURCH CLEANING

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&

THE PERILS OF OVER-ZEALOUSNESS

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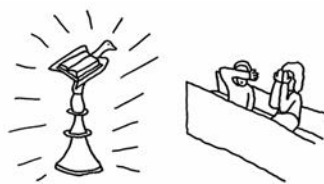
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DO THE BITS THE VICAR CAN SEE



IF IN DOUBT: PUT IT IN THE VESTRY



DAZZLING BRASSWORK

Murder Mystery Night – Fri 30 Oct



by Alexandra Thomas



*You are cordially
invited to an evening at*

GATSBY MANOR

(aka St Andrew's Community Centre)

The 1920s!

An era of gin, jazz, and rich extravagance. Perched on the shores of Long Island, the grand **Gatsby Manor** is home to millionaire media mogul Randolph Fitzgerald. With a reputation for hosting the most lavish parties in the state, a night at **Gatsby Manor** is an excuse for lavish indulgence and glittering revelry.

This evening, as the dazzling soirée unfolds, the festivities take a much darker turn. A body is discovered amidst all the glamour and it's clear the victim did not die of natural causes.

You are invited to help **Inspector Case** solve the murder.

**So, dust off your top hats, brush up your tails
– and ladies, slip into your finest flapper dresses –
there is a prize waiting
for the best-dressed guest of the night!**

Contact Alexandra Thomas, alexandra.thomas@standrews.ch

Save the Date – Murder Mystery Night



**MURDER
MYSTERY NIGHT**

AT

**GATSBY
MANOR**

FRIDAY 30 OCTOBER 2026

ST. ANDREW'S COMMUNITY CENTRE

ADMISSION IS FREE

Starts at 18:30 – door open at 18:00

Food & drinks buffet will be waiting for you.

Please RSVP by Sun 25 Oct
to Alexandra Thomas, alexandra.thomas@standrews.ch

Concert: Melograno's Tour BACH26



by Shaun Yong



Melograno is the Italian word for a pomegranate; an ancient and multi-faceted symbol. Beyond luxury, passion, abundance, and unified diversity, it symbolises the beginning and the end, alpha and omega. The pomegranate embodies the connection between life and death, and all that this entails: the future and the past; the heavenly and the earthly; the eternal and the temporary.

Their ensemble was formed around their shared love for the compositions of J.S. Bach. For us all, it is a common language: coming back to this repertoire feels like coming home.

FINAL CONCERT OF THE
BACH26
SWISS TOUR

Friday 6 November 2026
19:00

St. Andrew's Anglican Church
Promenadengasse 9, Zurich

Free entry

Retiring collection for the
Melograno Ensemble



Melograno Ensemble

- **Pablo Gigosos** - traverso
- **Zofia Piasecka** - traverso
- **Szymon Strusiński** - cello
- **Weronika Paine** -
harpsichord, artistic director

Weronika Paine is the wife of Alex, who regularly plays for us as guest organist for Evensong and the Carol Services.

New Quiz: "Who's the Boo"?



Guess WHO's behind the BOO?

The Clue to the Boo
is in this issuuue...

Send your answer to
search@standrew.ch
with the subject line: "Boo Quiz".

Prize: With a little luck, you
could win a bottle of red or
white wine.

(Age: 18 or older)



Boo's been very busy, he looks tired. zzz

The winner's name will be published in the December/January edition.

The Anne Catherine Nind Fund

St Andrew's is fortunate enough to have a Fund, set up nearly 40 years ago in memory of Anne Nind, the beloved wife of our chaplain at the time. The Fund was set up 'to assist needy, elderly and/or ill people who have a direct link with St Andrew's Church, Zurich and its daughter communities, to maintain their independence and health'.

If you know of anyone in need of assistance, or if you are in that position yourself, please have a chat with the Chaplain or contact the ACN Fund directly using the email address ACNFund@standrews.ch

*Every case is treated with the utmost confidentiality. The **trustees** of the fund are **Karen Morton, Philip Newbould and Philippa Milz.***

Autumn Is Squash Time



by Gerald Thomas

Roasted Butternut Squash with Flavoured Butter

Serves 2-4

INGREDIENTS

- 1.5 kg butternut squash
- 75 g butter
- 12 sage leaves, finely snipped into strips
- 1 (heaped) tbs harissa
- 1 tbs honey (or my favourite use 1 tbs maple syrup instead)
- Sea salt flakes



METHOD

1. Preheat the oven to 210°C (190°C fan), line a baking tray with baking paper.
2. Thoroughly clean the outside of the squash, halve and deseed.
3. Score the cut side of the butternut squash halves in a criss-cross pattern, about 5 cm deep.
4. Rub olive oil on to the cut sides, season generously with salt and place them in the oven, cut sides up.
5. Roast for about 1 hour until nicely browned, tender and charred around edges.
6. Place a small pan over a medium heat melt the butter, add the sage strips. Add the harissa, the honey or maple syrup, season with salt if needed and mix well. Cook until sizzling about 1-2 mins.
7. Drizzle the flavoured butter evenly all over the butternut halves and serve.

VARIATIONS

- Replace the sage with finely snipped rosemary (cook the rosemary a bit longer).
- Replace harissa with ras el-hanout (both available at the supermarket).
- Replace the honey or the maple syrup with 2 tbs brown sugar.
- Heat 2 tbs olive oil, 1 tbs maple syrup, ½ tsp salt, ½ tbs cinnamon, 2 pinches of cayenne pepper.

CHRISTMAS Bazaar – Sat 21 Nov

Bazaar
2026

welcome
to
St Andrew's Church
Christmas Bazaar

at
**Pfarreizentrum Liebfrauen
Weinbergstrasse 36, Zurich**

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– Only one stop from Central –

Saturday
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09:00 – 15:00

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Creativity & Community

by Alexandra Thomas



Creativity and community spirit shone brightly in St Andrew's Church Community Centre during our latest crafts workshops. Friends and a good turnout of old and new volunteers came together for a lively, hands-on day of crafting festive Christmas crackers, handmade bracelets and colourful pipe cleaner flowers.

The day was as much about connection as it was about crafting. The room filled with the comforting aroma of freshly brewed coffee and tea, accompanied by a spread of snacks that kept everyone energized. Between the snipping of ribbons and the threading of beads, the space buzzed with a steady stream of warm natter and shared laughter.



Photo: Alexandra Thomas

The influx of new volunteers brought a wonderful energy to the event. They jumped right in, helping beginners perfect their

cracker snaps and assisting with intricate bracelet designs. By the time the workshop wrapped up, attendees walked out with a renewed sense of neighbourhood connection.

If you missed out on the fun, don't worry! We have **three more upcoming workshops** planned for the coming weeks. You'll find more information **on the following pages**.

CHRISTMAS Bazaar – Sat 21 Nov

Bazaar
2026

CRAFTS WORKSHOPS

Would
you have a
couple of hours

to spare and fancy helping us with the crafts?
Even two or three hours would be a great help.
No experience is needed — just come along
and get creative with us!

- **Wednesday 30 Sep** (10:00-14:00)
- **Saturday 03 Oct** (10:00-16:00)
- **Wednesday 07 Oct** (10:00-16:00)

St Andrew's Community Centre
Promenadengasse 9, Zurich

bazaar@standrews.ch

CHRISTMAS Bazaar – Sat 21 Nov



VOLUNTEERS

Bazaar
2026

Our **Bazaar** can't happen without you!
We're looking for your friendly face and helping
hands to support us this year
on **Fri 20 Nov** and/or on **Sat 21 Nov**.

Your time, whether it's a couple of hours or the
whole day, makes all the difference.

Join us, be part of our great team and let's
make some memories together!

Please contact Carolyn Guler at
bazaar@standrews.ch

CALLING ALL BAKERS

Could you please help us with food contributions
for this year's **Bazaar Cafeteria**?

**Cakes - scones - sausage - quiches
veggie rolls - sandwich fillings**

would all be very welcomed.

Donations can be brought **to the kitchen** at the
Liebfrauenkirche Pfarreizentrum (near Central), either

- on **Friday afternoon 20 November**, or
- on the day of the Bazaar, **Saturday 21 November**.

Please **indicate** whether your donation is intended for
the cafeteria or the cake stall.

Every contribution will help make the Bazaar a success and
will be greatly appreciated. Thank you in advance!

Fiona Robertson, robertsons@bluewin.ch





DONATIONS



As every year, we will be collecting **various items** for our popular stalls. Your donations are essential to the success of our event, and we truly appreciate your generosity.

Books

- English novels, paperback only.
- Hardback non-fiction books such as cookbooks, documentaries, history, sport in English only.
- Children's books in German & English.
- No dictionaries, manuals or schoolbooks.

Toys (non-electrical), puzzles, wooden toys, soft toys, dolls, vehicles, LEGO, Playmobil, Fisher Price, stacking toys, board games, family games etc.

Jewellery, valuable silver, gold and beautiful costume jewellery.

Bottles (unopened), such as shampoo, hairspray, body lotion, perfume, cooking oil, tomato sauce, juices, sodas, drinks (with or without alcohol) etc. - (no mineral water).

British Groceries, if you have brought back groceries from the UK, please contact us or place the goods in the METAL box in the storeroom. If you leave the receipt with your name, we'll reimburse you.

Clothes & Shoes, ladies', men's and children's clothes.

Accessories, handbags, purses, wallets, belts, scarves, gloves, hats, sunglasses and more.

Portobello Market, antique items, high-quality articles, rare or vintage style objects (no plastic, no kitchen utensils).

Everything in clean and top-notch condition, please.

Collection Days

Sat 17 Oct
Sun 18 Oct

Sat 24 Oct
Sun 25 Oct

Sat 31 Oct
Sun 01 Nov

Sat 07 Nov
Sun 08 Nov

Drop-off Times

Saturdays
10:00-12:00

&

Sundays
12:00-13:00

Where

St Andrew's Community Centre
Promenadengasse 9, Zurich
bazaar@standrews.ch

Calling All Junior Church Parents! ♦♦♦

by Beth Young

Dear Parents

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Our **Christmas Bazaar** will be on **21 November**, and **Junior Church** plans to participate with our **Cookie Booth**.



Please let me know:

- if you would like to donate homemade cookies to be sold at the bazaar,
 - if your child would like to help sell the cookies at the bazaar,
- or ▪ if they would like to do both.

Please contact me on my email address below.

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Junior Church is proud to present its annual

Nativity Play

on **Sunday, 13 December** at 10:30am.

If your child is interested in participating, please contact me.



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Evensong at St Andrew's



by Shaun Yong

Music

Have you been to Evensong at St Andrew's?

If you haven't, you're very welcome to come. And if you have, you'll know why it is one of the best things one can do in the evening hours, and why the choir most enjoys singing it.

There is something special about Evensong. The day is coming to an end, the church is quiet, and for a little while there is nowhere else you need to be. You can simply sit, listen and let the music and words do their work.



Although the form we know today goes back 'only' to Thomas Cranmer's Book of Common Prayer, Evensong has roots in the ancient monastic offices. At its heart are the two canticles from the Gospel of Luke: the

Magnificat, Mary's song of praise when she learns that she will bear the Christ, and the *Nunc dimittis*, Simeon's song when, after a lifetime of waiting, he finally sees the promised Saviour.

Around these come psalms, readings, prayers and music. The words, hallowed by centuries of repetition yet speaking to us with the same meaning and urgency, give Evensong a sense of being both very old and completely present.

For the choir, it is the music that makes Evensong particularly special. There is an extraordinary repertoire written for the service, so rich that it is considered a musical genre in its own right. Composers from the Renaissance to today have found different ways to capture the words of Mary and Simeon, and of the psalms, in musical language of

their own time. We feel very blessed to be able to sing this music, and to sing it in the context for which it was written.

One of the wonderful things about Evensong is that you don't have to do anything. You don't need to know the service, or when to stand or sit, or to join in with the prayers if you don't want to. Some people describe Evensong as the side door into the church.

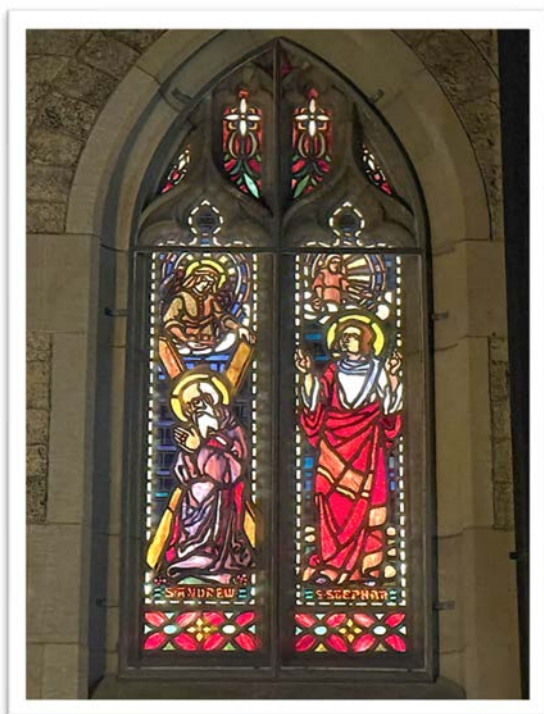


Photo: Gerald Thomas

You can come in without having to know exactly where you fit. The choir and clergy offer the service through music, words and prayer; you take part simply by listening.

And perhaps that is especially valuable now. We live surrounded by noise, notifications and worries demanding our attention. Evensong asks for something different. For about forty minutes, you can stop and listen and be reminded that we are part of something much bigger. At the end of the day, there are things we have done and things we have left undone; things we have got right and things we wish we had done differently. Evensong gives us a place to let go of all of that, and to entrust to God what remains unfinished.

So, have you been to Evensong at St Andrew's? Come as you are. Sit wherever you like. Stay afterwards for a chat if you wish or simply slip quietly back out into the evening. We would love to see you. ♦

Creation, Community and Choral Music



by Amber L. Mittelstädt-Nadeau



The Swiss Archdeaconry Choir Festival 2026

A delegation from our lovely choir headed to Basel on the first weekend of September to participate in the Swiss Archdeaconry Choir Festival (ACF). This year's Music Director was Matthew Martin, who joined us all the way from Gonville and Caius College at the University of Cambridge. We were lucky enough to sing Martin's original work, **Vidi Aquam**, as a reflective introit at both of our services.

The first service was Evensong, held in the wonderfully resonant Heiliggeistkirche on Saturday. The soprano soloist from Geneva was undoubtedly the highlight of the evening, leaving us in awe as she kicked off Dyson's **Magnificat in F**.

The anthem was Stanford's **For Lo**, matched the drama of the acoustic setting beautifully. And a special thank you to the organist, and Music Director of the Basel choir, David Blunden, who provided wonderful accompaniment and voluntaries throughout the weekend.



Participants from our choir at St Andrews Zürich

All photos: courtesy of ACF



Everyone gathered in front of the altar at the Heiliggeistkirche

On Sunday morning, we all made our way down to the Predigerkirche early for Eucharist. Lassus' **Missa Bell' Amfitrit' altera** was certainly an ambitious choice of Mass and really gave us the opportunity to challenge ourselves during rehearsals. It was particularly satisfying to hear everything come together in the service after all that work.

The service was held in both German and English, with the theme "Creation in Christ", although the Revd Dorothee Bertschmann, the Chaplain for the Basel Anglican Church, confessed that she had been telling everyone it was "Christ in Creation"! She went on to explain that perhaps the title works rather nicely both ways: Christ is present within creation, while creation itself finds its meaning and fulfilment in Christ.

I particularly enjoyed the reflection from Susanne Cappus, the Christkatholische Kirche Sacristan, on Hildegard von Bingen's **Der Lebenskreis**, from **Welt und Mensch**. The image of humanity situated within the wider cycle of creation seemed particularly fitting for a service exploring our place within God's creation and, perhaps, for a choir too, with each individual voice contributing to something much larger than itself.

It's not every day that you're able to dedicate a whole weekend to your singing. In addition to the beautiful venues and music, there was something rather special about having the time to rehearse, worship and spend time together as a group, alongside singers from Anglican churches across Switzerland. As always, a special thank-you to our Music Director, Shaun, for all the organising and preparation that went into getting us to Basel and ready for such a challenging and rewarding weekend.

And of course, a huge thank-you to the **Anglican choir in Basel**, who were such gracious hosts, putting on a lovely spread for us as we arrived on Friday evening and doing everything they could to facilitate a friendly and collegial environment where everyone was able to grow together in worship.

We're very grateful to everyone who made such a wonderful weekend possible and already looking forward to heading to **Geneva** next year! ♦



St Andrew's Choir Members taking a much-needed break!

Solutions “KidZone” Riddles (Sep 2026)



God said to Abraham in the cryptogram:

Abraham and Sarah move to a new land

A=G	E=D	K=B	Q=H	W=O
B=M	F=L	M=I	R=W	Y=N
C=P	J=S	P=T	T=E	
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W I T H G O D R M P Q A W E				



Solution to Crossword (Sep 2026, p.36)

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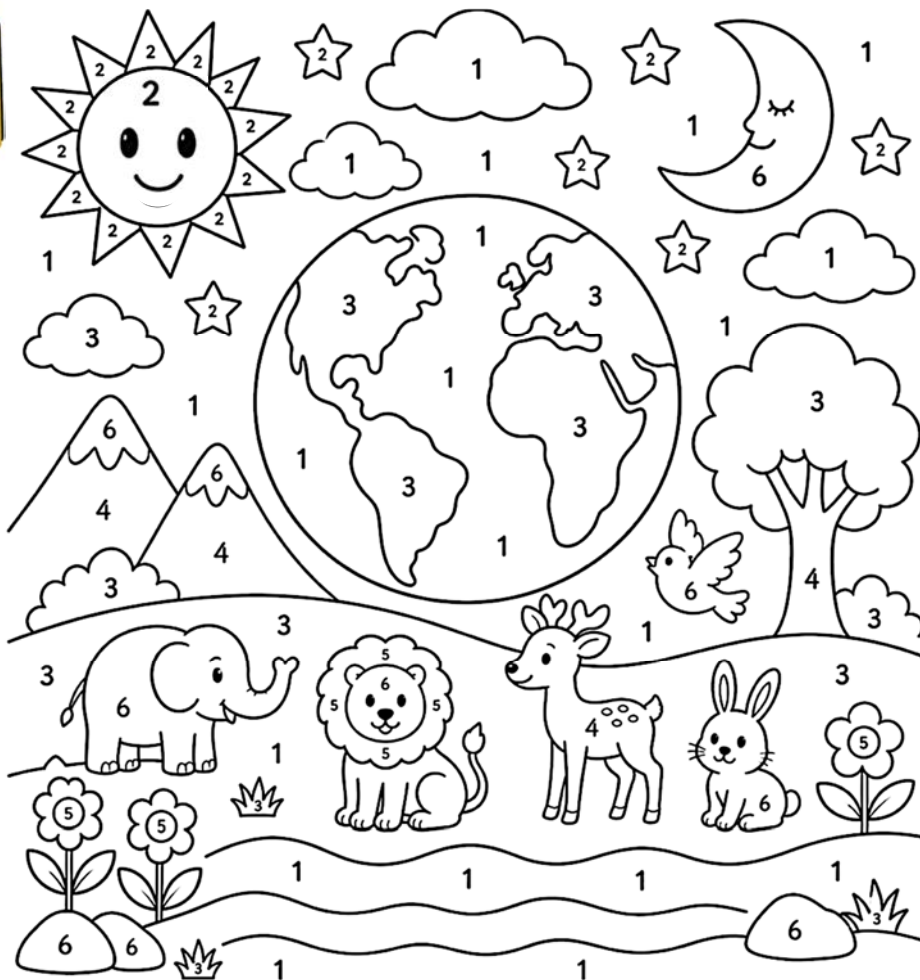
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CREATION STORY – Genesis 1:1

"In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth."

Colour by Numbers

Use the colour key below to colour each numbered area.



① = blue

② = yellow

③ = green

④ = brown

⑤ = orange

⑥ = grey

Crossword



ACROSS

- REMEMBER: You are so by God.
- On the second day, God created the Earth and the
- On the first day, God said, "Let there be"
- We need to take of this world.
- When God looked out at all he made each day He said, "It is very". (Genesis 1:31)
- After all His work God on the 7th day.
- On the 6th day, God also created
- We need to ... (like God did on the 7th day).

DOWN

- On the third day, God separated the Land and the
- He also, on the fifth day, added to the Sky.
- On the fourth day, God made Day and
- On the sixth day, God made the of the Land.
- On the fifth day, God added fish to the

Unscramble the letters to find the words in our CREATION STORY

AILMNS

ARSST

BDISR

AEHNV

FHIS

AEHRT

GHILT

ADEKNRSS

Sunday Services: October 2026



◆ Sunday 4th October: Harvest Festival

Deuteronomy 8:7-18; Psalm 65; 2 Corinthians 9:6-15;
Luke 12:16-30

- 09:00: Said Eucharist St Andrew's
- 10:30: Sung Eucharist St Andrew's, followed by bring-&-share lunch
- ◆ ▪ 15:00: Taizé Service, end of Creationtide

◆ Sunday 11th October: Trinity 19

Exodus 32:1-14; Psalm 106:1-6,19-23; Philippians 4:1-9;
Matthew 22:1-14

- 09:00: Said Eucharist St Andrew's
- 10:30: Sung Eucharist St Andrew's
- 17:00: Sung Eucharist **St Gallen**

◆ Sunday 18th October: Luke the Evangelist

Isaiah 35:3-6; Psalm 147:1-7; 2 Timothy 4:5-17; Luke 10:1-9

- 09:00: Said Eucharist St Andrew's
- 10:30: Sung Eucharist St Andrew's
- 17:00: Sung Eucharist **Baden**

◆ Sunday 25th October: Last Sunday after Trinity (Bible Sunday)

Deuteronomy 34:1-12; Psalm 90:1-6; 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8;
Matthew 22:34-46

- 09:00: Said Eucharist St Andrew's
- 10:30: Sung Eucharist St Andrew's
- 17:30: Sung Eucharist **Zug Harvest**



Sunday Services: November 2026



- ◆ **Sunday 1st November: All Saints' Day**
Revelation 7:9-17; Psalm 34:1-10; 1 John 3:1-3;
Matthew 5:1-12
 - 09:00: Said Eucharist St Andrew's
 - 10:30: Sung Eucharist St Andrew's

- ◆ **Sunday 8th November: Remembrance Sunday**
Wisdom 6:12-16; Wisdom 6:17-20; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18;
Matthew 25:1-13
 - 09:00: Said Eucharist St Andrew's
 - 10:30: Sung Eucharist St Andrew's
 - 17:00: Sung Eucharist **St Gallen**

- ◆ **Sunday 15th November: 2nd before Advent**
Zephaniah 1:7,12-18; Psalm 90:1-8,12; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11;
Matthew 25:14-30
 - 09:00: Said Eucharist St Andrew's
 - 10:30: Sung Eucharist St Andrew's
 - 17:00: Sung Eucharist **Baden**

- ◆ **Sunday 22nd November: Christ the King/Sunday next before Advent + Generosity Sunday**
Ezekiel 34:11-16,20-24; Psalm 95:1-7; Ephesians 1:15-23;
Matthew 25:31-46
 - 09:00: Said Eucharist St Andrew's
 - 10:30: Sung Eucharist St Andrew's
 - 17:30: Sung Eucharist **Zug**



Sunday Services & Evensongs



- ◆ **Sunday 29th November: Advent 1**
Isaiah 64:1-9; Psalm 80:1-8; 1 Corinthians 1:3-9; Mark 13:24-37
 - 09:00: Said Eucharist St Andrew's
 - 10:30: **No Sung Service** at St Andrew's (→ evening service instead)
- ◆ **Sunday 6th December: Advent 2**
Isaiah 40:1-11; Psalm 85:8-13; 2 Peter 3:8-15a; Mark 1:1-8
 - 09:00: Said Eucharist St Andrew's
 - 10:30: Sung Eucharist St Andrew's
 - 17:00: Carol Service **St Gallen**

EVENSONG DATES 2026-2027

Tue 29 Sep 19:00 St Michael and All Angels

Fri 23 Oct **18:30** Evensong @Predigerkirche

Tue 03 Nov 19:00 All Souls

Tue 01 Dec 19:00 Patronal Evensong St Andrew

Sun 24 Jan 19:00 Joint Evensong (Christian Unity)

Wed 03 Mar 19:00 Lent

Tue 23 Mar 19:00 Tuesday of Holy Week

Tue 27 Apr 19:00 Christina Rossetti

Tue 18 May 19:00 for Pentecost

Fri 04 Jun **19:30** Joint Evensong @Augustinerkirche

Tue 15 Jun 19:00 Thanksgiving for the Choral Year



Advent 2026



CAROL SERVICES 2026

Sun	29 Nov	17:00	St Andrew's followed by Apéro
Sun	06 Dec	17:00	Christkatholische Kirche St Gallen
Sat	12 Dec	17:00	St Andrew's
Sun	13 Dec	17:00	St Andrew's
Mon	14 Dec	19:00	Reformed Church Nussbaumen
Wed	16 Dec	19:30	Augustinerkirche Zurich
Fri	18 Dec	18:30	Reformed Church Zug
Sun	20 Dec	17:00	Parkkapelle Baden (Eucharist w/ Carols)

