

# Guidance for leading worship at the Cotteridge Church

The Cotteridge Church was founded in 1984 when local Anglican, Methodist and United Reformed Church congregations united to form one church in one building.

We are now an ecumenical church that values the traditions of each denomination while exploring together a more ecumenical faith. We have a strong commitment to our local community and to social justice.

## Worship

Worship time:	10.30am timing is normally 45 minutes to an hour (several members have buses to catch). We encourage all preachers to arrive at 10:00am.
Music:	We use the Methodist hymn book 'Singing the Faith' and are accompanied on either piano or organ.
Bible:	We tend to use NRSV but are open to other translations
Worship style:	Blended, incorporating liturgical and traditional:  1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday Term time is All Age Worship Holidays is Morning Worship 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday Communion with alcoholic and non-alcoholic wine in small glasses. 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday Morning Worship 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday Communion with non-alcoholic wine in small glasses.
Attendance	30 - 60 people. Mainly adults. Some children occasionally attend and they sit and play with a 'busy bag' provided as they enter, or a selection of toys.
Intercessions	We have a small team that lead during eucharistic services

## Technology

We have a projector, screen and laptop setup and a volunteer runs this and the microphone system from the AV desk.

We ask preachers to bring their own slides with hymns and reading text on.

Our format is

- Worship leader's text is usually white (on a black or blue background) using Arial size 36,
- congregational responses in yellow.
- Readings are also included in full according to the translation chosen.
- We can also show videos with sound.
- Please bring any videos you want to show with you as the wifi isn't reliable.

In Cotteridge normally there are microphones on the lectern and for a lapel. A second lapel microphone, a handheld one and a second static one can be arranged if required.

## Contacts:

Your key contact is the steward: Mike Meadows michaelmeadowsm-meadows@outlook.com

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Please send him a list of your hymns and readings a week before the service. He will pass the information you provide onto our organist and the volunteers due to read that Sunday.