

Withywood Church



About us

Withywood Church is a welcoming Anglican and Methodist church at the heart of the Withywood community in south Bristol. Based within the Withywood Centre, the church is uniquely placed to serve the neighbourhood through worship, hospitality, pastoral care, and active engagement with local people and organisations.

Our Vision

Our vision is to become a thriving, intergenerational Christian community whose life reflects the diversity of the neighbourhood around us. We believe God is calling us to build on our longstanding culture of warmth and welcome by developing deeper relationships with children, young people, families, and working-age adults, creating opportunities for people to encounter Jesus, explore faith, and belong within the life of the church.

As part of this vision, we are also seeking to deepen our partnership with St Andrew's Hartcliffe, working together in mission, discipleship, and community engagement across our neighbouring parishes.

The Withywood Community

Withywood is a community of great potential, resilience, and generosity, but it also faces significant socio-economic challenges. We believe God is already at work here, and we are committed to being a church that brings hope, serves our neighbours, and shares the good news of Jesus in ways that are relational, authentic, and transformative.

Community investment for transformation

With the support of the Diocese of Bristol's Priority Communities Network and in partnership with the Methodist Church, we are investing in this new Community Missioner role to help strengthen our presence within the community, develop new partnerships, and create sustainable pathways into worship, discipleship, leadership, and service.

Is God calling you to this exciting opportunity?

We're looking for someone with a vibrant Christian faith, a heart for mission in communities experiencing social disadvantage, and a passion for helping people encounter Jesus. You'll be relational, approachable, and able to build trust with people from all walks of life. Whether you're developing partnerships, supporting volunteers, or creating new opportunities for people to explore faith, you'll help us become a church that is increasingly reflective of and connected to the community we serve. We're looking for someone who feels called to this context and who shares our vision of seeing lives, communities, and the local church transformed through the love of Christ.

Want to know more?

For more details of this vacancy, please see here:

<https://www.bristol.anglican.org/aboutus/vacancies-xdb/parish-vacancies/>

You will also find details there on how you can arrange an informal conversation or visit, and how to make your application.