All Saints Church was built from

local Bargate stone in 1901, on land donated by Lord Derby, when the parish of Grayswood was created out of part of the parish of Witley, Haslemere, Chiddingfold and Thursley. It was designed by local resident Swedish naval architect Axel Haig, who turned from ships to church buildings and whose memorial stone, in the form of a Nordic rune stone, is on his grave at the front of the church. The church's special importance is reflected in its Grade II listing.

The wood-shingled tower is typical of Swedish Gothic design and the pine roof over the nave resembles an upturned ship's hull, reflecting the designer's training as a naval architect, it makes for excellent acoustics.

Almost all of the carvings in wood and stone are by Haig himself. The carving of the reredos is certainly his work, and the beautifully carved and painted scene of the Adoration of the Magi (in the sanctuary) is also by him.

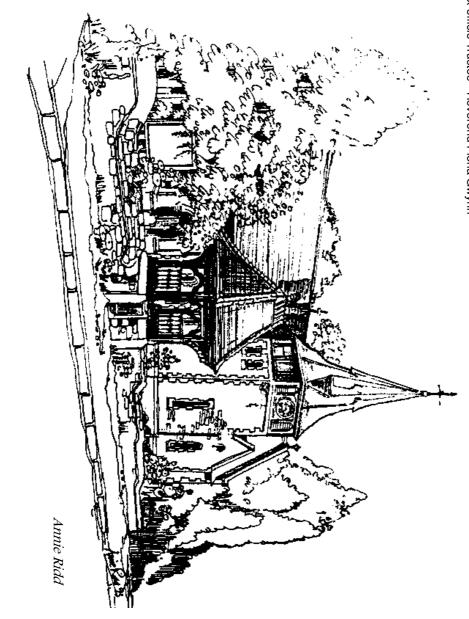
Some stained-glass windows are worth special mention. In the west wall is one by Charles Eamer Kempe, whose wheatsheaf trademark can be seen bottom left. The east window depicts the Ascension, as described by St. Luke, and together with the murals of David and Moses on either side, is the work of the Swedish artist, Carl Almquist. In the north transept, another original by Almquist depicts the Resurrection.

All Saints has played an important role in community life since the end of the Victorian era and is a much loved part of the fabric of Grayswood village.

The Trustees of the Friends of All Saints, Grayswood are:

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exists to raise funds for the repair, maintenance and improvement of the structure and fabric of the church so that it can be preserved for the future and continue to play a vital part in the life of the village.

Looking after a Grade II listed building is costly and in addition to on-going repairs, other improvements are required to maintain the church for worship and for the community.

Many people in the area are not regular churchgoers, but want the church to be there for weddings, baptisms and funerals, and also because it is a beautiful building which forms a central point in the village. There are also those from other parts of the world with past or present links who wish to be involved.

We urge all who care about All Saints Church to ensure that it continues to thrive. Our aim, therefore, is to involve the residents of Grayswood and the wider community in the care of this building and its surrounding churchyard.

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