

# Christchurch Mission Statement

Christchurch Methodist Church in Marlborough seeks to serve God and our community, inspired by the life of Jesus, led and empowered by His Holy Spirit.

## Aims and Goals

### Worship

To meet regularly as a worshipping community, to share God's word and uphold others, through prayer, scripture and communion.

### Learning and Caring

To move forward in faith, caring for ourselves and others, through practising hospitality and generosity.

### Service

To be effective neighbours in our community, to challenge injustice, and care for God's world.

### Evangelism

To speak of the love of God, living in a way that draws others to Jesus and sharing our faith with others.

## Objectives

### Worship

- Be a warm and welcoming church, our doors open to all.
- Building on the skills of our congregation, we will underpin everything we do with prayer, and encourage the sharing of testimony in worship.
- Services will be based on scripture with regular communion.
- Post COVID we seek to continue to explore the use of AV and IT to aid accessibility.

### Learning and Caring

- To offer bible study on a regular basis.
- To encourage members to form and join house-groups and to ensure that all members are kept in regular pastoral contact via phone, email, or distributed notices.
- To encourage the full use of our premises and facilities by our community.

## **Service**

- To develop awareness of local community issues and to respond appropriately, endeavouring to work in collaboration with Marlborough Churches Together.
- To achieve EcoChurch status by 2023.

## **Evangelism**

- We will encourage one another as a church to live as witnesses for Christ.
- We will promote our service both live and on-line in the local community.
- Offer assemblies and Open-The-Book to local schools.
- Support the Devotion project for outreach to young people in our community.