

Holy Trinity Church Office

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Dear Church,

You may be aware that a small task group has been formed to help shape the new 10.30am service, which will begin in September.

'Family Church' downstairs will have its final gathering on 12th July. Following this, we will move into our usual summer pattern of Altogether services during the school holidays, before the new united service begins officially in September.

The task group met for the first time this week. We began by discussing and clarifying the reasons for moving to a single mid-morning service, namely:

1. To bring unity to the wider church family as Jesus prayed for the church in John 17.20-23.
2. For the very practical reason that 'Family Church' is now at capacity downstairs and needs to move to a bigger space.

I'm aware that people are keen to know what the new service will look like, what provision it will have for children and young people etc. We are meeting as a group again on Wednesday to make decisions about these and other important matters and will share again where we get to. This Sunday we will be listening to the voices, ideas, and perspectives of our children and young people, allowing their insights to inform and shape our planning. Please do keep praying for the process and if you

have questions or comments, please contact me or any of the other task group members: Matt Davies, Alison Montgomery, Dan Metcalf, Dianne Thew, Claire-Lise Harrison, John Rutter & David Bakes.

Also:

This Saturday we are having a working party at church mainly working outside. **9am - 1pm**. Please do join us. Please bring gardening gloves, wear suitable footwear and bring any gardening equipment that you feel may be useful. (Please contact the office with any questions or queries you may have about this.)

God bless

Phil



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