

# SERVING EXPECTATIONS

## Fulfilling our Mission

Our mission is “to know Jesus and make Jesus known.” Remember, therefore, we are serving the Lord together in order that,

*“the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature...”* (Ephesians 4:12-13)

## Serving in Teams

We believe that God has given each one of us unique gifts and abilities to help build up the local church, and that we will grow to maturity as we find our place of service here.

If you respond and offer to serve on one or more team from May, Nancy will put you in touch with your ‘team champion’ who will contact you to confirm the arrangements and provide guidance notes where necessary.

Each term Nancy produces a Sunday services rota indicating who is serving on each service team. Jane and David coordinate the singers and musicians team and arrange regular practices. The Sunday club teams meet about once a month for fellowship and training.

## Consider One Another

Everyone takes holidays or has to be out of town sometimes. If you are unable to serve on a particular Sunday assigned, please arrange to swap with a colleague on the same team and then let the service leader and Nancy know.

Please arrive at least 30 minutes before the service begins to check in with the service leader and other team members. The PA team and musicians are normally needed 45 minutes before.

## The Next Step

Please place your response in the collection plate, give to Nancy in the Church Office or post to Stephen at the Vicarage before 1<sup>st</sup> March.

SIX WEEK

# MEMBERSHIP CHALLENGE

**On Easter Sunday we plan to launch a new Sunday Service Programme with two main morning services at 9:00am and 11:00am.**

By maximising the use of our Church and Centre on Sundays, we believe this will enable us fulfil our mission, reach more people with the good news of Jesus Christ and continue to grow as a Church family.

Both services will be identical in content with a crèche, Sunday Club programme, offer the same music, songs and sermon. The services will also be shorter - 75 minutes max!

Refreshments will be served between the services. Breakfast will be served on the first Sunday between the services and lunch provided for all on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after the second service around 12:00noon.

We will also planning to start a new more formal service at 4:00pm on Sundays. This will include music, refreshments and a variety of liturgy, traditional and contemporary. The 6:30pm service will remain unchanged. We believe that by moving to this pattern we can increase the variety of services as well as provide more opportunity for people to participate.

**From Easter you will therefore have a greater choice of service times, a wider range of service types, get more leg room, a parking space nearer the church and have a greater incentive to invite your family and friends.**

This exciting new adventure will only fly, however, if we have sufficient crew on board before we take off. We are already on the runway but will not start the engines and advertise the change in the community until April and only if we have a full crew on board in March.

Between now and mid-March we need to recruit sufficient members of cover two main morning services from Easter. We therefore invite you to rise to the challenge and help us make this vision a reality.

# SERVING OPPORTUNITIES

Please tick which **times** at which you are willing to serve:

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|--------|--------------------------|---------|--------------------------|--------|--------------------------|--------|--------------------------|
| 9:00am | <input type="checkbox"/> | 11:00am | <input type="checkbox"/> | 4:00pm | <input type="checkbox"/> | 6:30pm | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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Please tick which **ministry** you are willing to serve or would like more information about before deciding:

| Ministry                      | Sign up | More Info |
|-------------------------------|---------|-----------|
| Crèche Helper (0-2)           |         |           |
| Chipmunks Helper (2-3)        |         |           |
| Scrambler Helper (3-4)        |         |           |
| Climber Helper (5-7)          |         |           |
| Lower Explorer Helper (7-9)   |         |           |
| Upper Explorer Helper (10-11) |         |           |
| Pathfinders Helper (11-14)    |         |           |
| Usher Team                    |         |           |
| Welcome Team                  |         |           |
| Read Bible Lesson             |         |           |
| Lead Intercessions            |         |           |
| Singers Team                  |         |           |
| Musicians Team                |         |           |
| Sound Desk Team               |         |           |
| Hospitality Team              |         |           |
| Car Park Team                 |         |           |

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| <b>Name</b>      |  |
| <b>Telephone</b> |  |
| <b>Email</b>     |  |

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# SERVING OPTIONS

Here are the **FOUR** options:

1. **Sign up to serve once or more a month on one or more of our teams.** Training and guidance will be provided. We believe for many people at Christ Church this will be their first step toward a life of Christian service.
2. **Increase your present involvement from casual to committed.** Remember we are serving Jesus. Our desire is to reach those who do not yet know him, to build up those who do, and put the two together. As one astute 12 year old put it, when he heard about the new service and need for more volunteers said, "*Well more people are going to get better at what they do*".
3. **Continue with your present committed involvement** but simply identify which of the services you prefer to serve at, 9:00am or 11:00am (4:00pm or 6:30pm). We hope that many folk will serve at one service, share refreshments and join the congregation for the second morning service. This will be particularly appealing for Sunday Club leaders and helpers who presently miss out Sunday mornings.
4. **Continue with your present level of involvement** but extend it into both services on fewer Sundays - i.e. instead of serving on two or three Sundays a month, consider serving once or twice a month but at both services.