



INSIGHT REPORT



ON

2022



INTRODUCTION FROM THE VICAR

Thank you for reading our Insight Report 2023. We hope to give you an “insight” into all that has been going on at Christ Church over the last year through 2022, and share with you some of the big things coming up for the rest of 2023.

2023 felt very much more like a “normal year” of worship, mission and ministry, following all the disruption and uncertainty from the Covid pandemic through 2020 and 2021. Our new staff team began to take shape (with Worship Pastor Jon, Youth Pastor Matt and Children’s Pastor Hannah all being in their first year in their new roles through the year) and our ministry began to pick up pace and continue rebuilding.

By the end of 2022, we had our new “three service” worship pattern (9am, 10.30am, 6.30pm) fully bedded in and we saw attendance return to pre-pandemic levels. In September, to support the rebuilt worship and pastoral life, we launched Life Groups to replace the Pastorate structure (see Life Groups section), with 11 new groups quickly and two more on the way from Easter 2023. With our Christmas and Easter services seeing much stronger attendances than recent years, there has been a real sense of Christ Church returning to strength.

Two of the big challenges facing us as we continue into 2023 is to progress with the Gateway Project which is now picking up pace, and our hope is to see this project begin and complete over the course of 2024 (see Gateway section). And to strengthen our ministry team with a new Associate Vicar (see Young Adults section)

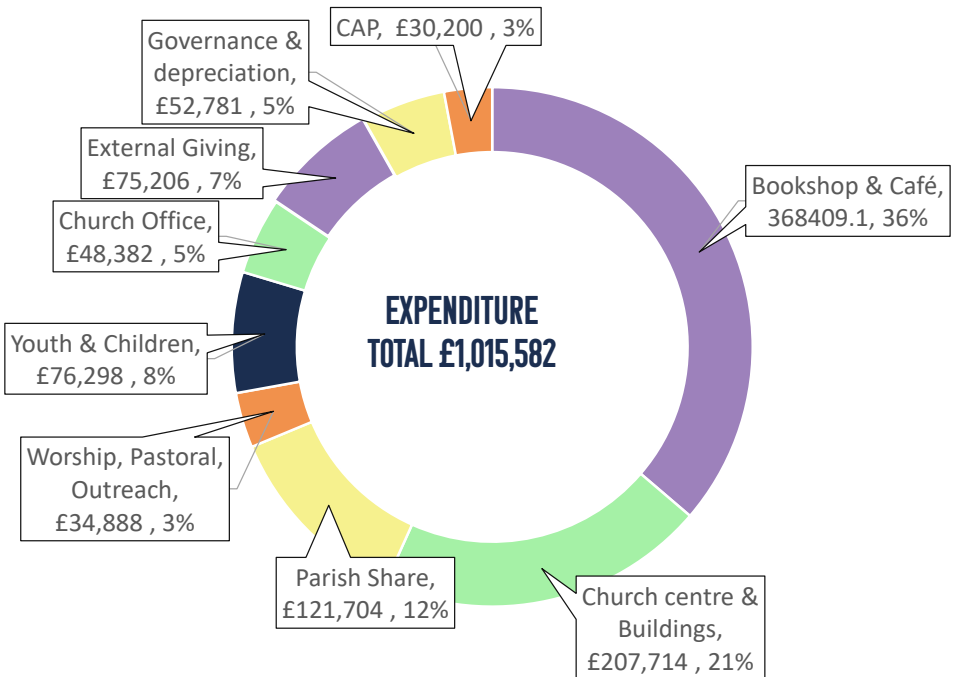
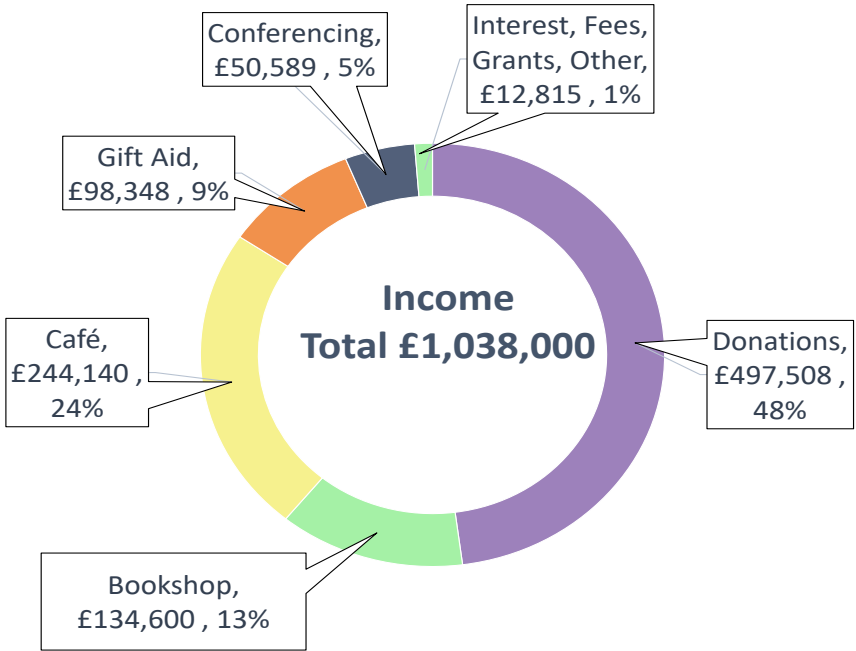
As we look ahead at where God is leading us we can do so with confidence, because as we reflect on 2022 we look back with thankfulness and joy at all God has done amongst us as a community. God is a faithful and providing God, and will always give us “immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine according to his power” (Eph 3.20). So let’s keep our eyes fixed on him and be ready to receive all he has for us.



With love,

Rev. Adrian Beavis
Vicar

HOW DOES CHRIST CHURCH SPEND THEIR MONEY?



DOING CHURCH.....



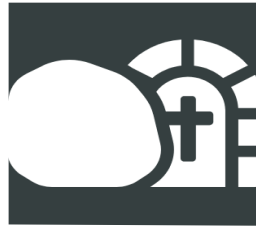
602
people in our
worshipping
community



373
members on the
Electoral Roll



1383
attended our
Christmas
services



326
attended our
Easter services



45 adults + **19** kids
newcomers
welcomed
into the church



190
people met
regularly in
Pastorates



2
people Baptized
into the family of
Christ



47
people grew in
faith through
courses run

DOING CHURCH.....



108

kids meet regularly through our children's ministry



100

families meet regularly at Sunbeams



76

young people meet regularly through our youth ministry



THE SIXTHIRTY

YOUNG ADULTS

It's been a year of change for our SixThirty and Young Adults ministry as Thea Edwards, who pastored both these areas, moved away in September. We are now looking to take on a new Associate Vicar, who will help in the discipleship and pastoral care of the church, with particular focus for young adults. Adrian has taken on temporary oversight of the SixThirty and young adult teams, and it has been great to see them taking initiative on different events (a fireworks night, a Christmas party, a recent board games evening) but its clear this growing and dynamic area of ministry needs dedicated investment and oversight. Do pray for us as we continue the search for the right person and shortlist and interview applicants in May.

WORSHIP

Vertical. We recognise that as people at Christ Church we worship the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Worship means to ascribe ultimate meaning and value, and therefore the command to worship the Lord is fundamental to all we do and offer in ministry at Christ Church. We want to adore and magnify the Lord by beholding His attributes and have a growing passion to know more of His majesty and His mercy.

Biblical. Our go to in terms of how and who we worship is shaped by the Bible's teaching. We base our worship on being worked out from these timeless truths. We want scripture to inform our thinking and yet recognise that theology should always lead us to doxology.


Contemporary. We want the music to be creative, well led, and relevant to the times in which we live. We value the past but are not beholden to it. We want the next generation of musicians and worship leaders to be shaped and given space to be involved in music ministry. We also believe in all ages meeting together as a reflection on being a new community based on the Kingdom of God being family, and see this as witness to the world where there is disunity and fragmentation.

Accessible. We want people to come into the services and hear music they can relate to and enjoy. We want people to encounter the Lord and be encouraged to know more without them feeling isolated or awkward by our assumptions that people understand everything being communicated from the front. Worship is not just a vertical activity, so we recognise the horizontal aspects in serving each other and long to see many more people come to faith. All are welcome and therefore we aim to be clear and helpful in leading services and songs.

During 2022 and into 2023 we have been looking at growing the worship and production teams both in numbers but also in seeking to build around the themes of Unity, Community, and Dependency. We are committed to meeting across the year to spend time in worship and prayer. We value these times so that they can be encouraging and equipping, and we keep remembering that we are more than a rota and more than just being a person who serves a function within church life.

LIFE GROUPS

CONNECT | BELONG | GROW



2022 proved to be a big year in the life of Christ Church Woking Pastorates as they transitioned to the new Life Group format in September. We want to publicly thank Jane Ashdown and Adrian Beavis for their support and encouragement during this transition. This process was born out of a desire to make the group life of Christ Church more diverse, inclusive and centred around doing life together. The reordering of the groups meant that several Pastorate leaders stepped down for a variety of reasons and we want to say a massive thank you to them for their service over many years. Some leaders chose to carry on and we were able to appoint some new leaders.

One of the big drivers behind the relaunch was to have groups of differing sizes and this has been achieved. However, as a result we have gone from 13 groups to 12 but of those 12 a number are smaller. This has meant that at the time of writing we have a waiting list for Life Groups. Our big prayer and focus at the moment is to identify leaders and create new groups with capacity once again for newcomers.

The new Life Groups got off to a good start in September with many of the groups studying a series called “The Spirit is upon me” based on Luke’s gospel. We have given more autonomy to the groups to choose how to structure their meetings and a few groups have chosen to follow other courses or adapt the material for their particular situation.

In summary as we enter 2023 we are as always thankful for those who step forward to lead and are excited for all that God has in store for CCW as we expand and grow our Life Groups.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY - 'FLOURISH'

To flourish means 'to thrive and grow' and as the name suggests, we exist to serve, encourage, inspire and engage with women of every generation, cultural background and walk of life. Our aim is to provide opportunities to deepen and strengthen our faith as followers of Jesus, be part of a church community where we can build friendships, pray and worship together, learn from each other, and make a positive difference to those around us.

Although our zoom meetings during the pandemic were enormously helpful to keep our connections going, we value more than ever the opportunity to meet in person. During the year we have had a number of walks to the Wetlands and Wisley, Saturday morning breakfasts with various inspirational speakers, a memorable Desert Island Discs evening with Jane Ashdown, a fund-raising event for Turning Point (where over £1000 was raised), interviews with a panel in the café, and a Christmas Craft evening to mention but a few.

Going forward, we have some exciting things planned for future meetings and if you haven't yet been along to one of our get togethers, we'd love to extend a warm welcome to you!

MEN'S MINISTRY

We have successfully run a small number of Men's Ministry events this year. Members of the team volunteered to serve the Jubilee Square BBQ for the Jubilee. Our now traditional BBQ and Whiskey tasting event was a great success kindly hosted by the Barnes. A significant number of Men including non-church attendees came along for food and fellowship.

We re-started Men's Breakfast with a talk in person and Jon Tatton led a great discussion on "The Happiness Curve". It was great to see men of all ages connecting across the Church. Our next Breakfast in February will be led by Gordon McFarland on Richard Rohr's Book "Falling Upward".

We would like to run more events for Men across the Church as we feel this is an important ministry in support of good mental health, community and our role as fathers, husbands, brothers and sons. To make this successful we would really appreciate more volunteers and suggestions for how we grow this ministry.



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

2022 has been the year of regathering and growing. Throughout the year families have slowly returned to church, new families have joined the church and we had quite a few new babies born this year.

Hannah took some time over the summer to revision Children's ministry:

'At CCW Kids we equip children to be joy filled world changers, by growing an authentic relationship with Jesus, to know their identity in Him and be Spirit led. We enable this through community, Bible teaching and supporting parents and carers in raising their family in faith.' We want every child to "Continue to grow and increase in God's grace and knowledge of Jesus" 2 Peter 3:18

Because of this new vision Hannah installed a new curriculum for School Years 1-6 called 'Connected'. Which is a Spirit Led, bible based, heart connected curriculum. This has been wonderful to give the children weekly opportunities to meet with the Spirit and chat with Jesus for themselves.

We were able to start back our additional needs group on a fortnightly basis, which supports children & youth who struggle in their own groups. We also restarted Kids Hub which is a group on Wednesday afternoons for School Years 5 & 6. This is an opportunity to connect more with each other and with God.

For the first time Hannah and some other local churches ran a weekend away for Years 5 & 6. We went to Dalesdown Christian Centre which has lots of fun activities. This was a wonderful success of sharing the gospel with some children but also enabling faith to grow and mature in other children.

We were also welcomed back into Maybury School to run a craft club on Monday Afternoon. We have about 14 children each term that we make crafts with, have fun, and show them that the local church cares for them. We have also been on school trips with them and encouraged the staff with prayers and gifts.

We welcomed Rebecca Connolly as Youth Intern & Children's Ministry Assistant in September. She is learning from and supporting Hannah in many ways for 1 year.

Sunbeams Toddler group has continued to thrive and welcome in many families and carers each week.

We are looking forward to 2023 where we hope to return to Dalesdown with Years 5 & 6, run a parenting course, and continue to see the families and children thrive in their faith.



C4 YOUTH MINISTRY

The year 2022 was the start of C4 and it was filled with many blessings!! First, we had the youth weekend away where the young people were able to experience an array of activities, games and most importantly time with God. Our theme was joy for that weekend, and I certainly believe it was achieved. Youth were able to have loads of laughs and were able to enjoy an experience of togetherness and belonging which perhaps they may not have experienced since pre-lockdown. Between then and summer socials, such as Go Karting, Thorpe Park, and Nando's which finished off the academic year nicely, before then taking a group of youth to New Wine! New Wine was fantastic, where many youth experienced God's presence and became inquisitive about Holy Spirit and how good Jesus really is! So much so that some gave their lives to Him. Since New Wine, we have also gone to a Soul Survivor Night where youth were able to experience God and hear some awesome teaching – before finally finishing the year off with a Fireworks and Firepit night and a fun Christmas Party! Many events took place throughout the year, and I pray it will help youth to see that C4's mission of Christ Church Calling Conquerors can be one of hope, joy, belonging and victory!!

Throughout the year, we have continually had the C4 Sundays Mornings, which are now known as 'Fuse', where the younger youth (Yr.7-9) explore the character of God through many different games, tasks, prayer and reflections. In addition, since September we have started doing weekly Sunday Evenings which are called 'Ignite', where youth in Year 10 and above come along to have milkshakes, snacks, teaching and prayer before then going to join the SixThirty service. In these sessions we get to practice faith and talk about the things that perhaps are stumbling blocks with faith as well as emphasising the blessings Father God is doing for them all.

Once again, I want to thank the youth team who in their efforts create a brilliant atmosphere where they shine fun, gentleness, kindness...and perhaps a smidge of patience as well! Likewise, they have continually shown their desire to disciple and help assist the young people in their journeys of knowing Christ. As a whole team, we are praying that God continues to move young people's hearts so that they can know Him as Lord and Saviour.



SAFEGUARDING

CCW takes the safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults very seriously. Every year our PCC adopt the House of Bishops' Safeguarding Policy Statement, and this is displayed in the church entrances with contact details that anyone can use.

The Church of England continues to review its policies and procedures as it learns from historic cases and reviews incidents of concern. Training for church leaders focuses on culture within the church to ensure safety. Our senior team at Christ Church have all attended this training.

The Diocese have implemented a dashboard where each parish has to show progress on compliance with policies, procedures, safer recruitment and training. There are 3 levels. CCW is now at the highest level - level 3. Our progress is monitored by the Diocese and our own PCC.

Our church safeguarding team monitors the recruitment and training of our 100 plus church volunteers across all our activities to ensure that training, DBSs and references are completed.

All reported concerns are escalated to the Diocesan safeguarding advisor for action or advice.



Vulnerable Adults'
Safeguarding Officer

Sarah Goddard



Childrens'
Safeguarding Officer

Rachel Allen



See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? There is a fresh wind of the Holy Spirit. We entered 2022 with the fresh enthusiasm and optimism that the constraints of the previous two years were firmly behind us. We continued our refurbishment of the café to make it more contemporary and visible by replacing the outside tables, adding umbrellas, new planters and hanging boxes. With new signage, several people thought we had changed hands!

We continue to be grateful and amazed by how the business has grown and developed. We have established ourselves in Woking as a café with a reputation for its good quality food, and customer service. Towards the end of the year, despite a cost-of-living crisis, we were regularly breaking weekly and monthly targets and once again it is rewarding to end the year with a surplus.

The Café has always been more than just a place for good food and coffee. It is a strategic part of the welcome and witness of the church. It is heartening to hear customers say what a warm welcome they receive. Many we know by name, know what they will order and have built a good relationship with. It is therefore no surprise in their time of need they turn to us for support. For one customer this year that turned into a warm hug, a cuppa and time to talk after her husband suffered a dreadful accident. We were there at that moment to be the hands and feet of Jesus to come alongside those who weep and bring them comfort. There are numerous other moments we could report, both joyful and sad.

Again, this year the Café team have had to show resilience and courage as they have had to contend with some extreme circumstances. With grace, we have endured and continue to support and care for each other. We have laughed and cried together, welcomed new staff and said farewell to others. We rejoiced together during the late Queen's Diamond Jubilee celebrations by hosting events which were a new experience for us and mourned her passing.

Looking forward to 2023 our goal is to consolidate the business, to navigate well the changes which will inevitably occur and to continue to serve God and his people through our gifts and talents as hospitality workers. We thank you for your continued support and prayers.



CONFERENCING

Bookings continued to increase through the first half of 2022, we did recruit a new Conferencing Administrator as planned. We took on Shane Lee as our new Conferencing Administrator in May of 2022. After this we continued to see growth in conferencing through the second half of 2022, with more old clients returning after covid and through many new clients. However, conferencing is still feeling the effects of covid. Our revenue is increasing steadily with time. We are expecting to recruit another conferencing host later in the year to adhere to demand. Having hosted many business events and events in the community. Conferencing consistently receives positive feedback and repeat bookings from high profile hirers such as the NHS and Surrey County Council.

Conferencing is a large part of our revenue and will continue to grow through 2023 and into 2024. We have also seen that Conferencing is a great way to introduce people to our church that we would not usually reach with hirers often asking about Church events. This is something Shane is passionate about and he hopes to use conferencing as not only a source of revenue, but also a welcome.



BOOKSHOP

In 2022 the Lord continued to bring in the lost and lonely from all walks. The diversity in people asking for prayer was most impressive from Hindus, Muslims, Agnostics, New agers and those with no grid for spirituality. To those who found themselves on the edge of society and those who had reached rock bottom on the verge of suicide. The beauty of the bookshop is that people experience something and although hard to verbalize, feel the tangible presence of God. One of the most exciting things to see is when people ask if they can go into the church to 'light a candle,' and then are told we can pray for them right there and then, often completely 'unchurched', not knowing what to expect but experience God for the first time. The opportunities to grow and develop the prayer ministry within the shop is very exciting, especially as we approach 'Gateway'.

COURSES

We ran Alpha in the Autumn term, it was great to be able to gather in person in the Cafe space.

There was a good number of attendees on the course and there have been some encouraging testimonies too; of people coming back to Jesus after drifting away and others discovering what it means to have a relationship with Jesus. The Holy Spirit was at work in our conversations about faith and prayer time at the away day too.



Hope in Depression course, led by Jane Ashdown, was run again at the beginning of 2022 and continue to see a good number of people attend. The course explores causes and symptoms of anxiety and depression, learning about brain chemistry and medication, hearing about counselling and talking therapies and different aides to help with mental and overall wellbeing. Our team of facilitators help lead small group discussions around the topics, which people always find hugely encouraging and beneficial in being able to open up and share their struggles in a safe environment.

It has been great to connect people into other things at church like our coffee and catch up, warm welcome space, and connecting into our community.

Many of us have issues in our lives that hold us back from living in freedom and confidence. The Kintsugi Hope course, overseen by Hilary Roberts, offers a safe and supportive place to talk through topics such as anxiety, disappointment and loss, perfectionism and healthy relationships.

In the past year we have run 4 courses, including a short version at the Lighthouse and a student version of the course that Guido Braschi is piloting among International Students at Surrey University. We currently have 3 trained facilitators and would love to have more opportunities to run the course in the community as a way of reaching out and building connections. The course works well in any setting as the content is very flexible.

In the summer we ran a new 6 week discipleship course, looking at discovering more of our identity in Christ, discovering more of our unique original design, and how to use the gifts God has given us in his service.

The initial course was attended by 18 guests, and it has been great to see many of those now step into areas of church leadership and service with greater confidence.



The ID: course

Going Intentionally Deeper with God

COMMUNITY OUTREACH



CAP clients, as well as many others living in Woking have been impacted by the cost-of-living crisis. So, we have opened a Warm Welcome Space on Wednesday afternoon. It is somewhere we can welcome CAP clients and anyone in the local community. Although initially conceived just to provide a place for people to come so they don't have to heat their home all day, we recognise through chatting to those who do come, that they are mostly seeking company. The number of new CAP Debt clients is still lower than pre-pandemic, but we have a large number of former clients who are struggling with many aspects of life and new clients who often have complex needs. The Warm Welcome Space gives us a place to invite anyone for a friendly welcome, advice, board games, help with paperwork or IT, and free refreshments. In partnership with the Surrey County Council Warm Hubs initiative, we are able to distribute electric blankets and other 'cheap heat' solutions. We have someone training as a home energy advisor and we will soon be able to issue Fuel Vouchers. Our hub has a regular volunteer pool of about 15 people, and we are planning to keep our space open all year round and adapt it according to what those attending tell us they need.



“Saturday Night’s Alright For Fighting...” sang Elton John. Well, there may not be many fights but teams of Woking Street Angels head out onto the streets of our town centre on a Saturday night (and Friday too!) with the express intention of making it alright by helping those who find themselves in trouble. That “trouble” can be found in many forms, from the type you would expect i.e., alcohol induced, to simply painful feet after a night on ridiculous heels.

Some of the Angels are part of our church family here at Christ Church. We are trained volunteers who, for the past eleven years, have walked the streets of Woking town centre every Friday and Saturday night. We offer help or merely a listening ear whenever needed. Typically, we help those who are drunk, lonely, sick, vulnerable, troubled or sleeping rough and work with Police, door staff, CCTV, Council and medical services. Street Angels help night-time visitors have a safe experience in the town.

So, when you tuck yourself in on a weekend night please remember to think and pray for us. Of course, you would be more than welcome to consider joining us. It is a satisfying experience and feels less tiring that it sounds!

Please see Chris Tait or email wokingstreetangels@gmail.com.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH



Last year saw Woking Besom, as the world was, getting back to the new “normal”! If you are not aware what Besom does – here is a brief description.

We are a Christian Charity, with members from many Woking Churches - our priority is to provide a mechanism for Christians to GIVE..... of their time, their household goods, their skills and their money! There are now 25+ Besoms around the country – we are each autonomous but there are national guidelines, support and shared good practice.

Recipients are referred to us by outside agencies e.g., Social Workers, CAB, Housing Officers, Schools Liaison Officers. We assess the individual or family for their needs (in terms of furniture, household goods or possible decorating or garden project) and try to fulfil them as quickly as possible! God is sooo good that we might be asked for perhaps a cream leather sofa – and guess what? That is just what we have collected or that is the offer in the next email that we open!! Besom is underpinned by prayer: whatever we do not have that is on a recipient’s wish list we pray for; we pray earnestly for Timegivers to join us in the Shed, on the van and for offering to do projects, for financial support and for wisdom as to how best to manage the resources we have. We would love to welcome you to join our merry band of ageing Timegivers – please think about it!
Just come and join us for a morning or day.

The amazing continued financial provision from Woking Churches and individuals has allowed us to purchase many new items in 2022:
5 Cookers, 6 Fridge Freezers, 3 Washing Machines, 1 Washer-Drier,
4 Tumble Driers, 2 sets of Bunks, 2 Vacuum Cleaners, 4 Microwaves,
4 Curtain Poles and carpets for a flat.

We have a great collaboration with Men’s Shed: if we are offered items that may need a little tweak to get them up to Besom standard e.g., a table top in need of sanding and polishing, a storage unit in need of upcycling/painting, a chair leg needing to be mended: we deliver to Men’s Shed one week and collect refreshed/mended/renewed the next!
It’s brilliant!

There were 15 Project referrals in 2022: we were able to complete 9 of those.... 5 garden clearances, 1 decorating project, 1 carpet laying (of pre used/donated carpet), 2 de-clutters! The others are still pending, or the recipient has found others to help. We have also had new projects referred this year – so we need HELP please?! Perhaps your Life Group could take on a project for a few hours/a day?

Do get in touch for more details – wokingbesom@gmail.com
Thank You Christ Church for your ongoing support.

HEALING

on the streets

It has been of great encouragement and a privilege for the Woking Healing team to see numbers of people coming for prayer increase over the last year. We average between 15-20 people a session and there is a real diversity of requests for prayer – we have seen physical healing and people with anxiety and low mood have felt the peace and presence of God. We have prayed for encouragement for people with changing life situations, various family needs and petitions for suffering around the world. The exciting thing is, no matter how small or big the prayer request we always see the Lord at work in people's lives (sometimes in other ways than expected!), and there is opportunity to invite people to connect in with local churches.

We had a whole team Vision Day recently which was a great time to gather and pray for where God is leading us next. We had a sense that we need to be bold, praying for boldness in our interactions with people we meet on the streets. We are initiating 'Come & See' invitations, a chance for people in your church to come and see what we do so that they would be inspired, have a 'faith lift' and be emboldened to be a witness / pray for people in their everyday life.

We meet on the first Saturday of every month to pray with people outside CCW Bookshop and on the third week in Knaphill. We would love to see our teams grow and have a sense that God will be bringing new people. If you would like to come and see what we do you are welcome to join a session and then if you are interested in joining full training is given.

Please contact info@wokinghealing.org for more information.



GLOBAL MISSION

Team Members: Adrian Beavis, Jo Frank, Margaret Mayne, Pete Hall

The Go Team at Christ Church co-ordinates all external giving from Christchurch to our partners in Woking (such as Engage, who work in local schools) and around the world (such as the Mort family working on bible translation in Nigeria).

A percentage (~5%) of all the unallocated giving budgeted for the year is set aside as a First Fruits Fund, which we use to support individuals working in mission using regular standing orders. Although this budget was slightly lower than in 2021, due to requests from some individuals to taper down their support we were able to provide an 8% increase to other regular recipients. This was particularly helpful to people such as Jo and Ollie Davis working in Spain with students, where they were feeling the effects of the increased cost of living. In February 2022 there was our annual Isaiah Fund gift day where the congregation are invited to contribute directly to giving to our external partners. In previous years we had plate collections at each service, but these were in gradual decline even before COVID, and the new 'tap and go' card machine can get ignored at the back of church. We had set a budget of £30k for the Isaiah Fund, but once again the generosity of Christ Church was astounding, and we received over £40k! It was a joyful privilege to be able to make a similar level of grants in 2022 as we had done in 2021, which we had thought was an exceptional year. We were also able to make additional payments to our regular recipients and additional payments to Turning Point who experienced significant increased costs in 2022. As the contributions to the Isaiah fund came in over the year, we were also able to increase the grant to our Woking CAP centre, who have experienced a reduction in their regular income from individual donors.

Thanks so much to Mark and the team for preparing the figures, processing the transfers and enabling us to have the privilege of resourcing God's Kingdom outside Christ Church, both in Woking and around the world. Thanks also to Jo Frank, who stepped down as the hard-working secretary of the Go Team at the end of 2022 and to Phil Jackson, Linda Braschi and Sue Smith who have stepped up to join the team for 2023.

GATEWAY BUILDING PROJECT

Mission building

Renewing our buildings to fulfil our vision,
to be fit for purpose, our location and the next generation.

We want to enhance our ability to:

- **Welcome** people in to **Worship**
- **Witness** to our town community of **Woking**
- Reach out to the **World** on our doorstep

Our aims

COMMUNITY

- Dedicated space for community work
- Young people, lonely, socially disadvantaged and more
- Meals, community access through the week

STEWARDSHIP

- Update the whole church building: heating, lighting, kitchen, toilets...
- Step towards reducing our carbon footprint
- Fit for purpose in 21st century and the next generation

SPACE

- More space for Sunday children's and youth work
- Flexible space for mid-week activities

ACCESS

- More accessible welcome for visitors
- Clearer entrances, more visible to the public

Our story of faith—a church actively serving the needs of a growing town:

- Christ Church was founded in response to the town growing around the station and was consecrated as a parish in 1893.
- It was re-configured in 1990, through congregation giving, to become the "Church in the Centre".
- Now, Woking is changing and growing again, and we need to respond again.

GATEWAY BUILDING PROJECT

What will it cost?

- £4.99m – enables the whole of Phase 1. Phase 2, in the future, would cost £1.33m.
- £4.5m – enables all the internal reordering, new entrance, new rooms and offices, but no rear extension.
- £3m – enables the basic upgrade of the church systems, new toilets, kitchen, entrance and redecorating, but no extra room space and no new offices.
- We are aiming to raise £2.5m on our first Gift and Pledge Day in April. Alongside other money already given and likely grant/loan funds, we should be able to get permission to begin the £4.5m project, trusting God that the rest will come in as we progress.

When will it be ready?

- The building work will take 10 to 12 months, earliest possible start date in mid 2024.
- We are looking at options for staying open as long as possible, but may have to move out for 6 months.
- The aim is for the project to have minimal disruption possible for church staff and ongoing ministry.

What's next?

Build the vision

Huge thanks to those who have given funds and time to get us this far. Now is the time to invest in our building for the next generation. Without significant investment and updating the building will begin to deteriorate.

Doing nothing is not an option, so now is the time to act!

What can you do?

PRAY... that we depend on God's abundance for all we need.

GIVE... we can only complete Gateway with your generosity

HELP... if you want to help make Gateway happen get in touch



