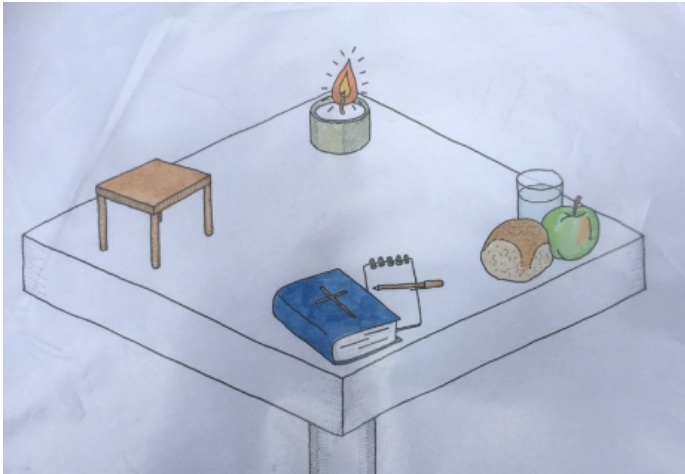


Greeting

Welcome in the name of Christ.

God's grace, mercy and peace be with you. Amen

Theme: Easter People are Family



Church Around the Table

- Candle: Jesus is light of the world
- Food: God feeds us
- Bible, Note pad and pen: We love God's word and apply it every day!
- Table: We are *all* family together, sat around tables together

Ephesians 2:19

Because you are reconciled to God through Christ you are no longer foreigners or strangers, but fellow citizens with God's people and members of his household.

Hebrews 10:24-25

Let us consider how we spur one another on towards love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another

John 19:26

When John saw his mother there [at the cross] he said to her, 'woman, here is your son', and to the disciple, 'here is your mother'. From that time on, this disciple took her into his home.

Matthew 18:15-17

If your brother or sister sins, go out and point out their fault, just between the two of you.

John 13:34-35

Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another.

Focus Questions/thoughts:

1. Think of a family from a TV programme, film, book or real life – good or bad – that made an impression on you? How did that family impact you?
2. Use the cards on your table to talk about where you see each aspect at St Peter's and reflect on where you could contribute.
3. Look again at today's readings. Are any of them harder than others for you to put into action? Why is this, and what might help?



Intercessions Activity: Church/Family/World Sheet!

Your personal thoughts and reflections



St Peter's at the Cross
Who, Vision, Mission and Values
2022

Who we are:

'St Peter's Church is a network of communities sharing God's love at the heart of the city'

Vision Statement:

'To see the City of Chester transformed by God's love.'

Mission Statement:

We will realise our vision through four branches of ministry:

Communities at the Cross

Establishing a network of relevant expressions of church

Outreach at the Cross

Following God into the city and where we live and work to bring his love and blessing.

Relationships at the Cross

Supporting Kingdom causes

Events at the Cross

Partnering in church unity across the city

St Peter's Values

Please note the wording of these sentences have been well worked through and prayed about. However, they are not finished and there is room for them to be adapted and grow.

- Love God: We love God because He loved us first. His love transforms lives and communities. This is our prayer for Chester.
- Value People: We treat every person with kindness and respect; so that all are truly seen, heard, appreciated and belong.
- Foster Connection: We seek out and create opportunities to connect meaningfully, build community and share in life as a family.
- Strengthen Wellbeing: We support one another in cultivating balance, wholeness and peace in all areas of life.
- Act with Kindness: We love Chester by giving practically and generously, working alongside others to bring about positive change.
- Advocate Justice: We stand for what is just over what is comfortable and play an active role in making our city and world a fairer place for all.
- Care for Creation: We take responsibility for God's creation and continuously work towards creating a more sustainable way of life.