



### **The Revd Robbie Strachan**

Robbie grew up near Bury St Edmunds in East Anglia, has lived and studied in Oxford and North London and currently works as Associate Vicar at St Andrew the Great in Cambridge.

Robbie always grew up attending church with his mum, but came to know Jesus as a teenager through the ministry of a local Christian Youth charity. He remembers hearing for the message of Christianity in a way that made sense for the first time – a compelling story of a God who loves sinners, and sent his Son to die and rise again – and he remembers thinking: ‘if this is what it’s all about, then everyone needs to hear!’.

Robbie has worked in a pub, in shops and as a lifeguard. Before university he spent six months living in West Africa with a missionary family, and whilst studying history as an undergraduate at Oxford University felt a sense of burden to explore full-time ministry and ordination. After a few years working for a church as a lay ministry trainee, he spent four years at Oak Hill Theological College in London, including an MA in Theology, and has been at St Andrew the Great since ordination in 2018. His current role involves working with university students, as well as regular preaching and teaching, and overseeing a seniors’ ministry.

Robbie has been married to Evie since 2014, and they have two children through adoption – Micah (2) and Lois (1). Evie grew up in Malaysia and the Midlands, and she is a secondary school English teacher by training.

In his spare-time Robbie enjoys anything outdoors, including running and walking the dog, as well as reading and eating spicy food. Robbie and Evie are looking forward to welcoming people into their new home and getting to know the church family at St Peter in Eastgate and Carlton.