

# St Pancras Church

## Mission Action Plan 2014

“What does the Lord require of you, but to do justice, to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?” *Micah 6:8*

This Mission Action Plan sets out our vision for the next three years at St Pancras Church. The plan outlined here has emerged from two PCC Vision Days held in January 2013 and January 2014, and from two consultations with the wider congregation held in April and September 2014.

### Our Aim

We want to be a church that embraces Micah’s vision, giving equal priority to three core relationships –

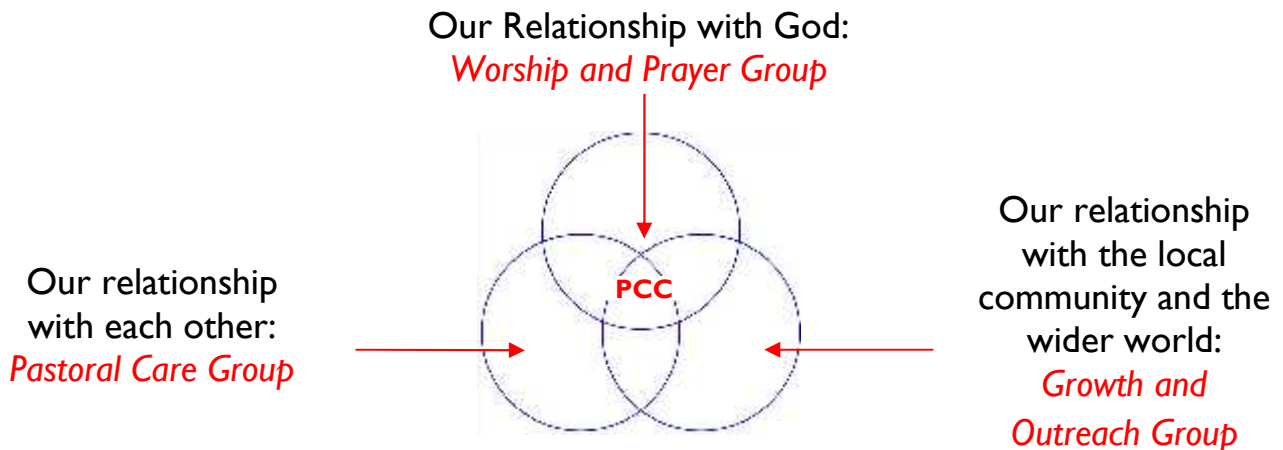
- Our relationship with God
- Our relationship with each other in the church
- Our relationship with the local community and the wider world

We will constantly seek to deepen these relationships, and to strengthen the links between them.

We hope and trust that living out the love and justice of God will help us grow as a church – in faith, in numbers, and in the positive impact we can make in the parish and beyond.

### Our Ways of Working

To this end, we have set up 3 PCC Working Groups to oversee the following areas of our mission and ministry, regularly reporting back to the PCC.



## Our Priorities for the next 3 Years

<b>To deepen our relationship with God</b>	
<b>Objectives</b>	<b>Actions</b>
To offer worship, music and preaching of a consistently high standard	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Keep all aspects of our services under review</li> <li>• Offer extra and different services occasionally</li> </ul>
To keep the church open as much as possible as a 'house of prayer for all people'	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adjust staffing to provide a safe welcome for all</li> <li>• Provide prayer resources for visitors and congregation members</li> <li>• Make the church building as attractive as possible, internally and externally</li> </ul>
To explore more ways of engaging with the scriptures, together and separately	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Offer more opportunities for study groups</li> <li>• Provide resources for personal study</li> </ul>
To help children of different ages learn about the Christian faith	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Offer a variety of resources for children of different ages on Sundays, and encourage their active participation in services and other activities</li> </ul>
Foster congregational growth by doing more to share our faith in word and action	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PCC to discuss growth targets</li> <li>• Offer more events to which we can invite other people</li> </ul>
To offer more opportunities for students to explore and grow in faith	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discuss ways forward with the UCL Chaplain</li> </ul>

<b>To deepen our relationship with one another</b>	
<b>Objectives</b>	<b>Actions</b>
To offer more opportunities to meet together	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Regular parish lunches, social events etc</li> <li>• Refreshments after major services</li> </ul>
To show God's love to one another	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Be nice to each other!</li> <li>• Build on the 'Everybody Welcome' course</li> </ul>
To improve our communications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Up-to-date contact lists, email, website etc</li> <li>• Advertise what we offer</li> <li>• Have contact forms available for newcomers</li> <li>• Develop our use of social networks</li> <li>• Keep the staff informed of pastoral needs</li> </ul>
To encourage people to become more involved in specific areas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hold periodic Open Meetings to discuss matters together (or discuss in services)</li> <li>• Encourage congregation members to take part in services and join a PCC Working Group</li> <li>• Organize the next Stewardship Campaign</li> </ul>

<b>To deepen our relationship with the local community and the wider world</b>	
<b>Objectives</b>	<b>Actions</b>
To maintain and publicise our concern for issues of social justice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Develop active participation in our membership of Inclusive Church and WATCH</li> <li>• Share news of other causes and projects we are involved in, and invite others to get involved</li> <li>• Host lecture/conferences etc</li> <li>• Preach about the real world</li> </ul>
To maintain and develop our celebration of music and art	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Host concerts and exhibitions</li> <li>• Actively support the LFCCM</li> <li>• Consider organ restoration</li> </ul>
To respond to local needs, concerns, issues, crises etc	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue to work with Camden Council, local community groups, charities etc on specific issues as they arise (incl. HS2 / Euston Area development)</li> <li>• Conduct a Community Audit to identify other local needs and opportunities</li> <li>• Open up the church gardens</li> <li>• Strengthen the link with the Church School</li> <li>• Restore War Memorials and plan a WWI Centenary event in 2017</li> </ul>
To continue to build on our existing partnerships	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue to support and actively contribute to the work of PSALM, the Camden Foodbank and our ALMA link with Cuamba, Mozambique</li> </ul>

## **Our Resources and Facilities**

In order to fulfil these aims and objectives, the PCC has begun the process of reviewing the resources and facilities at our disposal. This is the church we want to be. So what buildings, what staffing, what money and other resources do we need, to grow in this way?

Specific Targets for the next three years related to the building:

1. Begin to plan Bicentenary celebrations in 2022
2. Complete the Portico Project
3. Begin to think about next restoration/re-development project (by identifying what spaces and facilities we need in the church and/or crypt or grounds and inviting architects to submit proposals)
4. Look for ways of generating more income from hall, church and grounds.