

Myddelton Lunch, Drapers' Hall

1 February 2016

Each year, prior to the Myddelton Lunch the Myddelton Service is held when members re-dedicate themselves to promises and commitments made when joining the Company and Livery.

The Service, held at St Michael Cornhill was conducted by the Rector, Stephen Platten and our Honorary Chaplin, Rose Hudson-Wilkin.



After rousing hymns and a stirring sermon, Company Members, led by the Beadle formed up to process to the Drapers' Hall.

The Myddelton Lunch is a special occasion for two reasons. It celebrates our granting of Livery in 2000 and it is our opportunity to entertain the Lord Mayor and show support for the Mayor's Appeal.



The charities supported by the Lord Mayor include research on cures for Type 1 Diabetes and the Sea Cadet Movement.

The Sea Cadets is also a movement with which we have close links and the Lord Mayor, Lord Mountevans and the Lady Mayoress were welcomed by a Guard of Honour provided by Maidstone Sea Cadets led by PO Sam Stevens, their CO.



As well as the Lord Mayor guests included and Lady Mayoress and Alderman Andrew Parmley, Doug Barrow (Prime Warden Shipwrights) and Wendy Hyde (Master World Traders).

Our Past Master, Ivor Richards, with Past Masters from the Glass Sellers' and Plaisterers' Companies, were joined by members of the company and guests re-acquainting.



After lunch and a warm welcome, the Lord Mayor presented customary gifts to the Master and our Clerk. He then spoke of the importance of his year and the support he is giving to The City and his charities. Thanking him for his speech, The Master explained a little about the Water Conservators own charitable giving.





Our lunches provide a place for networking and reminiscing.



The retiring collection of £1000 was made for the charity of an earlier Lord Mayor, Sir William Treloar, who founded a hospital and school for sick children. Treloar today is a leading school for physically handicapped children.