

PAROCHIAL CHURCH
COUNCIL OF
BUCKSHAW VILLAGE CHURCH

Charity number: not currently required to register

TRUSTEE'S ANNUAL REPORT AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31 DECEMBER 2020

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Excepted Charity Name:

The Parochial Church Council of Buckshaw Village Church

Incumbent: Rev.James Gwyn-Thomas

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NB: The Buckshaw Village Church bank account is a subsidiary account within the St Andrews bank account. Therefore, the following accounts were audited as part of the St Andrew's account with BVC's accounts being extracted from these.

WHAT'S THIS REPORT ALL ABOUT?

Welcome to the third annual report of the Parochial Church Council (PCC) of Buckshaw Village Church (BVC).

The annual report is a chance for PCC to provide you with an overview of all the things that have been going on in the last year. However, as you will no doubt remember, our last APCM took place on 22nd October 2020.

There is still plenty to share, celebrate and thank God for over the last five months but we do want to take this opportunity to recognise the past few months and beyond have been incredibly tough for so many. Whilst we stand here together and celebrate all the wonderful things that God has done, we also acknowledge the trauma and anxiety that many have (and are still) experienced.

BRIEF SUMMARY:

We really want to bring forward and highlight God's goodness and provision to us, in this report, so let's jump straight into the good news with a summary from Rev James Gwyn-Thomas:

This has been the hardest year BVC has ever had to endure. The closure of the community centre, the reduction of fellowship and the prevention of corporate worship. You'd be forgiven for assuming church was wounded.

However, I've always thought that the Church was like a mushroom...In the Strawberry Mountains of eastern Oregon, there is the largest fungal colony in the world, spanning an area of 3.5 square miles. This organism is estimated to be some 8,000 years old. and may weigh as much as 35,000 tons. Its strength lies in the fact the roots are bound together, and when someone attempts to destroy a patch of this humongous fungus, it releases millions of spores into the air so that it can start new patches.

This has happened to the Church all over the World. Our roots are bound not to buildings that can be closed but to Jesus who is omnipresent and eternal. Our buildings have been closed but technology has enabled every home to be a place of worship.

At a time when we might have expected a temporary reduction in God's Kingdom, we have found growth. Despite constant fluctuating between being able to meet and being forced to worship through screens, God has been working. Let us not lament the few things we have lost, for they will return. Let us instead take this opportunity to celebrate the new growth!

One thing to note...You will find the financial accounts and summary stretching the full financial year of 2020. However the ministry update is only from the time of the 2020 APCM, when we had our last ministry update. This is quite intentional and simply because there is no point in repeating ourselves! I hope you will still see that there is much to celebrate, even in this short time.

Ministry update

Since our last APCM:

Life in church:

- A brand new service has been created! The 9:15 All-Age. It is a fantastic format, full of clear teaching, joy, heartfelt worship and prayer. A massive thank you to Rachel and Tim for their vision and energy in this.
- We have taught our way through the book of James, dwelt on a series about the Holy Spirit, looked at the themes of Advent through the Characters of the nativity story and swam deeply in the book of John.
- BVC has taken a step further into the 21st Century and created their own YouTube channel!

Children and Young People News:

- Soul Children has been going from strength to strength. It has continued to meet on line but even managed to meet physically once before the most recent lock down. The worship from Soul Children has permeated into the worship life of the church and our ministry with local schools. It is a wonderful ministry introducing young people to heartfelt worship.
- After the great success of our Zoom Youth Alpha, Rachel and the team went on to take the group through an Advent series. Again, the group continued with such strength that it has continued into 2021 and we still have a youth group studying the bible together every Sunday night!

Work in the community:

- BVC has continued its partnership with Chorley Foodbank and continues to be the transport between two of the major local supermarkets (Buckshaw Tesco and Asda) and the Foodbank. After celebrating Harvest Festival in October 2020 we were able to take several trolley loads over to the Chorley centre.
- Started a 6 week 'Wellness and Recovery workshop' in partnership with LSCFT (Lancashire & South Cumbria NHS Foundation Trust). This was attended by several church family members plus many of the All of Us group. It has also been a gateway for some members to go on and join the BVC family.
- Our special relationship with Trinity School has continued. We have sent in numerous recorded worship videos, been involved in live Zoom Q&A about what it means to be 'called by God' and, when possible, been in physically to support and pray with the staff.
- BVC hosted the Advent Window Trail around the village. 24 houses decorated their windows with various scenes from the nativity story. Several families with no link to church at all became involved too.
- We have instigated and facilitated a community wide 'Covid Recovery Forum'. This involves various individuals, charities, groups and businesses across Buckshaw with the intention of highlighting some known challenges thrown up by Covid and hope to be able to present strategies and practical support for those in need going forward.

Special events:

- We did our best to create a meaningful, on-line Remembrance service. The Archdeacon came to preach for us and we created a moving video involving several community group representatives laying a wreath at the soldier at the community centre.
- We participated in praying for the nation everyday in November at 6pm
- All churches in the diocese were encouraged to collect for the 'Call to Pray, Call to Give' scheme. BVC raised a total of £4,730 and the PCC agreed to 'gift' it to the diocese at this difficult time.
- We celebrated Christmas in BVC style even with heavy restrictions:
 - The Makaton Signing Group held a Zoom Christmas service
 - We still had Christmas Jumper Sunday!
 - Create your own carol service
 - Doorstep carols
 - Joint on-line carol service with Euxton
 - Two Christmas Eve services back-to-back. We managed to meet and even have a band!
 - We partook in a digital ecumenical service for the Retirement Village
 - It is fitting that our final service when we could be physically together was Christmas Day. We had a joyful celebration and we continue to be thankful for Jesus Immanuel - God with us.

Groups:

- Most Growth Groups have managed to continue to meet, albeit with restrictions. A huge thank you to all those who have continued to invest in these groups and particularly to those who have put time and effort into leading them.
- A new growth group has started. A Sunday night group that spends time laughing, dwelling on the input of the Lectio 365 App and thinking further about the subject of the sermon that day.
- Stronger Together (our new support group for parents and carers to discuss strategies for children's mental health and wellbeing) now meets bi-weekly.
- All of Us, is back to meeting every week led by Alma and Rachel
- We now have a monthly Zoom prayer meeting in addition to a very effective and active prayer WhatsApp group. We have seen some miraculous and amazing answers to prayer over the last year and are so thankful for God's action in our lives

Leadership:

- Last year saw the first official training of a PCC that we have had. We joined hundreds of other people from across the country in a Zoom webinar hosted by CPAS. We were greatly energised and realised the we were an encouraging, effective and vision led group!
- Our new PCC has agreed a new vision for BVC in light of the changes brought about by Covid. Please have a look at it!
- One of the most significant signs of growth and maturity of BVC is that we now have our first ordinand in training: Stuart Longworth. Stuart continues his full time work and now also his part time training. He

attends staff meetings and regular monthly supervising sessions with James. Stuart is becoming an exceptional preacher and interpreter of the Bible.

- A final and significant note is the recent announcement that Rev'd James Gwyn-Thomas will be finishing his time as Priest-in-Charge in July. His final Sunday will be July 18th 2021. He started in August 2013 as a curate from St Andrew's Leyland. Over the course of the last eight years much has changed and the growth in BVC has been a blessing for all. He moves on to a rural benefice in the Leeds Diocese: The Benefice of Kirklington, Burneston, Wath with Pickhill.

This list is by no means complete but it gives a flavour of all that has been happening in the life of our wonderful church family. Jesus is constantly working in all of our lives, especially in these difficult times. Please keep praying for further growth and for us to be able to meet together again soon. Gosh I miss you all.

Rev'd James Gwyn-Thomas

OUR STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Buckshaw Village Church was originally a church plant, established to reach the new and growing residential estate of Buckshaw Village. The church was set up in August 2010 with the support of Methodist and Anglican churches in Leyland, Chorley, Euxton and Whittle-le-Woods and with St Andrew's Leyland as the 'lead church'.

In September 2017 Buckshaw Village Church became a Conventional District within the Anglican Diocese of Blackburn, allowing it to begin the process of moving towards becoming a separate Parish and a separate Charity in due course.

On May 13th 2018 we held our first Annual General Meeting and elected our first Parochial Church Council.

The Parochial Church Council is a corporate body established by the Church of England. The PCC operates under the Parochial Church Council (Powers) Measure 1956 as amended and the Church Representation Rules (contained in Schedule 3 to the Synodical Government Measure 1969 as amended). The PCC is not yet a registered charity.

The PCC has no subsidiary companies or organisations.

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. New PCC members receive appropriate training in order that they understand their responsibilities and are able to carry out their role successfully.

The Parochial Church Council consists of ex-officio and elected members. The elected members hold post for three years and are elected at the Annual Church General Meeting held in April of each year.

Charitable Status : As income is less than £100,000 per annum we are not currently required to register with the Charities Commission.

Our normal place of worship is Buckshaw Village Community Centre, Unity Place, Chorley PR7 7HZ which is rented via the landlords RMG. Buckshaw Village Church does not own any property. We meet here for worship at :

- 9.15am each Sunday morning for All Age Worship
- 10.30am every Sunday for main worship service

We also meet online for:

- 9.15am each Sunday morning for All Age Worship (live via Zoom)
- a 9.15am All Age Worship service video (uploaded to Youtube and promoted via Facebook)
- a 10.30am Main Worship service video (uploaded to Youtube and promoted via Facebook)

Our PCC

Rev. James Gwyn-Thomas*	Priest-in-Charge and PCC Chair
Cosmas Anazodo	
Katherine Buckley*	Church Warden and current Deputy Safe-guarding Officer
Andrew Crowe*	PCC Treasurer
Amy Williams	PCC Vice-Chair
Ruth Houghton	
Dawn Longworth*	PCC Secretary & Electoral Roll Officer
Georgina Woosey	Deputy Treasurer
Lachlan McLean	Data Protection Officer
Gary Miller*	Church Warden
Josh Blayney	Health and Safety
Abigail Saunders	Deanery Synod Representative
John and Laura Townson	Parish Safeguarding Officers - not members of PCC but with reporting lines to Diocese and PCC as appropriate

* Standing Committee

The Standing Committee of the PCC is the only committee required by law. It liaises between PCC meetings and has power to transact business of the PCC between its meetings.

Salaried Staff

BVC 'employed' a number of staff, either directly or indirectly, during 2020;

James Gwyn Thomas, Priest-in-Charge	Paid a stipend by the Diocese of Blackburn
Rachel Harris - Youth and Children's Worker	Administered by St. Andrew's Church, Leyland - BVC reimburse St.Andrews for salary and associated costs
Andrew Kesiak, Pioneer Minister	Funded by local Methodist churches
Abigail Saunders, Vicar's PA	Administered by St. Andrew's Church, Leyland - BVC reimburse St.Andrews for salary and associated costs

OUR RISKS POLICY

The principal risks faced by the charity are:

Risk	Mitigation
Financial - unforeseen costs or downturn in regular giving	Managed through the setting of an annual budget for each main activity of church life and through regular reporting of income and expenditure to PCC.
Reputational - adverse publicity	Managed through regular review of all church activities by the management team/ PCC / Standing Committee.
Safeguarding of young people and vulnerable adults - accusations of inappropriate behaviours	The PCC has adopted safeguarding policies set up by the Diocese of Blackburn and has appointed two Parish Safeguarding Officers plus a Deputy Safeguarding Officer who, in addition to being consulted on matters of concern also present an annual report to PCC.
Loss of use of Buckshaw Village Community Centre	Ongoing dialogue with centre managers RMG. Back up plan to use Trinity School Hall.
Health and safety - fires ,slips, trips and falls, food hygiene, lone working, online safety, COVID safety, track and trace and all considered risks.	Formal risk assessments are carried out in relation to church activities and signed off by the PCC / Standing Committee in accordance with guidance provided by our insurers Ecclesiastical.

The PCC has approved a number of policies, including those in relation to safeguarding, and these can be found on the church's website.

OUR OBJECTIVES

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) manages the affairs of the Church of England Conventional District of Buckshaw Village Church and is responsible for co-operating with the incumbent, Rev James Gwyn Thomas. These responsibilities include managing the financial affairs of the church and vicarage, and ensuring payment of employees. It also works to promote in the Conventional District the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

When planning our activities for the year, the incumbent and the PCC have considered the Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion.

VISION:

BVC has a new vision. Please see the attached document to see it in full. In essence we have intentionally lost the strap line: BVC, The church IN Buckshaw FOR Buckshaw. This is due to the new scope and reach of our ministry since lockdowns.

The new vision expands upon this step line:

BVC: Loving Jesus, Loving Others, Loving Life.

We feel that this is a biblically motivated vision challenging us to put our faith into practice with the additional emphasis on holistic health.

Some things for us all to consider within this vision are:

To belong to BVC is to be a person who values:

Worship

Prayer

Learning

Serving

Giving

Loving

Equally...

BVC Leadership will always strive to:

Make Disciples

Be Witnesses

Grow Leaders

To work with children and young people as a priority

Equip church to “live life to the full”

Please review the full document (at the end of this report); to see what we as a church really stand for in our mission to build God’s Kingdom here.

In order to enable the PCC to achieve its objectives, the Conventional District holds services of worship each week and carries out Christian teaching to all age groups in a variety of settings and formats. We have duties in performing marriages and Baptisms for the Conventional District as a whole, including non-regular attendees of services. The church has a broad ministry to young people and a pastoral ministry to all within the Conventional District.

Volunteers play a significant role in the charitable activities of the PCC, undertaking a wide variety of responsibilities.

The PCC makes one-off donations to missionary and charity organisations.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Income:

The principal income source of the church is donations from those members of the public who attend and participate regularly. Income is also received from fees for weddings.

Expenditure:

The main expenditure of the church is on staff costs, community centre rent and on running costs of the church in support of the objectives and activities set out above.

Reserves:

It is PCC policy to maintain a free reserves balance equivalent to two months average monthly costs for all staff, general expenditure and emergency situations equivalent to (parish share excluded) £6000 to cover emergency situations.

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards including Financial Reporting Standard 102: The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the income and expenditure of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP (Statements of Recommended Practice);
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping sufficient accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the constitution. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

By order of the Trustees

Signed Date 2021

James Gwyn-Thomas

Revd James Gwyn Thomas

Chairman

Financial Statements

Accounts – Receipts & Payments basis in line with ACAT / Charities commission guidance for churches with under £250,000 per annum income.

Statement of Financial Activities

for the year ended 31 December 2020

	<i>Note</i>	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds	
		Funds	Funds	2020	2019
		£	£	£	
<u>Receipts</u>					
Donations and legacies		56,583	5,526	62,109	
Charitable activities		725		725	
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Total Receipts		57,308	5,526	62,834	
<u>Payments</u>					
Parish Share		30,000	0	30,000	
Charitable Giving		0	0	0	
Salaries		18,147	0	18,147	
Operating Expenses		15,620	0	15,620	
Other		1,780	207	1,987	

	65,547	207	65,754	
Total Payments				
<u>Net Receipts / Payments</u>	-8,239	5,319	-2,920	
Correction	-4		-4	
Funds at 31/12/19	19,691	16,707	36,398	
Cash from 2019 banked in 2020	1,611	0	1,611	
Funds at 31/12/20	13,059	22,026	35,085	

<i>Note</i>	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds	
	Funds	Funds	2020	2019

Statements of Assets and Liabilities
at 31/12/20

Cash Funds	13,059	22,026	35,085
Other Assets	0	0	0
Liabilities	0	0	0

Buckshaw Village Church
Income and Expenditure (1st January
to 31st December 2020)

BROUGHT FORWARD FROM 2019

Cash in bank	18,076	16,707	34,783
Cash not banked	1,611		1,611
Correction	4		4

INCOME

	19,691	16,707	36,398
Correction	-4	0	-4
Planned Giving	48,072	0	48,072
Other Giving	563	0	563
Gift Aid	6,863	0	6,863
Funeral	0	796	796
Call to Prayer	0	4,730	4,730
Events - Mark Drama	1,810	0	1,810
Total Income	76,995	22,233	99,228

EXPENDITURE

Charitable Giving	0	0	0
Marriage/Funeral		207	207
Parish Share to Diocese	30,000	0	30,000
Parsonage House - running cost and working expenses of incumbent	4,847	0	4,847
Salaried Staff - Childrens Worker	11,292	0	11,292
Salaried Staff - PA to Vicar	6,855	0	6,855
Youth Activities	524	0	524
Community Centre Rent	3,512	0	3,512
General church running expenses	2,848	0	2,848
Events - Mark Drama	1,780	0	1,780
Licenses/ Music/ I.T/ Insurance	3,889	0	3,889
Independent Examination	0	0	0

Bank Charges	0	0	0
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Total Expenditure	65,547	207	65,754
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Balance Carried Forward at 31st

December 2020

Income less expenditure	11,448	22,026	33,474
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Add cash from 2019 banked in 2020	1,611		1,611
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	13,059	22,026	35,085
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**The charity has no recognised gains or losses other than the results for the year as set out above.
All the activities of the charity are classed as continuing.**

These financial statements were approved by the Parochial Church Council on 28th March 2021 and were sign on its behalf by:

Rev J J Gwyn-Thomas

Chairman

Notes to the financial statements

Accounting policies

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the church's financial statements.

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention; in accordance with the applicable accounting standards; and under the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice (FRS102). The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS102. The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern as there are no significant current or longer term liabilities; and the entity has significant net assets and reserves.

Funds

General funds represent the funds of the PCC that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application on the general purposes of the PCC. Funds designated for a particular purpose by the PCC are also unrestricted. Restricted Funds are those funds that must be spent on restricted purposes. The financial statements include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in law. They do not include the financial statements of church groups that owe their main affiliation to another body or those that are informal gatherings of church members.

Income

Donations and capital sources

Collections are recognised when received by or on behalf of the PCC.
Planned giving receivable under Gift Aid is recognised only when received.
Income tax recoverable on Gift Aid donations is recognised when the donation is recognised.
Grants and legacies to the PCC are accounted for as soon as the PCC is notified of its legal entitlement, the amount due is quantifiable and its ultimate receipt by the PCC is probable.

Income from Investments

Dividends are accounted for when due and payable. Interest entitlements are accounted for as they accrue.

Deferred Income

Payments received in advance of revenue recognition are recorded as deferred income.

Expenditure

Grants

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding obligation on the PCC.

Activities directly relating to the work of the Church

The diocesan parish share is accounted for when due.

Pensions

The PCC operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions are accounted for as they become payable in accordance with the rules of the scheme.

Fixed assets and depreciation

Fixtures, fittings and office equipment.

Equipment used by the church is depreciated on a straight line basis over 5 years. Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £1,000 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

Current Assets

Amounts owing to the PCC at 31 December in respect of fees or other income are shown as debtors less provision for amounts that may prove uncollectible. Short term deposits include cash held on deposit at the bank.

Reserves Policy

Minimum £6000 to be held to cover average 2 months costs (excluding Parish Share instalments)

Parish Share

£30,000 paid towards the annual Diocese Parish Share request

Restricted Funds

Total £22,026. Comprising £16,500 for Buckshaw Retirement Village Rickshaws, £796 funeral fees, £4730 for Blackburn Diocese 'Call to Prayer' Initiative

Staff Costs

The aggregate payroll costs were as follows:



	2019	2020
<i>Gross Wages and Salaries</i>	16,056	15,741
<i>Employer's National Insurance costs</i>	164	174
<i>Pension Costs</i>	1,927	1,889
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	18,147	17,804

We continue to employ a Children's Worker and an Administrator none of whom earned £60,000 p.a or more. This represents an average of 1 full time equivalent staff. The average weekly staff number for the year based on average head-count were 2.

The total employee benefits to key management personnel were nil. Note that the stipend and benefits received by the Vicar are administered through the Diocese.

A new Vision for a new
chapter

2021



Buckshaw Village Church

VISION 2021

BVC

Loving Jesus, Loving People, Loving Life

**Our prayer is that we may be a
healthy church impacting and
transforming its community.**

**This is in line with our Diocesan
Vision.**



What does a “Healthy church” look like?

Put simply, a healthy church loves Jesus, loves others and loves life.

Loving Jesus:

“Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.” (Mark 12:30)

- ★ To love Jesus with all our heart is to love worshipfully.
- ★ To love Jesus with all our soul is to love prayerfully.
- ★ To love Jesus with all our mind is to love inquisitively.
- ★ To love Jesus with all our strength is to love practically.

Loving God means knowing Him and understanding that it is only possible to come to Him through Jesus. We understand that seeing and hearing Jesus clearly, ultimately comes through Scripture.

Loving people:

'Love your neighbour as yourself:' (Matthew 22:39-40)

- ◆ Loving others is a natural outpouring from enjoying God's love for us.
- ◆ Loving our church: We are a church *family*: A family that welcomes all, meets regularly, helps practically and is united by faith and vision.
- ◆ Loving our community: We do this through friendship, prayers, time, skills and resources. We love our community because Jesus loves our community. Ultimately, we know our unique privilege in this community is to make Jesus known.
- ◆ Loving our World: We commit to praying for and resourcing mission wherever possible.

Loving life:

“I have come that they may have life and have it to the full.” (John 10:10)

- ❖ Jesus came to give his followers abundant life: full of inspiration, love, power, peace, joy, purpose, hope and contentment.
- ❖ We strive to equip our church family with the time and tools they need to reflect upon and invest in their own personal health: spiritually, mentally, relationally and physically. We do this so that we may all love God with our hearts, souls, minds and strength.

Values

**To belong to BVC is
to be a person who
values:**

Worship

Prayer

Learning

Serving

Giving

Loving

**BVC Leadership will
always strive to:**

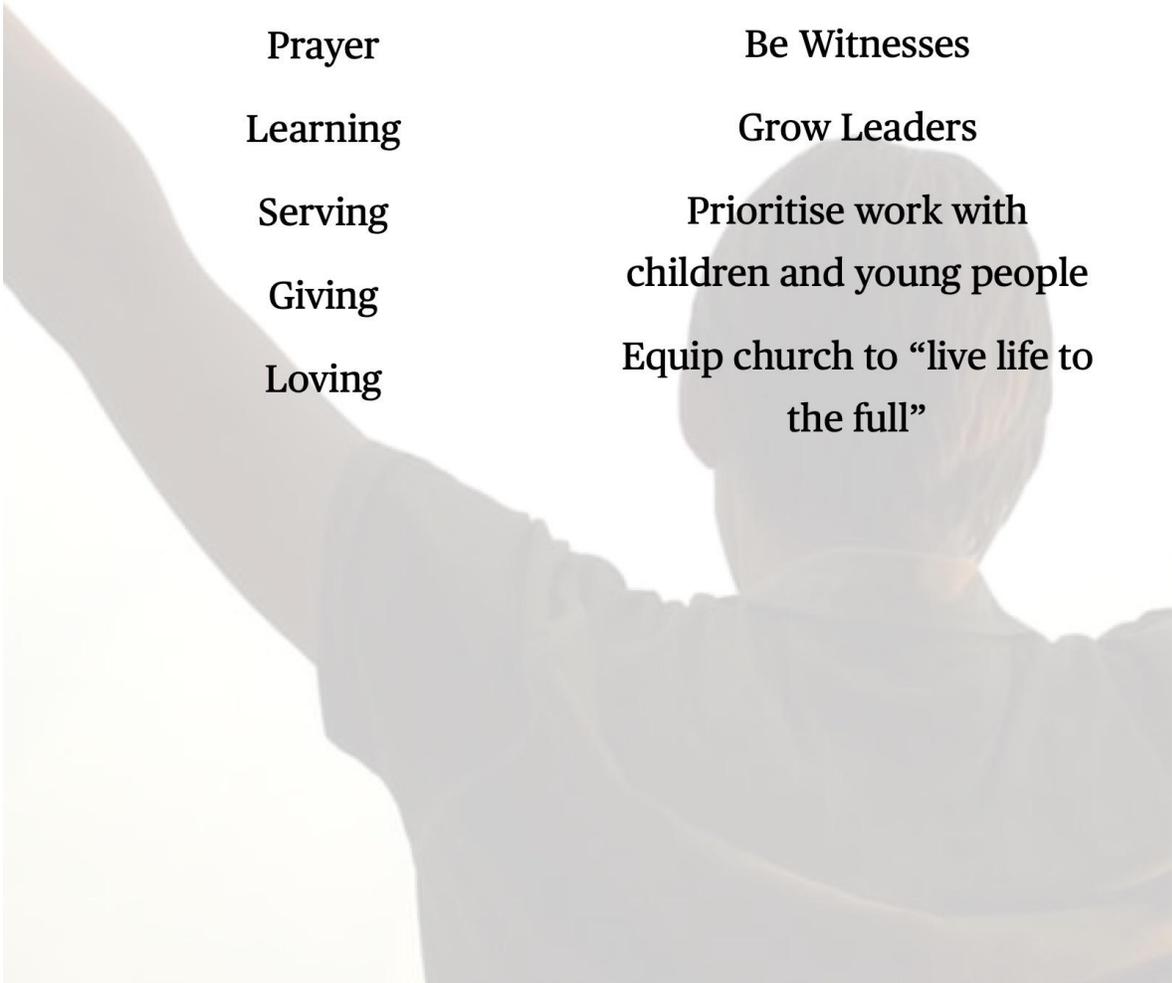
Make Disciples

Be Witnesses

Grow Leaders

Prioritise work with
children and young people

Equip church to “live life to
the full”



VISION 2021

Loving Jesus, Loving People, Loving Life

Heavenly Father, we embrace Your call for us to make disciples, to be witnesses, to grow leaders and inspire children and young people. Give us eyes to see Your vision, ears to hear the prompting of Your Spirit and courage to follow in the footsteps of your Son, our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Amen

