



As a church we are passionate about helping children and young people to discover who God is, why they are here and what that means for their lives.

To help children and young people grow spiritually and build healthy friendships, we run a variety of activities designed specifically for them. Each activity has fully trained leaders, and everyone who works with children and young people has been CRB checked.

Power Source & Power Point

Power Source is our name for what used to be called Sunday School. It takes place on a **Sunday morning during the 10.30am service only**, and anyone aged between 3 and 18 is warmly invited to attend. **Power Source** consists of clear Bible teaching delivered in a variety of exciting ways, designed to be helpful and to challenge daily life.

All the children and young people join the first part of the Sunday service for family worship and teaching, and then leave for our age-specific groups. Parents are warmly invited to take their children through to the rooms. **Power Source** takes place in the church complex. Directions to rooms can be found at the Reception Desk.

Crèche

Babies from birth through to three years old are welcome at our **Crèche, provided during the 10.30am service only**. Even at an age where children may not understand what is taught in church, we believe it is important they feel that church is a fun, safe place where they are cherished and can be themselves.

We know that it is vitally important to parents for your children to be happy and safe, and so we ensure our **Crèche** facilities are of the highest standard. For the older children in this group there is a snack time where we provide a plain biscuit and juice – please let the team know of any dietary or medical needs.



Parents are welcome to take their children through to the **Crèche** at any point during the service. Directions to rooms can be found at the Reception Desk. To ensure your child's safety you will be asked to register your child and will be given a coded band, which you must have with you to collect your child.

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Youth Small Groups

Currently we have one **Youth Small Group** for boys and one for girls, each with around 10 members. They are open to anyone in Year 7 to 11 and there is also a mixed 6th form group (year 12 to 13). The groups meet on various **evenings from 7.30pm - 9.15pm** at group members' homes to **learn more from the Bible and help each other in living their daily lives** as Christians. The discussions are run by mature young people and leaders are just there to answer any difficult questions!

The Gathering

This is an amazing gathering of around 40 young people from Year 7 to 13 who meet together **after the Sunday evening service** in the Youth Room, upstairs in the church complex. It enables young people to help each other explore the Bible, to connect with God through worship and to deepen their relationships in a community. We try to make everything about **The Gathering** relevant to the culture of today's young people so it is a safe place for them to explore how to live their lives.

We also empower our young people to discover the talents that God has given them by serving each other and the wider church family. There is a very talented group of young people who serve in our worship band each week, helping us to meet with God.



Girls' Brigade & Boys' Brigade

We have strong groups of both the **Girls' & Boys' Brigades**, which are national Christian charities that have groups in many UK churches. Around 150 children and young people from the local community attend our Brigades each week. They run a varied programme mixing spiritual, educational, physical and service activities.

The Brigades are open for children aged 5 (in Reception Year at school) right through to 18 year olds. They are held on a **Thursday evening** in rooms across the church complex at the following times:

- 5.00pm - 6.15pm** - Explorers / Anchor Boys
- Reception Year 2
- 6.00pm - 7.30pm** - Junior Section
- Year 3 – Year 6
- 7.30pm - 9.00pm** - Senior Section /
Company Section
- Year 7+

Thank you for taking the time to read this leaflet. We hope you will see that our activities are here for you and your family. We'd love your children to join us at any of these activities.

*For further information or to enquire about your child attending any of the activities, please contact the Reception Desk on a Sunday or the church office by phone: **01702 292620**
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