

# Everyone Serving at *all Saints* Crowborough

*"There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit. There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord."*

*(1 Corinthians 12:4,5)*

*"Each one should use whatever gift you have received to serve others."*

*(1 Peter 4:10)*

*"I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing."*

*(John 15:5)*

## HOW HAS GOD GIFTED YOU?

- ◆ Are you a good listener?
- ◆ Do you enjoy caring for others?
- ◆ Would you like to help adults or children with additional needs?
- ◆ Would you like to teach children about Jesus?
- ◆ Do you have IT and audio skills?
- ◆ Do you have musical gifts?

***What sort of things do you like doing? That could be a good place to start.***

## Services and serving

When we think of church we probably think first of the service we attend. As we go into the building there will be welcomers, people to hand out leaflets; there will be a choir or music group, someone to read the Bible passage, perhaps others who lead prayers; more people involved with children's groups; and at the end a team serving coffee. Most of the people you see are serving as volunteers.

## Christ gives us gifts

Of course, this is just the tip of the iceberg. The Church is the body of Christ and is at work not only on Sundays, but all through the week in our jobs and other roles and as we serve Him in our community. We run a large number of activities each week to make Christ known and to build up the body of Christ, so that we grow and mature.

Knowing  
your **GIFTS**  
and finding  
opportunities  
to **SERVE**

Our Lord Jesus has given us spiritual gifts so that we can help build one another up. The New Testament gives examples of these gifts in the Acts of the Apostles and there are lists of gifts in the apostles' letters. Some of them are in this leaflet – and the New Testament lists imply there are many more. Paul wrote that Christ's gifts to his Church are "to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up." (Ephesians 4:12)

Every Christian has a gift or more than one gift which can be used in the service of the Church. (Sometimes other people are better able to recognise our gifting than we are ourselves.)

### How can I find my gift?

If you're not sure what your gifts are, ask yourself what energises you and what you like to do. That could be an indication. Ask someone who knows you well what they see in you.

We have adapted a gift discovery questionnaire which you can fill in online (or on paper if you prefer). From your answers, we will get back to you with an indication of your gifting and suggest how you could be more involved in the life of All Saints. If you would like to try this, please email [service@allsaintscrowborough.org](mailto:service@allsaintscrowborough.org) or phone the church office on **01892 652081** and leave a message if no-one answers.

### Opportunities to serve

If you already know your gifts there are many ways to use them. The list here includes many roles for which we need volunteers now or are likely to need in the near future. Some are more visible and you may know about them already. Others are less visible and you might not know who does them. If you might be interested in any of these roles and would like to know more, please email [service@allsaintscrowborough.org](mailto:service@allsaintscrowborough.org) or phone the church office and we will get back to you. We will tell you what's involved and, in most cases, there will be training or guidance. Some roles are weekly (if you can manage that) but many are on a rota, so you would do them once a fortnight or once a month. Others are occasional.

## All Saints Ministry Roles

ROLE	SUMMARY		
<b>AV Operator</b>	Operating sound, visual, lighting or livestream equipment for services (S)	<b>Church Office Support</b>	Use your computer skills to assist the office team (WD)
<b>Baker</b>	Cake-making for Young@Heart teas or for Chat@Hope Café or occasional events (A)	<b>Cleaning &amp; Housekeeping</b>	Be responsible for an area or type of cleaning in the church or halls (A)
<b>Barnabas Helpers</b>	To engage with those in the church family living with dementia and their carers, and help with activities within the session (WD)	<b>Cooking &amp; Catering</b>	Provide a savoury dish or pudding for Welcome lunches (A) or join others in catering for church events or conferences (OC)
<b>Barnabas IT &amp; Creative Support</b>	Help with preparing visual activities for those living with dementia (A)	<b>Craft Cupboard Organiser</b>	To do stock takes, sharpen pencils and keep the ASK cupboards tidy and ready for the children's groups (WD)
<b>Bible Reader</b>	Reading the Bible passage in services (S)	<b>Creation Care</b>	Working with others to develop this area (OC)
<b>Buddy Ministry (Accessibility Team)</b>	Help children or adults with disabilities so that they can engage in church activities (S)	<b>Creche Team</b>	Helping to support a group of small children on a Sunday morning (S) or during Women's Bible Study (WD)
<b>Café Helper</b>	To work with students from Grove Park gaining work experience in Hope Café on Fridays and help with refreshments (WD)	<b>Display Assistant</b>	Caring for the display of books for sale in Hope Café (A)
<b>Chaplaincy Team</b>	Help take a service once a month in a care home (WD)	<b>Drivers</b>	Bringing people to church and taking them home afterwards (S); or for Young@Heart or Barnabas (WD); or occasionally for Holiday at Home, or a hospital visit (OC)
<b>Chatters</b>	To come alongside, chat and befriend visitors to Hope Café midweek (WD)	<b>Evangelists</b>	Share the gospel as you talk with visitors who come to Chat@Hope Café (WD) or join a team to help run our evangelistic courses and facilitate small group discussion (WE)
<b>Children's Ministry</b>	To support children in their Sunday groups, chat through the Bible teaching and help with crafts & games (S), or on Tuesday afternoon in Adventurers (Years 3-6) or Heroes (Foundation to Year 2) we play games, make crafts and hear about Jesus (WD)	<b>Events Support</b>	Help set up and clear after big events and conferences once or twice a year (OC)
<b>Choir Member</b>	Sing in our choir at the 9.15 service and Evensong with practices on Friday evenings (S) (WE)	<b>First Aider</b>	Be part of the Young@Heart team as a first-aider (WD)
<b>Church Maintenance</b>	Help with practical things in and around the building (A)	<b>Flower Arranging</b>	Help with preparing, arranging and watering. Help particularly appreciated at Christmas, Easter and Harvest (WD)

<b>Foodbank Volunteer</b>	Various roles including warehouse volunteer, delivery volunteer, IT support and client support	<b>Playgroup Helper</b>	Help with Noah's Ark, such as setting up or organising crafts or giving a toddler-age Bible talk (WD)
<b>Gardener</b>	Be responsible for an area of the church grounds (A)	<b>Poster Distributor</b>	Change the posters and keep them up to date around church and in the locations in town (OC)
<b>Holiday Bible Club Helper</b>	Help as a children's leader, craft leader, refreshment maker, prop and set builder, registration team member, musician, drama team member, games-runner or AV operator. (It runs for a week at Easter.)	<b>Prayer Focus Co-ordinator</b>	Receive requests for prayer and allocate to the Prayer Focus groups, emailing weekly updates. Also an Assistant to receive updates and work with the Co-ordinator (A)
<b>Hope Café Shopper</b>	Keep Hope Café stocked with tea, coffee, etc. (WD)	<b>Prayer Focus Team Member</b>	Pray regularly as part of a Prayer Focus group for those in need who have requested prayer (A)
<b>Hospital Visitor</b>	Visiting one-to-one and sharing your faith with patients in Crowborough Hospital for convalescence and rehabilitation (WD)	<b>Prayer Garden Curator</b>	Write, prepare and refresh prayers, passages and thoughts displayed in the Prayer Garden (A)
<b>Language Facilitator</b>	Help students in their development in speaking the English language (WD)	<b>Prayer Ministry Volunteer</b>	Pray with those who ask for prayer after services (S) or at Thirsty Pop-up Praise (WE) or at Chat@Hope Café (WD)
<b>Leaflets Monitor</b>	Keep the leaflets around church and noticeboards tidy and remove things when out of date (A)	<b>Praying for the World</b>	Pray for our mission partners (WD)
<b>Legacy Champion</b>	Could you gently help people to think about their wills and consider how they could also support the church? (A)	<b>Refreshments Rota Admin</b>	Manage the rota for one of the Sunday services, and be the point of contact for anyone needing to swap (A)
<b>Library Assistant</b>	Keep the books organised and the room tidy (A)	<b>Refreshments Server</b>	Prepare and serve drinks and clear up afterwards on Sundays (S) or for Hope Café, Young@Heart teas, Noah's Ark or Lunchtime Prayers (WD) or Thirsty Pop-up Praise (WE)
<b>Lost Property Organiser</b>	Three times a year set out tables with lost property (OC)	<b>Table Companion</b>	Sit with and chat to Young@Heart members, and help make it a welcoming place for elderly folk and for people who support elderly relatives and friends (WD)
<b>Makaton Signer</b>	Be trained in Makaton and join the song-signing team (S)	<b>Thirsty Leading</b>	Take part in leadership such as leading prayers for Thirsty Pop-up Praise (WE)
<b>Musician or Singer</b>	Play or sing in the music group, helping everyone to worship on Sundays (S) or Thirsty Pop-up Praise (WE)		
<b>Pastoral Care Volunteer</b>	Get to know people and offer practical and spiritual support where needed, including visiting some at home or in residential care (WD)		



<b>Thought For The Day Leader</b>	Be part of a team to give a Thought for the Day and present the gospel at Young@Heart (WD)
<b>Trebles Facilitator</b>	Help the Choir Trebles to grow in their musical abilities and their Christian life and worship (WD)
<b>Website Checker</b>	Keep an eye on the website so that it is accurate and up to date (A)
<b>Weekday Welcomers</b>	Be a friendly face and welcome visitors when the church is open Monday – Saturday (WD)
<b>Welcomer</b>	Greet people at our Sunday services and ensure everyone feels welcome and included as a Welcomer or Sidesperson or at the Lychgate (S), or at Thirsty Pop-up Praise (WE)
<b>Young@Heart Welcomer</b>	Welcome elderly members who might struggle with mobility. Help them out of cars and safely into the hall (WD)
<b>Young@Heart Leader</b>	Help plan and lead Young@Heart, and set up the room each week (WD)
<b>Youth Leader</b>	Engaging with the young people, planning games and activities, and optional teaching responsibilities either on Sunday (S) or Tuesday evening (WE)
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Many roles have rotas to share the work among a team of people. To find out more please email [service@allsaintscrowborough.org](mailto:service@allsaintscrowborough.org) or phone the church office.

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