

**APCM REPORT – 1st MAY 2022 -
- YOUTH WORKER -**

Current Regular Activities of Youth Worker:

Sunday Morning Youth

Sunday Night Youth

MUGA Mondays

Leading and Preaching

Participation in weekly staff meetings

Other pastoral care with young people and families as required

Ongoing management of our online service video platform and channel

REVIEW SINCE LAST APCM (JUNE 2021)

- **YOUTH WORKER PAID HOURS** – these remain unchanged at approx. 0.3 FTE
- **FELLOWSHIP PRIORITY** – emerging from COVID, a priority has been to establish the identity of our various groups and concentrate on growing Christ-centred relationships within them.
- **NEW MUGA INITIATIVE** – weekly, term-time hour of evening sports at the Marcham Centre has engaged both church and community young people to serve a need for peer-connection and physical activity and provides opportunities to expand our connection with young people in the community.
- **NEW VICAR** – Nick has assumed line-management responsibilities for the Youth Worker and is regularly engaging in our church and community activities for young people.
- **YOUTH ENGAGEMENT** – emerging from COVID has seen young people take up or resume serving roles in nearly all aspects of our wider church life; children's work, Sunday refreshments, praying/reading, Sunday welcoming, leading and preaching, bell-ringing, choir and more. We seek to further encourage our young people in this and to continue to look for how they can use their gifts in the wider church.
- **RESIDENTIAL** – our youth joined with Christ Church, Abingdon and Peachcroft for a joint residential weekend in February. This was a fantastic opportunity to learn, worship and fellowship with a wider group of Christian young-people.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES/CONSIDERATIONS

- **YOUTH CLUB** – we are actively reviewing whether a community youth club during the winter months is viable and what alternatives could look like.
- **BAPTISM & COMMUNION** – we are soon to conduct our preparation of admitting children to communion prior to confirmation for the second time. We have not been able to run this since before the pandemic.
- **WIDER ENGAGEMENT** – following a highly successful joint youth residential, our Sunday Night Youth are to join their termly Youth worship and teaching event.