

Map Update-November 2023

Map Team- Rev'd Peter, Rev'd Brown, David Harding, Cynthia Harding, Shea Hollis (MAP Coordinator)

Key Priority: <i>Community Outreach/Hub</i>		Coordinator: <i>Shea Hollis</i>
Action Area	Detail	
Foodbank	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lewisham Foodbank have now moved into the Hall using it as their warehouse, distribution hub and offices, calling it the New Hope Centre. The move seems to have been well received by the community and messages of support are continuing to come since we shared Rev'd Peter's announcement. Church volunteers at Foodbank and involvement in the community signposting sessions are sharing activities and services at church as well as pastoral support/ prayer and directing to clergy where necessary. There is room for further church involvement through volunteering opportunities at the new warehouse for those unable to commit to the Wednesday sessions. 	
Tackling Social Isolation- clubs and activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> New timetable/ leaflet/ poster of regular activities once all groups are in the church post hall move- can we prepare this now? Lewisham Local have approached us about advertising/ listing our groups like Senior Social Club etc. 	
School Connections	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continuing with school assemblies in school and school, services in church- Christingle and KS2 Carol Service booked for December. Foundation governors actively involved in school life- four attended Inset Day session in September for Safeguarding Training and a session on the school Values education. Faith Group have worked on the school Values to streamline and modernise these. Possibility of church volunteer readers. Continue having Childrens Church activity stall at school fair (15th December) and church attendance at other events like Quiz Night (at least 2 church teams so far for quiz on 17th November with members also represented on other teams) Explore opportunities like this at other schools in the parish. SJB school visit to Senior Social Club- joint Christmas event? 	
Community Events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As with school events, explore possibilities of having children's church stall at community fairs and similar events. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Banner proposed advertising Christmas services. Community Carol Service on 17th December, MP etc invited. • Attend local occasions like openings and commemorative events- Rev'd Peter involved in ecumenical Remembrance Service on 10th Nov etc.
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Key Priority: <i>Grow number of Children & Young People</i>		Coordinator: <i>Cynthia Harding</i>
Action Area	Detail	
CYP Paid Worker	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not currently an option for us financially. Previous potential volunteer Youth leader is now not able to continue. • Cynthia and David attended 'Greenhouse' Youth work training session with inspiration and ideas for social project based youth work. 	
Speak to young people about what they want	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sessions were held with youth before the summer- David to update. 	
New Expressions- Forest Church	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This is done by Rev Nick through St Marks/ St Lukes, better to link up more fully than repeat. 	
Intergenerational/ all age worship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cynthia/ Rev'd Peter to feedback on 4th Sunday/ Feast Days all age worship. • Café Church- see more in Sharing The Gospel section below. • Two new youth servers Jaimie and Daniel O, so total now three with Daniel. Luke continues to read and do intersessions. Quinn continues in the choir and refreshments. Can young people/ children be encouraged get involved in these and other ways, especially areas we are lacking volunteers- sidespeople, refreshments etc? 	
School Connections	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See above under Community Outreach 	
Choir Church	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No new updates 	

Key Priority: <i>Sharing the Gospel</i>		Coordinator: <i>David Harding</i>
Action Area	Detail	
Intergenerational- all age worship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See detail above • Café church format- see below 	
Different format of worship, contemporary music- St Johns @4 style	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Café Church has begun, with sessions in Sept and October. It has had 15 and 18 attendees (including team/ volunteers) of a range of ages so far and we are confident it will continue to grow with consistent sessions and further, increased publicity. • Relaxed format to appeal to all. 'Stations'- coffee area, prayer, craft/ activity, 'gathering'. It has been well received and we have had much positive feedback • Lay-led. Guest speakers/ discussion rather than sermons/ preaching. Can link with community groups. Perhaps Youth can be involved in running it, going forward. 	
Guest Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See above 	
Kerb appeal- smarten up the grounds. Noticeboards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Payback Scheme impact • Noticeboards and banners being looked into (can we have a portable banner to use for external events too?)- ongoing! 	
Welcoming Church- Everybody welcome	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See above under Community Outreach • Café Church • Vulnerable Users policy- Cynthia working on this • Refreshments after church (being discussed at DCC) • Foodbank 	
Signage and Publicity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advertising, leaflets and social media- new leaflets planned (see above) • Signage- see above • Inviting people to church 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Door to door visits- the team felt this did not fit well with the vision.
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