

# CHRIST CHURCH

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*Christ Church – offering a faith-full welcome to all.*

*Growing, celebrating, engaging*

### STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

At Christ Church we believe that no one is excluded from God's love because of their **disability, economic power, ethnicity, gender, gender identity, learning disability, mental health, neurodiversity, or sexuality.** and that we as a church should reflect that all-encompassing love of God in how we welcome and serve each other.

#### **The task**

We hope to reflect this in the breadth of our welcome, in the quality of our worship and music, in our leadership and ministry, in the openness of our service and care for each other and our community, in our commitment to justice and the integrity of creation.

#### **The challenge**

How do we progress a sustainable, inclusive congregational life that offers opportunities to grow in faith through worship, service and study, that welcomes everyone, and encourages the exploration of vocation in leadership and ministry?

## **PRIORITIES**

### **Welcome and ministry**

To continue to affirm and publicise our ethos as an Inclusive Church

To support those who welcome on Sunday mornings and weekdays

To review our communications, particularly our website and social media, and welcome pack

To tend our roots of prayer, worship, wisdom and action to enable us to grow in and share our faith.

To encourage the exploration of vocation and ministry

To continue our commitment to safeguarding and offering support to other parishes

### **Worship and Music**

To establish a choral scholarship programme encouraging young people to participate in the musical life of the church, to continue to support the work of Semiquavers

To explore other possibilities for music, music education and concerts

To review the physical setting of our worship, particularly lighting, seating and AV

To continue our termly events which includes our uniformed organisation, semiquavers and families, while looking for other opportunities to include them in our church life

## **Facilities**

To review and renew our hall facilities

To address the condition of the hall roof

## **Mission**

To maintain our support for projects such as the Foodbank & charities, building relationships with them

To explore how we might build on our work with pre-schoolers and with the elderly

To explore new possibilities for mission – eg active spaces, school links, mental health

To work towards eco-church status

**Adopted by the Parochial Church Council July 2023**