

**Readings and Collect for Sunday 24th September**  
**The sixteenth Sunday after Trinity**

Nehemiah 2:11-20 2 Corinthians 1:12-24 Matthew 7:15-29

Eucharist Prayer D

O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear the prayers of your people who call upon you; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**Readings for Thursday 28th September**

Haggai 1:1-8 Psalm 149:1-5 Luke 9:7-9

**Readings and Collect for Sunday 1st October Harvest Thanksgiving**

John 6:1-13

Eucharist Prayer E

Eternal God, you crown the year with your goodness and you give us the fruits of the earth in their season: grant that we may use them to your glory, for the relief of those in need and for our own well-being; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**Readings for Thursday 5th October**

Nehemiah 8:1-12 Psalm 19:7-11 Luke 10:1-12

*NB: These Readings and Collects may be subject to change.*

The next Focus is **8<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup> October**  
Please email items to: [standrewr@outlook.com](mailto:standrewr@outlook.com)  
or phone Gill 253743, or Claire 623419.  
**By 9pm Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> October**



**St Andrew's Rushmere**

**Focus for Weeks**  
**24<sup>th</sup> September -**  
**7<sup>th</sup> October**



**Join us at St Andrew's**  
**on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> October for a**  
**Harvest Thanksgiving Service**  
**at 10.00am**

This is followed by a Bring and Share Lunch  
in the Church Hall at 12pm  
Please sign the sheet with name,  
savoury, or dessert, or £5 donation



**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> September**  
**@ 3 - 5pm**

**at the Scout Hall, Dumbarton**  
**Road, IP4 3JP**

*Crafts, food and great fun for all the family*

*Free entrance and all welcome.*

*(Children must bring an adult)*

For more information email:

[alancomfort11@gmail.com](mailto:alancomfort11@gmail.com)

## Ways of Giving

We are very blessed to have a most generous congregation who give freely of their time, talents, energy, compassion, hospitality and their financial resources; and to make this giving as easy as possible we have a number of ways:-

1. Standing Orders
2. Inter-bank transfers
3. Pre-numbered weekly brown envelopes
4. Collection plate at each Sunday service
5. Our contactless terminal for debit and credit cards
6. White printed envelopes for 1-off Gift-Aided donations, which need to be signed and dated, and with all the required information
7. The "Donate Now" button on the home page of our website: <https://standrewschurchrushmere.onesuffolk.net>
8. Our QR code printed above, scanned by a mobile phone camera and connecting to the Give-a-Little page linked to our website



Gift Aid can also be claimed by our Church, adding a further 25% at no extra cost to givers, so long as they pay sufficient Income Tax, (or Capital Gains Tax) in the current tax-year to cover their donations.

If you have any queries please ask a Warden, or our Treasurer Chris; Standing Order and Gift Aid forms are available.

Thank you very much for your continuing generosity to our Church.

Revd Alan

Chris Gibson

# Growing in God

**Saturday Morning  
Sessions 10am to 1pm**

## "Understanding Holy Communion"

**Saturday 30th September 10am - 1pm**

Session 1: The Passover to the Last Supper, and  
the Last Supper to the Lord's Table

**Saturday 28th October 10am - 1pm**

Session 2: Holy Communion and Common  
Worship: The Church of England  
Tradition

**Saturday 25th November 10am - 1pm**

Session 3: How does the service of Holy  
Communion speak to us today?

To tell us you are attending, please add your name  
on the sign up sheet in church, or email:  
[alancomfort11@gmail.com](mailto:alancomfort11@gmail.com)

The sessions are held in the Church Hall,  
are free and include a light lunch  
<https://standrewschurchrushmere.onesuffolk.net/>

**A big thank-you** to everyone who supported the Spring Concert series in Rushmere. We were able to make a donation of £1,500 to East Anglian Air Ambulance Service.



### Join a House Group this Autumn and explore Paul's ministry

The house group studies this Autumn/Winter will look at aspects of Paul's ministry in the eastern Mediterranean.

The groups will look at the heart of Paul's teaching and preaching: the establishment of new Christian communities; and the encouragement of believers.

**Groups will start from: 10<sup>th</sup> October at 7.45pm**

Contact: David Gill, or Alan Comfort for details and booking in.

[david@davidgill.co.uk](mailto:david@davidgill.co.uk)

[alancomfort11@gmail.com](mailto:alancomfort11@gmail.com)

### Your Church Needs You!

Gardening group meets Mondays 9am – 12pm.  
Join a friendly team with refreshments provided.  
Phone Sue 01473 723957



For the latest news check out our website at:  
<https://standrewschurchrushmere.onesuffolk.net>

Find us on Facebook at: [www.facebook.com/standrew.rushmere](http://www.facebook.com/standrew.rushmere)



### Music at Rushmere Sunday Afternoon Concerts Autumn 2023, 3 – 4pm



24<sup>th</sup> September – Suffolk Soul Singers

1<sup>st</sup> October – Daniel Law (piano)

8<sup>th</sup> October – The Gainsborough Quartet

15<sup>th</sup> October – Musicology – Vocal Group

22<sup>nd</sup> October – Ipswich Hospital Band

Free admission with voluntary contributions are invited for the Blossom Appeal at Ipswich Hospital



Refreshments are provided after the concerts



### Lunch Club

We are still looking for a cook to provide a main course and dessert for about 30 people.  
Every Wednesday except August.

All help and support will be given.

Phone Sue 01473 723957



### MONDAY PRAYERS

A time of coming together to pray for the church and parish from 4.30–5pm every Monday in church. All welcome.

*'Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful'* (Col 4:2)