

Pledge form

To support this vision, please consider praying and asking God how you can contribute towards it.

Please return this card on Sunday 24 March as part of the Sunday service, when we will offer our gifts to the Lord. (If you are away, please return to the Church Office or email the Treasurer directly at treasurer@chanctonbury.org.uk).

Please note that this pledge form only records your commitment. You need to make any change to your giving through your bank account.

Name

Email

Phone No.

☐ I'm a current giver and pledge to increase my monthly giving by:

£

☐ I'm a new monthly giver and now pledge:

£

☐ I'm giving all I currently can and readily commit to praying for all God is doing in His Church at Chanctonbury.

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*"In the wilderness,
prepare the way of the Lord..."*

Isaiah 40:3

Vision Priorities

2024 - 2025

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Who has God called us to be?

Over several decades, God has spoken to His Church in this place in a myriad of ways calling us to make way for more of Him. The churches, communities, people and land in Chanctonbury are abundantly precious to His heart and He desires for this place to increasingly become a “dwelling place of God” (Genesis 28:17). This macro, longterm vision we call ‘2033’.

Within 2033, the calling of the church is one of chief worshipper, earthly family of God, forerunner and herald - being transformed by the presence of God, becoming equipped in Kingdom culture, and serving the lost and marginalised by demonstrating and “proclaiming the mighty acts of Him who called us out of darkness into His marvellous light” (1 Peter 2:9). As the Church grows and rises into maturity in Christ, the Kingdom of God advances and spreads individually and corporately as God increasingly dwells and abides with us, permeating the atmosphere, and adding to our number those who are being saved...

Where are we?

On a local church level, we are a multi-generational church family of approximately four-hundred Sunday worshippers within five congregations across three different locations - and have recently outgrown pre-COV-ID numbers, for which we give all the glory to God.

In December 2023, we resolved for the future to take our stand within the Church of England, positively promoting our biblical inheritance, and seeking to play our part in the transformation of the nation through the renewal and revival of the Church of England. The healthy acceleration towards our longterm vision for 2033 is our most powerful way of playing our part for the nation. Therefore, the question we have been asking the Lord is:

“What are the next steps You want us to take towards Your vision here?”

Vision priorities for 2024 - 25

Since December, we have taken time amongst the PCC and Staff to discern and unite around the next steps towards the 2033 vision:

Recruit an Associate Vicar for Ashington

Bearing in mind the loss of the Curate in summer '24, we desire to recruit an Associate Vicar to assist the Rector, specifically to oversee the pastoral, clerical and missional needs and opportunities within Ashington village.

Recruit an Associate Vicar for Washington

We desire to recruit a full-time Associate Vicar to oversee Washington, who can arrive with the mandate to spearhead and develop multi-generational ministry at Washington.

Recruit Ministry Assistants for Youth & Kids x 2

Every Sunday we host between 70 - 100 Under 18s at Ashington. We desire to strengthen this ministry through appointing Ministry Assistants for the Youth Pastor and Head of Kids, alongside our heart as a church to raise and train young leaders.

What impact could these roles make?

- As Ashington is becoming increasingly full, instead of adding further congregations, we aspire to see every church in this place grow multi-generationally, spiritually, and in number. Therefore, our key next focus is to intentionally see Washington grow with families and children, through maximising opportunities within the school and reaching the local community.
- We are beginning to see the early signs of awakening within Ashington village. We aspire to be ready for greater growth by appointing a focal leader (Associate Vicar) to support the Rector by spearheading pastoral, clerical and missional opportunities within the school and local community.
- We aspire to increase capacity in the youth and kids ministry, alongside training and equipping the next generation of Youth and Kids leaders in Kingdom culture, ready to pioneer for the Lord amongst younger generations.

Standing back

We aspire to see Chanctonbury continue to grow: grow in maturity and depth, grow in number, grow younger, and grow in raising leaders - so that we are taking the next steps towards our vision and ready to play our part in the revival of the Church of England for the sake of the nation.

