



RETURNING TO OUR CHURCHES AFTER LOCKDOWN

WHAT TO EXPECT

Welcome!

We have put measures in place to help keep you safe, which will bring some changes to our usual way of worship. Please come along when you feel it is right for you.



BEFORE YOU ARRIVE...

- There will be no refreshments, so please feel free to bring your own drink.
- You may want to bring a Bible with you – these will not be provided.
- If you have young children who need occupying, you will need to bring their own toys – play areas are out of action for the moment.
- Face coverings are mandatory and should be worn while attending our church buildings.

If you have symptoms of coronavirus (high temperature, a new persistent cough, loss of or change to your sense of smell), please stay at home, book a test with the NHS or tel. 119



AS YOU COME IN...

- Please observe social distancing. You may need to wait for others to move through the entrance area.
- The doors will be open – please avoid touching them if possible.
- Hand sanitiser will be provided. Please use or wash hands with soap and water for 20+ seconds.
- If you bring a coat you will need to keep it with you.
- Single use notice or service sheets will be placed on seats before you arrive.
- To assist with NHS Test and Trace, we will be keeping a record of attendees, which is kept for 3 weeks only.
- You may be asked how many people are in your household or social bubble will be joining us, so that we can direct you to appropriate seating.
- There will be an offering plate for you to place your donations/envelopes on, but please consider using online/bank giving.

AS YOU COME IN...

Please follow the instructions
for each location



Hawkshaw

Please allow a Welcomer to direct you to a suitably sized group of chairs. Please don't add chairs in a way that decreases the distance between groups to less than 2m.

Church Centre

Please keep 3 empty chairs or an aisle between you and another household group/social bubble. Please follow the one way directional marking on the floor.

Holcombe

Please follow the signs to the available pews.

DURING WORSHIP...



- Sadly, there is no singing allowed at the moment, but in most cases there will be some music to listen to and reflect on.
- We will remain seated as far as possible, including during the liturgy, prayers, creed and readings.
- There will be no physical contact when we share 'the peace' together.

For services including Holy Communion:

- Please follow the instructions given by the worship leader on how to move around the building in order to maintain social distancing.

- Please sanitise your hands before and after taking communion – sanitiser will be available at appropriate places around the building.
- The congregation will only take the bread, which will be administered without words to reduce the risk of virus transmission.

As you leave, please...

- Take notice and service sheets home with you.
- Use the hand sanitiser.



Parish of
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Hawkshaw**

Any questions...

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