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NOTICE OF ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

THE CHURCH
OF ENGLAND

Parish of St. Andrew's, Reading Street, Broadstairs

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting will be held in church at 7.30 p.m. on the 11th day of May, 2022

For election of parochial representatives of the laity as follows

To the Parochial Church Council 5 representatives.

For the appointment of the Independent Examiner or Auditor.

For the consideration of:

- (a) a report on changes to the Roll since the last annual parochial church meeting OR a report on the numbers entered on the new Roll;
- (b) an Annual Report on the proceedings of the parochial church council and the activities of the parish generally;
- (c) the financial statements of the council for the year ending on the 31st December preceding the meeting;
- (d) the annual report on the fabric, goods and ornaments of the church or churches of the parish;
- (e) a report of the proceedings of the deanery synod; and
- (f) other matters of parochial or general Church interest.

In this Notice, 'parish' means an ecclesiastical parish.

Signed

Revd Philip Musindi, Minister of the parish

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NOTICE OF A MEETING FOR THE ELECTION OF
CHURCHWARDENS

Parish of St. Andrew's, Reading Street, Broadstairs

A meeting for the election of churchwardens will be held in the church
on Wednesday, 11th May 2022 at 7.30 p.m.

This meeting may be attended by:

1. All persons whose names are entered on the church electoral roll of the parish
and
2. All persons resident in the parish whose names are entered on a register of local
government electors by reason of such residence

Signed _____ Minister
Revd Philip Musindi

Dated 3rd April, 2022

In this Notice "parish" means an ecclesiastical parish.

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Notes

1 Every lay person whose name is entered on the Church Electoral Roll of the parish (and no other person) is entitled to vote at the election of parochial representatives of the laity.

2 A person is qualified to be elected a parochial representative of the laity if –

(a) his or her name is entered on the Church Electoral Roll of the parish and, unless he or is under 18, has been entered there for at least the preceding six months;

(b) he or she is an actual communicant (which means that he has received Communion according to the use of the Church of England or of a Church in communion with the Church of England at least three times during the twelve months preceding the date of the election);

(c) he or she is at least 16; and

(d) he or she is not disqualified as referred to in paragraph 3 of these Notes.

3 (1) A person is disqualified from being nominated, chosen or elected or from serving as a churchwarden or a member of a parochial church council, a district church council or a joint council if the person is disqualified from being a trustee of a charity (and the disqualification is not subject to a waiver which permits membership of a parochial church council, district church council or joint council).

(2) A person is disqualified from being nominated, chosen or elected or from serving as a member of a parochial church council, a district church council, a joint council or a deanery synod if the person is included in a barred list (within the meaning of the Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act 2006).

(3) A person is disqualified from being nominated, chosen or elected or from serving as a member of a parochial church council, a district church council, a joint council or a deanery synod if the person has been convicted of an offence mentioned in Schedule 1 to the Children and Young Persons Act 1933 (with that expression being construed in accordance with Rule 71(2) of the Church Representation Rules).

(4) A person's disqualification under sub-paragraph (3) may be waived by the bishop of the diocese by giving the person notice in writing.

(5) A person is disqualified from being nominated, chosen or elected or from serving as a member of a parochial church council if the person has been disqualified from holding office under section 10(6) of the Incumbent (Vacation of Benefices) Measure 1977.

4~~3~~ A scheme is in operation in this parish which provides that any person entitled to vote in the elections of parochial representatives of the laity to the parochial church council or to the deanery synod or to both may apply on the appropriate form to the Minister of the parish (or other person signing below) for a postal vote. The completed form must be received before the commencement of the annual parochial church meeting.

Notes

1 To be included in a year in which parochial representatives of the laity are to be elected to the Deanery Synod.

2 To be included in a year when a new Church Electoral Roll is prepared. Delete as applicable.

3 This paragraph should be deleted if no scheme for postal voting is in operation in the parish.

4 Or vice-chair of the parochial church council as the case may be (see rule M19(2) of the Church Representation Rules).

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Vestry Meeting

Wednesday, 11^h May 2022 at 7.30 p.m.

Agenda 2022

1. Opening Prayer
2. Apologies
3. Minutes of the Vestry Meeting held on 2nd June 2021
4. Election of Churchwardens

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Minutes of the Vestry Meeting 2021

2nd June, 2021

1. The meeting commenced with prayer and a welcome from Revd Musindi.
2. Apologies: B. Collins, M. Daley, J. and H. Hills, P. Long, C and M. Stockwell
3. Minutes of the Vestry meeting held on 20th October, 2020 were approved, proposed by M. Hawthorne and seconded by J. Porter.
4. Election of Churchwardens: Two nominations had been received – Richard Collins and Jenny Lambert. There were no abstentions and both were elected unanimously.

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Annual Parochial Church Meeting

Wednesday, 11th May 2022, at 7.30 p.m.

Agenda 2022

1. Apologies
2. Appointment of Minutes Secretary
3. Minutes of the 2021 APCM
4. Matters Arising
5. Report from Revd Philip Musindi
6. Financial Report
7. Reports from: Churchwardens, including Fabric Report
8. Election of PCC Members and Deanery Synod Representatives
9. Safeguarding Report
10. Electoral Roll Update
11. The Voyagers Mission Group
12. Any Other Notified Business

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Minutes of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting 2021

held at St. Andrew's Church on Wednesday, 2nd June, 2021 at 7.30 p.m.

Present: Revd Philip Musindi was in the Chair and sixteen parishioners were present.

1. APOLOGIES: B. Collins, M. Daley, H and J. Hills, P. Long, C and M. Stockwell
2. APPOINTMENT OF MINUTES SECRETARY: J. Graham was proposed by P. Price and unanimously elected.
3. MINUTES OF THE APCM HELD ON 20TH OCTOBER 2020: Acceptance of the Minutes was proposed by S. Flory, seconded by M. Long, with all in favour.
4. There were no MATTERS ARISING.

5. REPORT FROM REVD PHILIP MUSINDI

Revd Musindi reviewed the most difficult year there has ever been, with churches, schools, businesses all closed. People have had to come up with new ways of doing things and he was grateful to everyone who had helped to keep the church alive. Key to this had been "Keeping Connected" which continues to be distributed by email, website, or hard copy to everyone. On behalf of the church family he thanked all who had played a role in maintaining the life of the church throughout this past year. His thanks went to all the officers of the church for their work during the year, cleaners, altar servers, volunteer office administrators, pastoral team co-ordinator and choir members. Particular thanks went to Graham Silsbury for his outstanding work in getting the Community Hall refurbishment to completion and for all those whose generosity, in time and money, had contributed to this success. The work of the Reader, Michael Hawthorne, had been invaluable. The Leadership Team had met fortnightly via Zoom, to take account of the various directives and guidance of both Ecclesiastical and Governmental agencies. He remembered those who had died and those who had lost loved ones during the year.

Looking to the future, Revd Musindi mentioned the review of the Mission Action Plan and the need to bring evangelism into the centre of St. Andrew's. He urged parishioners to look at the future with confidence, keeping our eyes on Jesus and trusting ourselves and the life of our church to him.

6. FINANCIAL REPORT

The Treasurer, Richard Collins, reported on the year just gone and referred to the Finance Report and Income and Expenditure Report which had been made available on the website and in hard copy, prior to the meeting.

Income: Planned Giving had done well, compared with 2019 and the increase in the use of Standing Orders had helped to reduce Bank charges (every cheque processed costs 65p in charges; cash income banked incurs a charge of 1%).

The Gift Day in December raised £7,440+Gift Aid = approximately £9,000. Donations totalled approximately £9,000.

Fundraising raised £2,565 during the year from functions held before the lockdown, and Ride and Stride in September.

Community Hall: £4,292 was raised, mainly before the lockdown, but ongoing use of the Upper Room had helped.

Voyagers: raised £1,669 during the year and gifted £1,800 to MAF, Mission Guatemala and Thanet Disabled Riding.

Expenditure: The Parish Share of £70,418 was paid in full. Expenses in running the church reduced by about £5,000 compared with 2019. The Hall running costs have marginally reduced; an error in the billing of the electricity account caused an overpayment of almost £1,000 and the credit will carry forward into 2021.

Community Hall: £163,653 is the cost of the refurbishment of the Hall so far; the final bill is still to pay.

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Questions to the Treasurer included a query on when the loans from parishioners for the Hall refurbishment would be repaid. There was no date in mind as yet, it would depend on future events, but with the closure, there had been less running costs and fuel bills. The Voyagers' finances had suffered due to the pandemic and it was hoped to get donations going again soon, as part of discipleship. Revd Musindi thanked those who had given donations during this year, which had helped to pay the Quota.

The Treasurer was thanked and congratulated on his hard work. Approval of the Financial Accounts was proposed by G. Silsbury, seconded by J. Porter and unanimously agreed.

7. CHURCHWARDEN'S AND FABRIC REPORTS

Fabric: The Quinquennial report in January 2020 found the church in a good state of repair with only a few minor repairs to be undertaken in the coming months and years. Repairs to the lightning conductor had been completed and we are currently contracting to replace two roof tiles on the church. Electrical appliance testing is currently being arranged.

The Fabric Committee is meeting again following the lockdown and will be addressing the problems identified in the Quinquennial report, as well as keeping up with maintenance of the church and hall.

Reporting on the conditions faced during this last year R. Collins, in his Churchwarden report, mentioned the restrictions which had meant Communion only in one kind and the cessation of home communion to people unable to leave their homes, or in care homes. On the plus side, this had seen the creation of "Keeping Connected" which is distributed by email or by hard copy to people's addresses and available on the website. This meant that even if people did not attend church, they could still see the news-sheet and keep in touch. Richard Collins thanked Duncan Foster for editing "Keeping Connected" and keeping the church website up-to-date throughout the pandemic, and the team of foot-soldiers who have delivered the paper copies each week to those without internet access.

Looking to the future, it will be important to work hard to achieve growth in numbers and financially to ensure St. Andrew's future. We will have to raise sufficient funds to pay our way and with the addition this year of a repayment to the Diocese of £10,000 towards the £40,000 loan for the refurbishment of the Community Hall. Hopes are with the youth ministry, with the junior church, grapevine and messy church encouraging young families to become regular worshippers. A new young choir director, Sean Darrock is bringing in younger members to the choir and we all look forward to being able to sing again in church. The Thanet Deanery have recently undertaken a financial review for the Diocese and to address the problem of current financial losses, it makes recommendations to reduce the number of fulltime clergy over the next few years. It is therefore more important than ever that we continue to pay our way in order to secure the future of St. Andrew's.

On the Community Hall refurbishment, which had been a positive outcome of the pandemic, enabling these essential repairs to be done whilst the Hall could not be hired out, Richard Collins thanked Graham Silsbury for his excellent work in project managing the refurbishment and also the team of volunteer painters and decorators. Work has been completed to Stage two, and Stage three which will cover the kitchen area, will hopefully be progressed when there are sufficient funds. A new Hall committee, led by Jenny Matterface, has been convened to market the Hall and get a good return on the investment.

The Voyagers Mission Group have suffered from little income this year although managing to raise £600 each for our three main charities. We will have to work extremely hard for the remainder of this year to achieve even a modest income for our nominated charities.

Richard expressed his thanks for people's support to him during this difficult year, citing particularly Revd Musindi and Di Springett for pastoral care, ensuring that nobody has been forgotten during the lockdown periods. He thanked all who had continued to meet and function during this year, including the volunteer office team. He welcomed the new churchwarden, Jenny Lambert, who will be working with him during the coming year.

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Revd Musindi thanked Richard for his report and invited Graham Silsbury to talk about the Community Hall. Because of delays in the work caused by lockdowns, the refurbishments had lasted a lot longer than originally envisaged and Graham thanked people for all their support. He had enjoyed doing the work and although it had taken a long time, it will be an asset for many years to come. He referred to the Diocesan loan of £40,000 which is a significant liability, but which had been essential for the completion of the project. The terms of repayment are flexible, but it is our target to pay £10,000 a year over four years. Referring to the loans from parishioners, he said that although it is not known yet when these can be repaid, if anyone would like their loan repaid, they should let Richard Collins know. He thanked the team of decorators and painters and commented on the great fellowship which this had engendered. The committee for marketing the Hall had already been very active and the website and Facebook had promoted the Hall as a secular asset. He was grateful to the ongoing hirers, those who had continued to use the Upper Room. He described the Hall as now being "high tech", with fireproof cladding, velux windows with light and rain sensors so that they would close if it rained. The lighting could be varied with 19 units which could change tone/colour according to the hirer's wishes. There are uPVC windows and blinds. The Hall is insulated so that noise levels could be kept low. There are still a few snagging issues to be resolved, before final payment can be made. Revd Musindi thanked Graham for his report and said that he intended to start a Parent and Toddler Group in the Hall in the autumn. Equipment was available, so it would be cost negative.

8. ELECTION OF PCC MEMBERS AND DEANERY SYNOD REPRESENTATIVES

J. Graham reported on a virtual year for PCC meetings and looked forward to being able to meet in person soon. We are entitled to 12 PCC members and 3 Deanery Synod representatives, based on our Electoral Roll numbers. She was pleased to report that 2 people for Deanery Synod representatives have been nominated and seconded – Michael Hawthorne and Graham Silsbury. There being no other nominations, they were duly elected at this meeting and will join the existing representative, Duncan Foster.

On the PCC, we have to reluctantly lose Fiona Pearse this year, who has completed her second three-year term. After two three-year terms, members are required to stand down for a year before they can be re-elected. Fiona will remain a staunch member of the church by staying on the Mission and Hall sub-committees, the Fund-Raising committee and assisting with the junior church. We thank Fiona for all her contributions to the PCC and are grateful that she will remain in her other roles.

Also leaving us after serving a three-year term are Ted Cheeseman and Maureen Daley. Again, we thank them for their service and are pleased to know that they too will remain on the various committees and initiatives with which they are involved. Thank you so much, to all three of you.

The PCC has four vacancies at present. The current membership is: Sue Flory, Matthew Gerrard, Sharon Gough, Janet Graham, Simon Kemp, Jenny Matterface, Rebecca Tebbutt-Ford, and Birgit Wilson. Deanery Synod representatives Duncan Foster, Michael Hawthorne and Graham Silsbury sit on the PCC in their own right, as do the Churchwardens, Richard Collins and Jenny Lambert.

9/10. SAFEGUARDING REPORT AND JUNIOR CHURCH REPORT

Approval of these reports was taken *en bloc*. Revd Musindi expressed his thanks to the Safeguarding Officer, Sue Flory, for all her work. Provision of DBS certificates for those working with children and vulnerable adults is progressing well and there have been no safeguarding issues reported during the year.

The junior church has been functioning remotely during the pandemic and Revd Musindi was grateful to Sharon Gough for keeping in touch with the children and their parents.

11. ELECTORAL ROLL UPDATE

J. Graham reported that there were now 136 people on the Electoral Roll. The Roll is reviewed every six years – the last time was in 2019, the next one is due in 2025.

12. ANY OTHER NOTIFIED BUSINESS

No matters were raised. M. Hawthorne thanked Revd Musindi for all his work, time and devotion to St. Andrew's. The Vicar then closed the meeting, with prayer, at 8.35 p.m.

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Finance Committee Report to the APCM

20th April 2022

This is the first opportunity I have had as Chairman of the Finance Committee to report to the APCM. Firstly I would like to express my thanks to Ted Cheeseman for all the work he did in undertaking this role.

Then to record my thanks to Richard who continues in his role as Treasurer combining it with his duties as Churchwarden. I'm sure I speak for us all of how grateful we should be that he is prepared to carry on as our Treasurer.

The Finance Committee consists of the Vicar, Churchwardens, the Treasurer and other members of the PCC. During the last year this has meant a maximum of six people although we now number just five. Pauline Jackson who has now stepped down from her role on the committee deserves special thanks for the dedication she has shown in leading so many social activities over many years as well as a contribution to the work of the Finance Committee. Thank you Pauline.

I would also like to put on record my thanks to so many of our church family who continue to step up often very quietly to undertake voluntary work and to make such a difference to what we are able to achieve. Without this band of volunteers the cost of running so much of what we do and achieve would be prohibitive and therefore affect much of the life of our church and what we strive to do.

Our terms of reference, that we review following each APCM require us to report to the PCC on all matters with financial implication. As we all know we have experienced difficult and challenging times over the last couple of years but despite this the committee has been meeting regularly normally remotely between PCC meetings to manage the financial aspects of St Andrews. It is a great joy to be able to put on record once again that despite these challenging times we were able to pay our full Parish Share to the Diocese. This is the most dominant aspect of our outgoings but closely followed by outstanding amounts needing to be paid for the refurbishment project on the Community Hall and then the costs of simply running St Andrew's. Phase 1 and 2 of the Community Hall had been completed at our last APCM in June 2021 but there was still a balance of payment to be made. This has now been done and so the contract can be regarded as complete. The expenditure makes up the vast majority of the responsibility the finance committee has to manage. The income streams are of course also under continuous monitoring by the committee and these figures are laid out in detail in the Treasurer's Report. Managing giving is continuously discussed by the committee and is also currently featuring as a major issue for the whole of the Church of England. Our social events and fundraising events plus the income we receive from hiring out the Community Hall make up the other elements of income.

In order that we can make the best use of our financial resources and the appropriate decisions year-on-year we need to improve the way we budget. Each of the PCC's subcommittees should submit a budget whether it shows income or cost associated with how it wishes to operate. The Finance Committee will continue to encourage this aspect of management. All improvements will enable us to have the best financial picture and also make important decisions on the expenditures, particularly when it comes to capital projects and there are several waiting to be undertaken.

Marketing our Community Hall is showing really promising signs with further improvements still to be made. Our volunteers in the Parish Office are doing really well

Along with finance the more important aspect of ministry at St Andrew's into the future is church growth and outreach and in this respect we all have a responsibility. It is the most important of our church life and of being Christians within the Church of England.

On behalf of the Finance Committee I would like to express my thanks for all our valued contributions towards our lives together as members of the church family at Saint Andrew's. Every one of us is capable of making a real and effective contribution towards growth and I would welcome the chance to discuss any opportunity.

Graham Silsbury

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Safeguarding Report

Status of DBS Certificates:

Prior to last year: 10 Certificates had been issued to members of St Andrew's Church (2 members have since moved away)

During this year 16 certificates have been issued and 3 are going through the process.

One more application is awaiting attention.

There have been no safeguarding issues reported.

Sue Flory

Safeguarding Officer for St Andrew's Church, Reading Street.

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Mission Committee Report

Overview

As with most church events, the frequency of meetings of the Mission Committee was reduced by the pandemic lockdown and there was a nine-month break between February and November, 2020. Meetings at first resumed by videoconference in 2021 (Zoom) and I am happy to report that we are now meeting face-to-face.

The sub-committees meet in between the two-monthly PCC meetings and produce a written report for consideration at the PCC meetings. This enables the PCC meetings to concentrate on matters of policy and process, leaving the "nuts and bolts" of church life to be discussed, referred to the PCC and activated on.

The Mission Sub-Committee

(Members: Rev Philip Musindi, Janet Graham (chair), Richard Collins, Michael Hawthorne, Jenny Lambert, Jenny Matterface, Fiona Pearse, Rebecca Tebbutt-Ford)

All things relating to mission come to this committee. Included in this report are updates from mission activities that happen at St. Andrew's – Women's Group, Churches Together in Broadstairs, Voyagers, CT10 Charities, Foodbank, Church magazine.

The Mission Committee reviews the Mission Action Plan and ensures that it is updated year on year. At the end of 2021 the Plan for 2022-2024 was compiled and is available to pick up in church. We try to ensure that all aspects of the plan are carried out, and of course some are easier to bring about than others. Youth ministry was going really well until the pandemic caused a stop. Thanks to Philip and his helpers, Grapevine and Messy Church are now poised to re-start. A new venture, the Toddler Group, which only started at the end of last year/ beginning of this year, is going from strength to strength, led by Churchwarden Jenny Lambert. The number of children attending is growing and some of the mums have asked for an Easter Service. We want to increase the number of youngsters in church and this is a very good way to start.

From the "new" to the "old" – the Voyagers Mission Group has existed for over fifty years and has supported mission here and abroad, notably Mission Guatemala, Mission Aviation Fellowship and Thanet Riding for the Disabled. Unfortunately, meetings ceased during the lockdown and there have been no committee meetings since March 2020. The committee members have been much reduced, and the group needs re-vitalising. Pat Price is owed an enormous debt of gratitude for having led the Voyagers since its inception and our best wishes go to her as she recovers from a serious fall. Her oft spoken mantra, "we are all Voyagers" is still pertinent and we now need to attract younger members of the congregation to the Voyagers and help them understand what the group is all about. The PCC is fully supportive of the Voyagers and there is a special item on the APCM agenda to bring the Voyagers to the forefront of our minds.

The Women's Group continues to grow, as you will see from Janet Porter's report. Birgit Wilson and Anne Dickinson continue to be our excellent representatives at Churches Together, which keeps all the Broadstairs churches united.

The reports from Jenny Matterface on CT10 Charities and the Foodbank is a sobering reflection of the times we are currently living through and her reports make very interesting reading. The St Peter's Foodbank, which St Andrew's supports, is also evidence of the need still present in the 21st century. Jenny has been a very important member of the Mission Committee and is standing down from the PCC from this meeting, having served for three busy years. Many thanks to Jenny for all her hard work, which I am sure will not end because she is no longer on the PCC.

You may have noticed that there has been no Parish Magazine for some time. The editor has moved away from the area and Rev Musindi has been tirelessly searching for someone else to take this on. There have been a couple of false starts, but we think there is now someone willing to do this. Hopefully, you will see this re-appearing before too long.

The following pages contain the reports and observations of all the groups who make up the Mission Sub-Committee and on your behalf, I thank them for all that they do at St Andrew's.

Janet Graham

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Women's Group

Report to the APCM, Wednesday, 20th April, 2022

Even though we missed a year because of the Covid pandemic we managed to keep in touch. A few afternoon teas at Taddy's Barn were enjoyed too.

When we gladly returned to our usual format last September, we found more new members coming along, so we can now boast a healthy sixty! We enjoy interesting and varied speakers and end of term services, always with a "cuppa" in a friendly atmosphere.

We had a "surprise boxes" stall at the Christmas Fayre.

We are all now raring to go!

Janet Porter (leader)

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Churches Together in Broadstairs and St Peters

All *Churches Together* events and committee meetings were cancelled from the start of the Covid pandemic in March 2020 through to October 2021.

Our first committee meeting took place on 7th October 2021. Christ Church Free Church of England has re-joined *Churches Together* after some years of absence and there were some new faces among the other member churches. During our catch-up, all member churches reported that they managed to minister to their flocks throughout the pandemic using various means and initiatives. A return to 'normal' church life was slow with parts of the congregation still very weary of joining face-to-face services and events.

At our meeting we planned the months ahead; a *Churches Together* carol concert was planned for 16 December 2021 at Tesco Extra Westwood Cross. A *Churches Together* Week of Prayer service at Queens Road Baptist Church was planned on Sunday 23 January 2022. Sadly however, both events had to be cancelled due to the rising numbers of Covid cases before Christmas. In January the concern was that mixing congregations while case numbers were still very high would be too much of a risk. The *Churches Together* luncheon on Wednesday 26 January 2022 at Queens Road Gap Café went ahead and despite only 4 attending was a very enjoyable event.

At our next committee meeting, held on 10 February 2022, we planned our next events.

St Andrews is to host a *Churches Together* 'Lenten Lunch' on 19 March 2022. Our Speaker is going to be Lucy Weichselbaum-Barlow from YWAM in Thanet. The lecture will be followed by a soup and roll lunch in our Community Hall. It is hoped that this event will be well supported by all member churches.

We also planned our annual 'Walk of Witness' on Good Friday 15 April 2022 from Balmoral Gardens to the bandstand on Broadstairs promenade. The procession will be followed by a short ecumenical service at the bandstand, hosted by Queens Road Baptist church as in the years before the pandemic. It is hoped that this very important event will be well supported.

The member churches are once again to submit their Easter services on the *Churches*

Together website. The Easter leaflets – printed in 2020 – will be used to advertise the *Churches Together* website and serve as witness to Holy Week and Easter. It is hoped that enough volunteers will come forward to distribute them.

We are also looking to put on a Sea Sunday event and feel an outside event would probably be best. We are currently looking at suitable locations. Other plans include a thanksgiving service at the end of the pandemic.

The *Churches Together* funds are now very much depleted. Our current account presently holds £166.60. Once our website fees and public liability insurance are paid, there will be no funds left in the account. Not having asked for subscriptions for the past four years, a letter from our *Churches Together* treasurer has gone out to all member churches. We are aware that all churches have suffered financial loss. We have therefore agreed to ask for subscriptions on a 'give what you can' basis.

As restrictions are continuing to lift and normal life is resuming, we are hopeful that

'Churches Together' will play an integral part in the church life of Broadstairs and St Peter's.

Birgit Wilson and Anne Dickinson

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CT10 Parochial Charities

I don't think Richard Culmer when he left 6 acres of land in the centre of Broadstairs to St. Peter-in-Thonet Church could have ever anticipated 500 years after his bequest how much need there might still be, or Hannah Taddy, who left four acres in her will dated 1726 at what is now Reading Street Road also to the church for the same purpose, 'relief for the poor and needy'. When they made their bequests there was no welfare state, no benefits except from the church or the parish.

The demands on the charity's resources were mainly for small sums but in recent years the needs of many in our town have grown through ill-health, unemployment, the continuing rise in the cost of living and, in the last two years, the impact of Covid.

Lockdown in 2020 with workers furloughed and the inevitable uncertainty over employment for those on zero hours contracts or the self-employed, and children out of school, brought new demands on the charity's resources.

I was approached by a community worker on the St. Peter's estate concerned about the impact on children's learning. Could we help by getting educational resources for some of the families struggling with home-schooling? A trip to The Works and a helpful manager meant we were able to create twenty bags of resources suitable for all ages giving the children some fun while they learned. Each bag had a book, puzzles, pencils, paper, pencil sharpener, Maths and English tests for fun and so on.

The continuing situation created a rising demand for school uniform as children out of school had outgrown their uniforms. This we continued in 2021 as the cost of uniform can be prohibitive for families with children at several schools. Covid had meant some schools were no longer running second-hand uniform shops. We always insisted the children got good shoes as most walk to school and need decent footwear.

Working in conjunction with the St. Peter's food bank we were able to help families who needed beds, cooking facilities, help with bills, school-shoes etc., items that our trustees would have found very similar to what they were able to provide over the centuries. Looking at documents from the 19th century it is interesting to see the names of the church wardens who ran the charity then –Mockett, Philpott etc, I'm sure they would approve of how we are still helping many years on.

Jenny Matterface

Chair

CT10 Parochial Charities

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St. Peter's Distribution Food Bank

During lockdown in 2020 Kate Grant who is a community worker on the St. Peter's Estate and with whom I had worked with CT10 Parochial Charities when she referred people for support, raised concerns with me over the issue of access to food for many families here. Thanet Food Link that was established in 2013 is based in Cliftonville and few from Broadstairs and St. Peter's attended their opening hours for a number of reasons. Firstly, the cost of getting there and secondly, the lack of knowledge it was there and who could attend. Statistically even before Covid hardly anyone went there from CT10. Children were not allowed to be there so that created an obvious question, What to do with the children if you wanted to go along? How to afford the bus fares?

Kate asked me if CT10 Parochial Charities would consider a grant for a food bank distribution point here. The trustees agreed and the St. Peter's Baptist Church was available. It has a decent-sized hall and several access points so anyone attending could be kept socially-distanced from others. Coming under the Thanet Food Link umbrella meant it could be part of their set-up using their warehouse at Westwood and their voucher scheme.

The approach was to be holistic as it's not enough to feed people since there may well be other issues impacting on the client. As a voucher referral scheme linked with other agencies, data can be collected on the need, where people live and why they are seeking help, all, obviously confidential but when funding is sourced data must be kept.

There is a café serving tea, coffee, cake and toast (the toast is important because the person may not have had any breakfast). A benefits adviser is available and Money Management training is available. The food is mostly donated but, as demand grows, on occasions stocks have to be purchased using grants. I am authorised to shop for what is currently need. Currently over 200 bags a week are given out at the two distribution points, 25% at St. Peter's. That's a lot of beans, pasta, tea, coffee etc. The bags are packed to a pattern with 16 items in each bag. Extras like shower gel, toothpaste, toilet rolls, fruit for children, sanitary towels and nappies for little ones are available as is pet food. Pet food is important because often people will ensure their pet is fed but perhaps not themselves. Each week a local bakery donates the bread from the day before.

It's not the answer to food poverty but it does mean people get food for three or four days at a time and are referred to other sources for fresh items if they have the funds. Today while I was unboxing toiletries a regular client popped in to say she had more hours at work so was ok for now. A relationship has been established and she feels happy to share her good news with us. The public is very generous but the need will grow as energy costs and food prices rise. Food poverty has many causes and the food bank can only do so much to alleviate it. I hope St. Andrew's will continue to support us.

Jenny Matterface
Volunteer

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Worship Committee Report

The Worship Committee is responsible to the PCC for monitoring worship at all services at St Andrew's and for discussing and reporting back on any relevant issues forwarded by the PCC. The Committee currently consists of Rev. Philip Musindi, Michael Hawthorne (Chair), Liz Cook, Richard Collins, Sharon Gough, Jenny Lambert, Birgit Wilson, and Sean Whittle-Darroch, and met three times in 2021. It normally discusses services held since the previous meeting and then looks ahead and plans forthcoming services. Any specific issues forwarded by the PCC are discussed.

In addition to worship the Committee has oversight of the Choir and Organist (please see the Choir Report for further information), Junior Church (please see its report), our Uniformed Organisations (please see their report), and the newly constituted Pastoral Committee (please see its report). Messy Church and Grapevine did not meet during 2021 because of covid.

The Committee also has oversight of the Sacristan Servers and Chalice Administrators. Their voluntary work is performed efficiently and quietly. We thank them for all that they do to enhance our worship. We would be glad to hear from any who would like to volunteer for this service.

Our Intercessors, Readers, and Sides people serve on a rota basis throughout the year and we always welcome further offers of help. We are especially anxious to recruit more sides people who have such a vital role in welcoming people to our Church.

During 2021 our worship continued to be affected by the pandemic, with masks and social distancing. It was wonderful when we were able to sing once again from April. With the lifting of restrictions members are returning to services and we hope that soon it will be possible to once more receive wine at communion.

Michael Hawthorne

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Director of Music Report March 2021-2022

This has been another successful year for the choir. From Christmas 2020, when I first took on the role of choirmaster, the choir went through a phase of quite rapid growth. We now boast a choir that consists of 24 regular singers, and a number of 'friends' who have supported appropriate services.

	Soprano	Alto	Tenor	Bass
Children	Matt George Jess Layla Ethan Rufus Jonty Daisy Dorcas		Filip Benji	
Adults	Sharon Maxine Jean Krystina	Peggy Olivia Rachel Paula	Martin Peter	Matt Richard Sean
occasional services	Molly Iona Margaret		Jacob Stuart	Chris

After this rapid growth, from a strong core of 6 regular singers, we are now in what I view as a 'settling' phase. Our focus for this year is on repertoire – given that many of the 'old favourites' are not widely known by many of the new choir members means that we are almost learning pieces from scratch every time. We have looked at a wide range of repertoire for renaissance and baroque up to contemporary choral composers.

Our soprano section, with the largest number of singers has two separate challenges when learning new repertoire... Most fall into one of two categories; can learn a new piece quickly but find it difficult to sight read or can sight read well but need a lot of repetition to secure anything new. The alto section is particularly strong and balances well. The tenors and basses are strong singers within their own right and can sight read well, however slightly are slightly lacking in numbers. One more additional voice for each part would make an enormous difference.

As the range of repertoire has increased across the year, it has also increased in difficulty. A conversation was had between members of the choir about whether some of the repertoire we had taken on was a step too far, however it is my belief that we also should be challenging ourselves; we must take on new and challenging pieces of music in order to become a stronger, more cohesive choir... and to widen the range of what we can sing.

The bookcase in the Lady Chapel has helped enormously. There is now a vast range of music that we need ready access to and a large number of people who need to get to it.

A big gesture towards this were the evening canticles for evensong. Stanford's Magnificat and Nunc Dimitis in G are big asks, however the choir handled them well and gave, in my opinion, a convincing performance that was well deserved considering the hard work they had put in.

The children have played a key part in the rejuvenation of the choir, and this has been supported by their weekly pizza evening prior to choir practise. This has ensured firstly a real family feel between the children and gives them something to look forward to at the end of the week. This is one of our greatest strengths as a church with a choir (and makes a future possible) and I have had parents asking about when their younger children will be able to join.

The adaptation of Junior Church times to enable our adults that lead that faction are able to still commit has also had an enormous impact. I would like to commend Sharon, Fiona and the team on the way they have worked alongside the children and the choir to be able to commit to both aspects of the church life and family.

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As we have returned to 'normality', we felt that it was time to return to the traditional evening services that had been enjoyed previously. The Taizé service went well and is easy to put together. The choral evensong was a much bigger undertaking, though there was a larger congregation present for these. These are services that the choir want to encourage and enable.

Susan, the organist, I feel has settled well. We have a good working relationship and I try to keep communication as open and clear as possible. Occasionally I have picked music that she has found a challenge to play, which is a reminder to me that it is not only the singers that I need to take into account when selecting repertoire.

We have previously discussed a 'Young Organist Scheme' which I am going to continue to secure for the start of the next academic year. Both of the boys who have played for us this year are keen to continue with their organ tuition once leaving the school where they currently learn organ.

I am incredibly proud of the work that our choir has put in over the past year and look forward to continuing to expand upon the strong choral tradition at St Andrews.

Matters Arising;

These are some things that have come up which I think are bigger than just our choir, but do involve many current and potential future members. Things to think about and potentially discuss at the next worship meeting.

We have had discussions in the choir in recent weeks about the expectations of 'commitment' and what this looks like. I have stressed that as a church we are all grateful for any time that someone can give up to support the church/choir. It would be better to have someone for 3 out of 4 Services than no services.

We do need to look in to ways to better support our evening services. It has felt to a number of people in the choir that there hasn't been the support for them to promote them, get the word out and encourage people to attend.

In order for us to have young organists engaged at the church, we may need to rethink our service music. This is something that I have wanted to do for a while, and have made some small additions, but it might be something we need to think about so that the service could not only be played by Susan, but also either of the boys to wholly involve them.

We have a tricky age range to cater for... the age 12-15 bracket of the choir. While these children are, from their own admission, too old to engage and enjoy messy church. While these children are current choir members, they do come for choir, but as they continue to grow up, I do question how we can keep them engaged in the long term. This is something that the whole church family will need to discuss. At the moment, the children in this age group enjoy attending Fridays and rehearsals, but don't feel the same about Sunday Mornings. I have some ideas, but something that would be easier to discuss.

Sean Whittle-Darrock

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Junior Church Report 2021 – 2022

Last year's report was written right in the middle of lockdown, and at the time we had not met for over a year. It contained information about what we had been up to remotely. In this year's report I am very pleased and grateful, to be able to highlight all our activities we have been doing face to face!

In the 2019 – 2020 report (last report before COVID) I reported that we had 35 regular children within junior church. Currently we have a register of approx. 24 regular children, a drop I would suggest that is expected since COVID interrupted our meetings. We have, however, been very pleased to meet 4 new children who now attend regularly since we have returned to meet post COVID.

As restrictions slowly eased back towards the end of June 2021, we made the decision to meet for 3 trial sessions before the summer holidays. At the time we still had to social distance, and we had to have a limit of 15 children each week, but it was so wonderful to be able to welcome everyone back on the 4th, 11th and 18th July. During these 3 weeks we separated family groups, had individual pencil cases and handled "Track and trace". There was also a risk assessment for any parents or child who wished to see it. Over these three weeks we focused on "being back together" and had fun sessions. On the last week before we broke for the summer holidays the children planted sunflower seeds so they could watch them grow and report back when we next met. Lots of the sunflowers grew beautifully.

Over the summer we were very pleased to hear that we could meet back without a limit to the number of people we could have in the community hall, and on the 12th Sept we returned in a way that was very much back to "normal". No more track and trace, and only masks to remind us COVID was still around! On the 3rd October St. Andrews welcomed Bishop Rose and the children in the weeks leading up to this made a beautiful garland made of handprints that the children wrote a little message to her on. This was presented to her at the end of the service.

The 19th December saw our first nativity play in the church for 2 years! "Shepherds Surprise" was another original play written for us by Maxine Gregory and cast and organised by Fiona Pearse. These two very talented ladies worked hard, and the play was a roaring success with children of all ages joining in. The morning ended with a little party lunch for the children.

After Christmas until just before Lent, we have focused on trying to place the well-known bible stories into context in the bible. The children were asked to write down a story from the bible that they knew and each week we enjoyed the story and a craft and discussed where in the bible it sat. This initiated lots of discussions on the meaning of the parables, prophecies, and miracles.

We are very much looking forward to another great year of being back together again.

Sharon Gough

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The Pastoral Team Report APCM 2021-22

The Pastoral Team have met in the last year and continue to be active in the Pastoral Ministry of the Church. The last year has not been easy but we have endeavoured to keep in touch with as many of our Church family as possible. We have continued to deliver Keeping Connected to those who are vulnerable and unable to attend Church in person. We visit the sick when we are able and hope to resume visits to Care Homes when advised.

Home Communion has also now resumed.

Regular phone calls are made to just catch up and reassure folk we are thinking of them and that they remain in the prayers of St Andrew's.

We are able again to be in the Lady Chapel after the 10.00 am Church Service to listen and to pray with anyone in need.

As we go forward in these uncertain times in 2022 the team will continue to work hard, not only for our Church family but for the wider community as well.

I would like to thank all the members of the Team for their commitment to the Pastoral life of our church.

Di Springett



Uniformed Organisations Report

20th April 2022.

The 11th Broadstairs Scout Group continues to do well in spite of the effects of the Covid pandemic. We have inevitably had some reduction in numbers across the Beavers, Cubs and Scouts, but the mixed programme of online meetings during the lockdowns, and now face to face meetings mean we have now returned to some degree of normality.

One particular result of the pandemic is that we have been significantly restricted in the activities that we are able to provide, and this particularly affects the outdoor programme of camping, district competitions, St George's Day Parade, etc., although we are now beginning to plan to return to these activities, now that all existing restrictions have been lifted. Also affected has been our ability to attend our regular parade services at St Andrew's, but we are hoping to resume this year with the Rogation service at the farm in May.

During the last year, our stalwarts, Scout Leader Dave and Group Secretary Debbie Humby moved back to the Portsmouth area, and sadly our Treasurer, Alan Emby, passed away in July last year. Alan had been our treasurer for the last **54** years, and is much missed, particularly since we are still struggling to find a successor for him. These departures have left a significant hole in our leadership team, which we are slowly beginning to refill.

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Other victims of the pandemic have been the Brownies and Rainbows who now no longer use our Group HQ to meet, and also the Vikings Explorer Scout group, who now meet in Ramsgate in much reduced numbers. The Guides continue to meet at our HQ, but also in much reduced numbers.

With the return to near normal conditions, we are looking forward to our numbers returning to pre-Covid levels, and to get our youngsters experiencing the full range of scouting activities.

Richard Collins

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Appendix 1 – Analysis of Income and Expenditure 2021

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Total Last year
Receipts						
Planned giving						
011						
0 - Gift Aid - Envelopes	4,421	—	—	—	4,421	5,108
020 - Planned giving - Gift						
1 aided	33,176	—	—	—	33,176	30,431
021 - Planned giving - non-Gift						
1 aided	5,204	—	—	—	5,204	5,649
Planned giving Totals	42,801	—	—	—	42,801	41,188
Collections and other giving						
030						
1 - Loose plate collections	4,224	—	—	—	4,224	3,604
040						
1 - Gift days	—	—	—	—	—	7,440
050						
1 - One-off Gift Aid gifts	5,593	—	3,460	—	9,053	39,140
055 - Donations - Church						
1 General	2,091	—	1,350	—	3,441	2,031
Collections and other giving Totals	11,908	—	4,810	—	16,718	52,215
Other voluntary receipts						
041 - Giving through church						
0 boxes	46	—	—	—	46	78
055						
0 - Voyagers Mission giving	—	593	—	—	593	1,669
070						
1 - Legacies	—	—	5,000	—	5,000	750
08A1 - Non-recurring one-off grants	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other voluntary receipts Totals	46	593	5,000	—	5,639	2,497
Gift Aid recovered						
060 - Tax recoverable on Gift						
1 Aid	14,050	—	—	—	14,050	22,495
Gift Aid recovered Totals	14,050	—	—	—	14,050	22,495

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Other receipts

055							
2 - Collections (not used)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
090							
1 - Other funds generated	317	150	370	—	837	550	
Other receipts Totals	317	150	370	—	837	550	

Activities for generating funds

090							
0 - Fund raising	13,572	—	—	—	13,572	2,565	
090							
2 - Refreshment Income	59	112	—	—	171	161	
091							
0 - Rummage sales etc	—	—	—	—	—	—	
122 - Bookstall sales - fund							
0 raising	—	—	—	—	—	—	
125 - Magazine income -							
0 advertising	—	—	—	—	—	—	
126							
0 - Parish magazine sales	—	—	—	—	—	46	
12601 - Magazine Sales	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Activities for generating funds Totals	13,631	112	—	—	13,744	2,773	

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	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total This year	Last year
Investment Income						
102						
0 - Bank and building society interest	1	0	—	—	2	31
Investment Income Totals	1	0	—	—	2	31
Receipts from church activities						
110 - Fees for weddings and funerals	2,814	—	—	—	2,814	3,319
121						
0 - Bookstall sales to promote objectives (n	—	—	—	—	—	—
123						
0 - Hall lettings - regular	—	5,272	—	—	5,272	3,412
123						
1 - Hall lettings - occasional	—	2,669	—	—	2,669	880
Receipts from church activities Totals	2,814	7,941	—	—	10,755	7,612
Receipts Grand totals	85,572	8,797	10,180	—	104,550	129,365
Payments						
Cost of generating funds						
170						
1 - **Fees paid to fund raisers	—	—	—	—	—	—
172 - Costs of stewardship campaign	100	—	—	—	100	627
173						
0 - Costs of fetes & other events	492	797	—	—	1,289	239
173						
1 - Booksales Expenses	—	—	—	—	—	—
173						
2 - Refreshments	20	—	—	—	20	13
Cost of generating funds Totals	612	797	—	—	1,409	879
Missionary and Charitable Giving						
180 - Giving to missionary societies	—	2,000	—	—	2,000	1,800
185						
0 - Home mission	—	—	—	—	—	—
Missionary and Charitable Giving Totals	—	2,000	—	—	2,000	1,800
Parish Share						

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191							
0	- Ministry parish share etc	71,122	—	—	—	71,122	70,418
192							
0	- Diocese & Deanery expenses	2,369	—	—	—	2,369	2,508
Parish Share Totals		73,491	—	—	—	73,491	72,926
Clergy and Staffing costs							
205 - Salary of parish							
0	administrator	—	—	—	—	—	4,266
206							
0	- Hall administrators salary	—	—	—	—	—	—
210 - Working expenses of							
1	incumbent	1,082	—	902	—	1,984	1,400
213							
0	- Parsonage house expenses	—	—	—	—	—	—
215							
0	- Vicar's telephone	—	—	—	—	—	—
237							
0	- Visiting speakers / locums	90	—	—	—	90	120
Clergy and Staffing costs Totals		1,172	—	902	—	2,074	5,787
Church Running Expenses							
220							
1	- Parish training and mission	—	—	—	—	—	—
230							
1	- Church running - insurance	1,643	—	—	—	1,643	1,630
231							
0	- Church office - telephone	352	—	—	—	352	660
231							
1	- Choir Expenses	1,010	—	—	—	1,010	107
231							
2	- Choir Master	1,782	—	—	—	1,782	902
232							
0	- Organ / piano tuning	448	—	—	—	448	435

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	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Total Last year
233						
0 - Church maintenance	141	—	—	—	141	75
233						
1 - Church cleaning	—	—	—	—	—	22
234						
0 - Upkeep of services	387	—	—	—	387	182
235						
0 - Upkeep of churchyard	—	—	—	—	—	—
236						
0 - Office Administration	2,066	—	—	—	2,066	1,692
236						
1 - Bank Charges	326	—	—	—	326	208
238						
0 - Church expenses - other	—	—	—	—	—	734
240						
1 - Church running - electric	483	—	—	—	483	320
241						
0 - Church running - gas	1,076	—	—	—	1,076	1,120
242						
0 - Church running - water	—	—	—	—	—	—
250						
1 - **Magazine expenses	—	—	—	—	—	—
Church Running Expenses Totals	9,720	—	—	—	9,720	8,092
Hall Running Costs						
253						
0 - Hall running - electricity	—	—	—	—	—	1,562
254						
0 - Hall running - gas	—	207	—	—	207	920
255						
0 - Hall running - insurance	—	1,644	—	—	1,644	1,630
256 - Hall running - 0 maintenance	—	513	—	—	513	346
257						
0 - Hall running - cleaning	—	103	—	—	103	80
258						
0 - Hall running - water	—	159	—	—	159	154
Hall Running Costs Totals	—	2,627	—	—	2,627	4,694
Church Repairs & Maintenance						
270						
1 - **Church major repairs - structure	—	—	—	—	—	388
271						
0 - **Church major repairs -	—	—	—	—	—	—

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installation						
272 - Church interior and exterior decorating	—	—	—	—	—	—
Church Repairs & Maintenance Totals	—	—	—	—	—	388
Hall Repairs & Maintenance						
280 - Hall + major repairs - structure	—	16,569	5,398	—	21,967	163,689
283 - **Hall + interior and exterior decorating	—	—	—	—	—	124
Hall Repairs & Maintenance Totals	—	16,569	5,398	—	21,967	163,814
Governance Costs						
260						
1 - Governance costs examination/audit fee	900	—	—	—	900	900
Governance Costs Totals	900	—	—	—	900	900
Payments Grand totals	85,896	21,994	6,300	—	114,190	259,282

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Appendix 2 - Mission Statistics

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
<u>Attendance summary :</u>									
Christmas	448	438	572	576	354	449	227	52	70
Easter	137	148	242	167	129	155	137		101
Ave.week-Oct.	117	143	128	112	148	100	131	61	200
Usual Sunday	88	91	91	93	79	109	71		
<u>Worshipping Community</u>									
Total		123	110	123	79	139	152	148	160
0-17		33	10	17	9	19	22	25	
18-69		60	70	73	30	50	60	54	
70+		30	30	33	40	70	70	69	
Joiners		23	2	16	2	13	18	8	20
Leavers		15	2	7	8	9	3	0	12
<u>Usual Sunday Attendance</u>									
Adults		75	79	80	80	72	90	51	
Children		13	12	11	13	7	19	20	
<u>Ave. weekly attendance</u>									
Adults	90	109	107	89	129	92	102	61	156
Children	27	34	21	24	19	9	29	0	44
Adults, School							10	0	0
Children, school.							23	0	23
<u>Percentage Children</u>									
Usual Sunday (aged < 16)	15	13	12	14	9	17	28		
Ave. week, Oct. (aged < 16)	23	24	17	21	13	9	22	0	22
Worshipping Community (aged < 18)	15	27	9	14	11	14	14	17	

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Baptisms, marriages, and funerals

Baptisms	19	29	12	17	19	15	11	4	11
Marriages	6	3	7	4	6	5	5	1	1
Funerals	4	20	8	9	8	19	9	12	9

Mission Statistics Notes :

Attendance Summary :

N.B. Because of the disruption caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, churches were not asked to report their Usual Sunday Attendance for 2020 or 2021, or their Easter attendance for 2020.

- Christmas: Christmas Eve & Christmas Day;
- Easter: Easter Eve & Easter Day;
- Average week, October: includes Sunday and midweek church services & fresh expressions in October but excludes attendance at services for schools;

Worshipping Community :

Worshipping Community information has been collected from 2012 onwards.

Usual Sunday Attendance :

N.B. Because of the disruption caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, churches were not asked to report their Usual Sunday attendance for 2020 or 2021

Average Weekly Attendance :

Attendance at Sunday and midweek church services & fresh expressions in October. Services for schools were included from 2013.

Percentage Children :

Average week, October: Attendance at services for schools is not included

Baptisms, marriages, and funerals :

- Baptisms: all baptisms & thanksgivings.
- Marriages: marriages and services of prayer & dedication after civil marriages.
- Funerals: those held in church & at crematoria/cemeteries.