

PCC Jottings

Present: Tim Gleghorn, Catherine Harrison-Smith (Secretary), Rebecca Armstrong, Alastair Gibson (Chair), Dan Darwin, Matthew Judd (arrived 19.45), Andy Waterman, Brenda Carter

Apologies: David Chambers

In attendance: James Collie

Becs led the devotions on the theme of being rooted in Jesus, referencing Ephesians 3:17-19.

James Collie attended the meeting in order to talk to the PCC about IT and AV. In line with the plans that the PCC have made, we are hoping to upgrade a lot of the AV systems that have served us well for the past 16 years but do need some work to enable us to reach more people through livestreaming and in other ways. The PCC thanked James for all of his hard work as he often goes above and beyond his role to make everything run smoothly.

There was a lot to celebrate over the Christmas season; with events spread throughout Advent there was something for everyone, from the midweek celebration led by Janet Cornish that brought different generations of the Church together, to Craftmas, to the Christmas Eve Nativity Service that brought together our Toddlers community and others from the Parish. Tim expressed his thanks to everyone who worked so hard to make the Christmas season a success.

This term we are going to be looking at Overcoming the Seven Deadly Sins through Lent, which Tim hopes will strengthen our defences as a Church. Victoria O'Brian has started as the new Headteacher at St Andrew's School; we ask that the Church family continue to pray for her as the staff team work alongside her. Tim has also let the PCC know that he wishes to take a Sabbatical in May-July in order to spend some time in prayer and reflection (and to watch some cricket matches) – the PCC wish him well in this time away.

We are hoping that the work on replacing the lead on the roof will begin in the next few weeks. The PCC extended its thanks to Matthew for all his work on the upstairs kitchen, which now looks amazing! There will be a lot to look forward to in the year ahead, including (but not limited to) the APCM in April, several improvements to the Buildings and Facilities, a Summer Series as a break from Life Groups and the Good Friday trail in Victoria Park. Look in Connected for details of these events as they come along!

Matthew ended the meeting in prayer.