

## So, how do we put these ideas into action?

We have a plan of initiatives that we'd like to achieve in the long and short term. These ideas are underpinned by our three pillars – **Walking in faith together, Welcoming strangers and friends and Working for our community.** They are designed to ensure that we are a growing church with a strong faith base which is both engaged with, and working for the local community and include...

### Communicating to our community

So we can fully engage with the congregation and welcome newcomers in a meaningful and engaging way, we will be exploring social media and assessing our website.

### Notice boards and Welcome area

We have already had some great ideas to improve these but would really welcome volunteers to help us put these ideas into action.

### The Hall upgrade

A committee has been formed and work to improve the back of the Church hall is under way. A fundraising strategy will be necessary to help pay for some of the work required.

### Getting to know the congregation

A questionnaire to get a better understanding of where people's talents and time lies and find out if they can offer those skills (however small) to Christ Church to help enrich our community.

### Outreach

We are in the process of finding accommodation so we can sponsor a Syrian Family through the Community Sponsorship Scheme.

### Music

We will be looking at ways of offering more variety in our musical repertoire.

**Smaller steering groups will be working on these initiatives.**

**If you would like to be part of any of this work volunteers are very welcome!**

**There will be lists at the back of church.**



## Sharing God's Love

*'We're not called by  
God to do extraordinary  
things, but to do  
ordinary things with  
extraordinary love.'*

JEAN VANIER

## OUR NEW VISION

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# *‘Let all that you do be done in love’*

COR 16:14

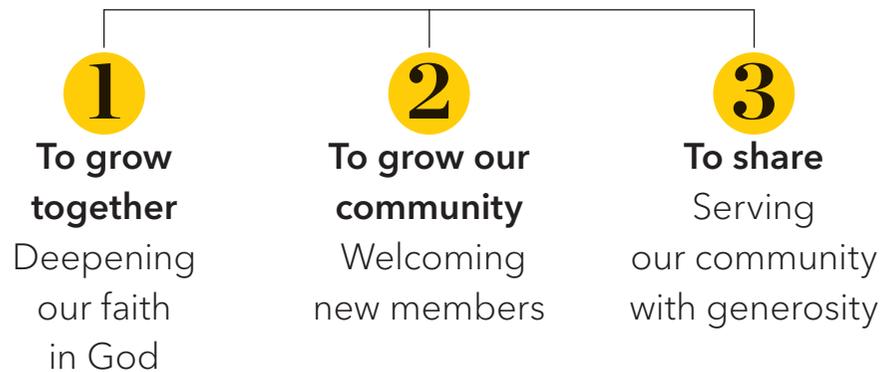
## Why a new vision?

Every five years Christ Church creates a Mission Action Plan, or MAP – a path to follow that will enhance and support our discipleship. Everything that we do in church, from the way we worship to the work that we do in the wider community, is underpinned by this mission statement.

It has been five years since we last looked at our path of intent, so last September members of the congregation were invited to the Parish Awayday to brainstorm ideas for the next five years. Following this, a small steering group was formed to distill the ideas we’d discussed and create a mission statement to communicate and support our new vision.

## Our objectives

Each of these objectives were the pillars supporting all our ideas



Above is a logo illustrating our vision. The overarching message is **Sharing God's Love**. This forms the cornerstone of everything we do in church and how we live our lives as Christians.

This message is supported by three pillars that describe our journey together exploring our faith and the work that we do, both at Christ Church and in the wider community...

**Walking in faith together**  
**Welcoming strangers and friends**  
**Working for our community**

The visuals we've used in the logo support these messages. The radiating rays convey the concept that we are an outward looking church, reaching out to and welcoming in our wider community. The use of yellow communicates energy, positivity and warmth. The logo is designed to be flexible – for example it can be used in its entirety on a banner or it can be used with just its tag line on the pew sheet.