

## Worship Vision Group Meeting Notes – All Saints Guildford

19<sup>th</sup> November 2020, 5.30 – 6.45 pm via Zoom (during corona pandemic)

**Present:** David Barclay (LLM), Marguerite Barclay, Henrietta Harding, Ryan Harding (Occasional Preacher), Richard Hemingway, Sue Hemingway, Katherine Hopwood, Carolyn Nicholls (Secretary), Amber Payne, Beverly Watson (chair), Martyn Whiteman (Occasional Preacher)

**Welcome:** to Amber Payne

**Apologies:** Alison Moulden (LLM trainee).

Beverly explained that the agenda has a new format, in order to include everything that the V G is responsible for. Not every aspect will be considered each time in depth, but included so that things are not ignored or forgotten.

1. **Notes and action points from last meeting, 1<sup>st</sup> October 2020:** notes agreed. Actions taken –
  - a. Words of hymns and songs now available for 10am services
  - b. Sermon and Thursday message now printed in newsheet
  - c. Team for teatime service established
2. **Looking back: Review of Services in church since 1<sup>st</sup> October** (Morning Prayer; Thursday Communion; and Sundays at 8am, 10am and 4pm)
  - a. Services from Nov 5<sup>th</sup> online only due to Lockdown, anticipating being back in church from Thurs 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec
  - b. Sunday 8am – very small congregation, but important to maintain (RH)
  - c. 10am on 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays now better attended by family groups.
  - d. Usually about 30 at each service, but can accommodate more safely especially with family grouping.
  - e. Choral Evensong on Nov 1<sup>st</sup> at 6pm. Well attended and much appreciated, especially being able to participate in the responses (CN)
3. **School Services in Church:**
  - a. QE Harvest Festivals 6<sup>th</sup>+7<sup>th</sup> October (all 4 year groups separately) took place in church – greatly appreciated by staff.
  - b. Prayer Space in Church 10<sup>th</sup>+11<sup>th</sup> November postponed until after lock-down, probably reschedule in February.
4. **Dray Court:**
  - a. Team meeting for prayer monthly.
  - b. Due to re-open after lock-down, and hopefully from 9<sup>th</sup> December, at the request of Kerry Abbs from Guildford Borough Council. Due to Covid, Dray Court team, greatly assisted by Dinah, resident at DC and member and PA at St John's Stoke, plan to lead small service with 2 team members and 4 residents each week.
5. **Messy Church:** Largely 'on hold' during Corona virus. But we're offering two Messy Christingles on 6<sup>th</sup> December, at 10am and 4pm, led by the *Altogether Worship* Team. Services will be ticketed. Families from Onslow Infants will be invited to book in.
6. **Prayer:** For discussion at future meetings, to include the Daily Office and Prayer Breakfast. During 2<sup>nd</sup> Lockdown, Prayer table set up with 'Archbishops' Call to Prayer for the Nation' material available. Looks nice and welcoming (SH)
7. **Looking forwards:**
  - a. **Worship Rota for November and December 2020:**
    - i. request that publicity needs to be clear for services not being ticketed as well as ticketed.
    - ii. Carol service (not 9 Lessons and Carols) will be shortened, as no congregational singing allowed

- iii. Christmas Eve midnight mass will not be ticketed
- iv. Christmas Morning 9am service more family orientated with Music group, 11am service with choir.
- b. **Toddlers Christmas celebration:** not possible with Toddlers shut since March due to Covid, but request to hold a small, short celebration based on Mary's viewpoint for a 'Bumps and Babies' group probably in w/b 7<sup>th</sup> Dec. Agreed.
- c. **QE Christmas Services** planned for 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> December in church.
- d. **Worship Rota for January to Easter 2021:** outline circulated

**8. Worship Space:** For discussion at future meetings. Consideration being given by Safeguarding team with regard to safety with music group/choir and possible purchase of some clear screening to protect congregation.

**9. Courses: Pilgrim Course** Part 3 (The Commandments) from 4<sup>th</sup> November to 9<sup>th</sup> December. Proposal: Part 4 (The Beatitudes) from 6<sup>th</sup> January to 10<sup>th</sup> February. Part 5 (The Creeds) from 24<sup>th</sup> February to 31<sup>st</sup> March, as our Lent Course for 2021. Agreed

**10. Safeguarding:** update Role Descriptions. Agreed orally due to difficulties with Covid to sign hard copies

**11. AOB:** CN requested consideration of purchasing some booklets to share at special Christmas services particularly for non-regular church goers and guests to be given, also for Dray Court and Pastoral teams to distribute as appropriate. Suggestions were shown on shared screen. Attachment to be circulated with link to CPO website. Comments and suggestions to be sent to Beverly.

**Date of next meeting: Thurs 21<sup>st</sup> January 5.30-6.45pm via Zoom**

Carolyn Nicholls 21.11.2020