

And in the wider community we witness through:

- involvement in **Churches Together in St Ives** including joint activities in Lent and Holy Week, and our presence in the "Church in the Market Place"
- outreach work in **local schools** and with uniformed organisations in our building
- our website which can be accessed world-wide and carries details of all our activities
- our active Facebook page: [St. Ives Free Church URC - Home | Facebook](#)
- regular support for the work of **Christian Aid** and through the URC's **Commitment for Life** scheme
- supporting the well known "Shoe Box" appeal through **Operation Christmas Child**
- playing a key part in supporting our local Foodbank
- our involvement in the town's Eco Faith Action Group



Our Mission Statement

We see it as our mission to promote the Christian Gospel by:

- *providing for personal and public worship*
- *enriching the spiritual and cultural life of the community*
- *providing a welcoming environment for all ages*
- *responding to the needs of individuals and groups, especially the most vulnerable in society*
- *promoting issues of global peace and justice, fair trade and ecology.*

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**The Free Church
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Saint Ives**

**Worship
and
Witness**

**Serving God
Serving
Community**



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Worship...

... *is at the heart of everything that we do.*

Sunday morning worship takes place at 11am, with Holy Communion being held on the first Sunday of each month.

Children are always welcome in worship and we have an activity corner for young children.

Several times a year, usually on the fourth Sunday, café style worship is held which is suitable for all ages and is also dementia-friendly.

Special services are held on major festivals.

Weekly worship Reflections and other resources are available on our website.



Chapel Prayers are held daily (Monday to Saturday) at 10am, when we pray for those in need in our community and beyond.

Tookey's

Tookey's is our café which provides a welcoming environment for customers to enjoy a range of beverages, sandwiches, scones, and much more!

Where possible the goods are fairly traded or locally sourced. On Mondays the larger hall is used and a wider menu is available. Hot meals are also served on Wednesdays and Fridays.

Tookey's is staffed by a large band of volunteer supported by part-time managers and is open Mon - Saturday 9.45am - 2pm (closed Thursdays).



Just Sharing

Just Sharing is the Fair Trade shop in the Free Church. Trading since 1992, it stocks a wonderful selection of Fair Trade goods from around the world. It also has a wide range of cards and small selection of Christian goods.



Just Sharing is run by a small team of part-time staff supported by a loyal team of volunteers.

Current opening hours are:

Monday to Friday 10am - 3pm (closed Thursdays) and Saturday 10am - 3.30pm.

Tookey's and Just Sharing are integral parts of our Christian witness.

Within the church...

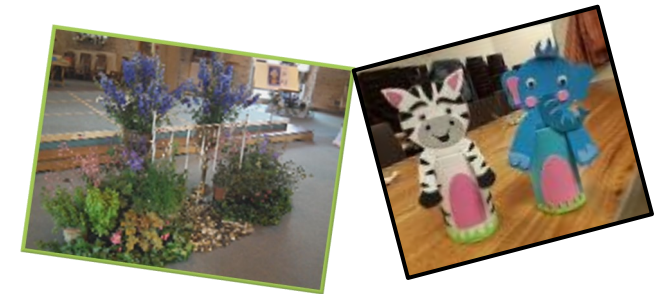
... our witness continues through a range of regular and occasional events.

Tots and Carers is a thriving group which meets on Wednesday mornings in term time (10 - 11.30) in the Hall to enjoy play, chat, crafts and Bible stories.

Discussion groups and study courses are run from time to time: see website and notice boards for details.

Inspire is our monthly magazine which is read by regular church goers and many others who use our building. It lists all our activities.

Occasional **Flower Festivals** are another way in which we highlight aspects of faith.



Further opportunities for fellowship are provided by the Bowls Club, Poetry Group, and other activities organised in parishes.

A wide variety of community groups use our rooms and we also host concerts and other cultural activities.

The Free Church is committed to the safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults.