

Our Mission (What has God called us to?)

MAKING PASSIONATE DISCIPLES FOR CHRIST

Jesus calls all of us to passionate discipleship. Believers express this through **CARE** for the family of Christ and through **WORSHIP AND DISCIPLESHIP** as we all make a lifelong commitment to grow deeper with Jesus by the power of his Holy Spirit. We call this **MINISTRY**.

Christ also calls others into his kingdom. Knowing we are loved by God, we show love to others. Firstly, by **EVANGELISM**, sharing our stories of life with God and proclaiming *the Good News* of the Kingdom. Also, by **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**, where we meet others and seek to help them know the love of God themselves through support and friendship. We call this **MISSION**.

Our Values (what matters most to us?)

Christ Church seeks to be:

Worshipping and prayerful

Growing in our experience and understanding of God, eagerly giving ourselves to God through worship and prayer.

Biblical

Rooted in the Bible, deeply committed to living out the Bible in everyday life and growing more like Jesus.

Outgoing

A church for all, that together we may be outward focused, compassionate, caring, introducing others to Jesus, overflowing with His love - **transforming** our local communities for the Kingdom of God.

Community

Deeply committed to one another, meeting together regularly, enjoying each other's company, having fun, and demonstrating generous acts of Christian love, service and unity. **Welcoming and open to new comers.**

Empowering

Where every member discovers and uses their God-given gifts, and empowered by God's Holy Spirit is willing to serve, witness and take risks for the Kingdom of God.

Ecological/environmental (TBC)

Always seeking to reduce the environmental impact of what we do and raising awareness of the environment.

We are an **Anglican** church (a part of the Diocese of Southwark), rooted in the **Evangelical** tradition and believe that we are empowered by the **Holy Spirit**, looking expectantly for his work in our lives.

Key Commitments (how will we make this happen?)

For Christ Church to step out in "confident action in Jesus' name" ***we have the following key commitments:***

1. Strategic Leadership for growth

Encouraging and developing a long view of mission and ministry for CCP in the PCC and wider congregation. To grow deeper together with God and to bring new disciples into the CCP family by witness, invitation and nurture.

2. Inter-generational church

Intentionally seek ways in which each generation can bless each other.

3. Equipping

A continuous programme of training, mentoring and providing opportunities to learn from experience by "going".

4. All member ministry

Encouraging the whole congregation to see welcome, care and witness as their responsibility.

5. Gifts

Encouraging the development of, and asking God for, specific gifts, especially prayer ministry, prophecy and evangelism.

6. Outreach and pioneering

Continuing to seek ways to reach out the community of Purley both from the Church Centre and also finding new times, places and ways to worship.

7. Prayer

Development of a commitment to personal prayer, corporate prayer and prayer ministry – for revival and for healing and transformation.

8. Pathways to membership

Develop and strengthen all links between parts of CCP, especially the route for a seeker to passionate discipleship within the family of CCP.

9. Church partnerships

Working for the Kingdom of God by partnering with other local churches and mutually supporting mission and ministry.

10. Fellowship

Getting to know one another better by hanging out together!

11. Diversity

Encouraging opportunities for all members of Christ Church from diverse backgrounds and cultures to be involved in all aspects of ministry and mission.

12. Environmental impact

Raising awareness of the environmental impact of what we do and encouraging good stewardship of resources in our communities.

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