

# Inclusive Church

In 2023 St Anne's became a member of the Inclusive Church network, a network of churches, groups and individuals uniting together around a shared vision.

*"We believe in **inclusive church** – a church which **celebrates and affirms every person** and does not discriminate.*

*We will continue to challenge the church where it continues to discriminate against people on grounds of **disability, economic power, ethnicity, gender, gender identity, learning disability, mental health, neurodiversity, or sexuality.***

*We believe in a Church which **welcomes and serves all people** in the name of Jesus Christ; which is scripturally faithful; which seeks to proclaim the Gospel afresh for each generation; and which, in the power of the Holy Spirit, allows all people to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Jesus Christ."*

And so we are working to becoming more inclusive, embarking on a journey, exploring and valuing the diversity and beauty of the Kingdom of God alive in the Church. It is (and will continue to be) a journey; we have not arrived yet, we won't always get it right. Many of us have learned ways of thinking, speaking, behaving, that we need to change. Do help us on this journey. If you find us falling short of our vision, do tell us!

You can find out more about the Inclusive Church network [here](#).