Who leads the church?

We currently have 5 trustees who are responsible for overseeing what happens in church. Please feel free to speak to any of them if you have an idea or problem. Whilst they have areas of oversight, please feel free to talk to any of them.



Heather Alblas Role: 'Administration' and 'Pastoral' (Booking speakers, finances, DCF)

Colin Evans Roles: 'Pastoral' and 'Worship & Spiritual Direction' (Leading worship & Bible Study)

Ronke Hanson Roles: 'Administration' and 'Youth Work' (Finances, lifts and stewarding)

Dave Marshall Roles: 'Administration' and 'Worship & Spiritual Direction' (Finances, bookings, publicity)

Tim Marshall Roles: 'Maintenance' and 'Youth Work'



Welcome Pack

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We hope that this little booklet will explain a bit about who we are, what we believe in and what goes on at the Church.

If you have any questions please ask one of the trustees or the person who gave you this.

Who are we?

We are an independent (non-denominational) Church that was set up in 1926. We aim to serve God and the people of Laindon by Knowing God, Showing God and Making God Known.

What do we believe?

We believe in the authority of the Bible in all matters regarding our faith. We believe in the Trinity of God, Jesus and the Holy Spirit. We believe that we have all fallen short of God's standards for our lives and need to be saved through acknowledging the death and resurrection of Jesus, who will return again to judge both the living and the dead. For more details see the "What do we believe?" webpage.

What do we do?

Sunday Services

We have two services on Sunday, one at 10am and another at 6.30pm. Each will last about an hour.

On the last Sunday of the month we will have a 4.30pm Youth Service instead of the evening service which will be based around the idea of messy church with crafts and videos. We do not take an offering, but if you would like to give there is a box at the back of the Church.

What can my children do in the service?

At the morning service (providing it isn't a family or parade service on the second Sunday of the month) we have a Sunday School which any children from 3-14 are welcome to attend. The children will leave the main service after about 20 minutes and go to the back hall. They will come back at the end of the service.

If you wish there is a room at the back with a speaker where you can take small children and still hear the service.

If you need baby changing facilities these are next to the toilets to the front right of the church.

<u>Communion</u>

We invite all those who have accepted Jesus as their Saviour to share in our communion service with us. We celebrate communion in the 4th morning service of the month.

<u>Baptism</u>

We believe in a believers baptism for those who have made a conscious choice to accept Jesus' death and resurrection. We offer infant dedication rather than christening where we will pray and support the child to grow up as a Christian.

Home groups & Bible Study

We would encourage all those who attend the church to try and belong to a home group. In the home groups we study the Bible and pray and support each other. We currently have two groups that meet on Tuesdays. If you would like more information please speak to Colin

Mid week meetings

We have a coffee morning on Mondays from 10am-noon which anyone is welcome to drop into and have a chat. Children are welcome and a selection of toys are available. We also Mid Week Fellowship on Wednesdays from 1.30-3pm. Here we share a passage and sing some hymns and anyone is welcome. Youth Work

On Monday evenings (8-9pm) in the car park we have a Essex Youth Bus which serves as a mobile youth centre for local young people to drop in to. On Thursday evenings (8-9pm) in the church we run a youth group called Xplore where there are crafts and a short talk about the Bible. Both of these are for young people between 11 and 18.

<u>Guide Movement</u>

There are also a variety of rainbows, brownies, guides and ranger groups that meet in the church during the week.

Disabled Christians Fellowship

On the second Saturday of the month starting at 3pm we run Disabled Christians Fellowship. This is where both disabled and able bodied Christians can meet and listen to a message and share in a simple meal.

<u>Prayer</u>

If you have something that you would like to pray about either speak to a trustee or if you would like more people to pray for it then contact the prayer chain on 07722 304917. The prayer chain will then text some members of the church who will pray for you in confidence.