Worship Questionnaire

The Worship and Prayer group would like to thank you for completing the Questionnaire. 65 questionnaires were returned, 40 of those by people who predominately worship at St Bridget’s and 20 at Caldy. The collated results have been discussed by the Ministry team and sent to PCC members.

The group was encouraged by the positive comments, reflecting the culture we enjoy in our church community and felt it had been a worthwhile exercise.

Some of the comments were diametrically opposed e.g. “I like to sing traditional hymns that we know, rather than modern ones” contrasted with “adding more modern hymns would be appreciated”. This is always going to be the case in a mixed and diverse community, something we celebrate.

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| **You said.** | **We did.** |
| It would be good to have more reflective moments in some of the services | This has been shared with the Ministry team who will look at how it can be achieved. |
| I feel uncomfortable when people talk in the Lady chapel before the 11am service on Wednesday | Pew cards have been designed to encourage a time of quiet preparation |
| Some of the intercessions are too long or preachy | We will continue to hold further sessions with those who do intercessory prayers |
| I prefer to take communion at the altar rail | For a variety of reasons, we are not intending to return to this |
| The organ is very important | We are aware of the importance of organ music in our services. The organ appeal at St Bridget’s has been launched to undertake necessary repairs |
| Several comments were made about theology, inclusivity and ethos of our faith which is reflected in our hymns | The Ministry team tries to take account of these when planning worship |
| Occasional hymn learning sessions outside the service would be useful | We will try to organise this |
| It’s difficult to hear the choir at St Bridget’s | We are looking at ways of improving the amplification in the chancel |
| Comments show you appreciate the choirs but would like them to be bigger | We constantly seek more members to join the choirs |
| several comments expressed how much you appreciate the music group | We might look at using them more and perhaps also at Caldy |
| Please continue with Live Streaming. | We are pleased that this is a way to reach out to our church family wherever they may be and plan to continue |
| Are we doing enough to consider accessibility of worship to people with diverse needs | We will consider further accessibility. This will be discussed at PCC in preparation for Inclusive Church Sunday in October |
| Several comments were received regarding the ability of some members of the congregation to stand for long periods during services | It is perfectly acceptable for people to sit when they need to during services and we will try to announce this |
| The blue plastic hand and sanitiser bottles on the altar are somewhat distracting | These have been replaced with glass dispensers |