

## WHY WOULD I SERVE?

Being part of a Team and serving within the church is one of the most rewarding and enjoyable aspects of church life! Working in a team gives us a sense of belonging and community, it let's us become part of something bigger than ourselves, and it's fun!!

*Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.*

*1 Peter 4:10*

But there's more to it than that. Much more!

God is gracious enough to choose to work through his children and there is something fulfilling at the deepest level of our being about seeing Jesus at work and being able to think "In some small way I played my part in what God is doing here..." So serving is both an act of obedience to God and one of the key ways in which we grow in our relationship with God. A growing Christian faith will always leave us feeling dissatisfied with being just a consumer of church—deep down inside we long to join in. If that's you, read on...



## HOW DO I JOIN IN?

The first port of call is always to have a conversation with a Team Leader. If you are not sure who the right person to speak to is, have a chat with Astrid, Ellen or Paul, or any member of the Leadership Team or Welcome Team and they will introduce you.

## CHAT TO US...



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## JOINING IN

# at Thornhill Baptist Church

We are convinced that church was never meant to be a spectator sport! Everyone has a contribution to make, gifts to use, and God-given interests and passions which lead us towards serving him in different ways. Each of us is unique in our mix of gifts, skills and creativity, enabling us to serve God, our community and each other in ways that nobody else can. You have a part to play, and we are incomplete without you!



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## TEAMS AT TBC

There are a large number of teams within TBC, each of which offers a range of different opportunities for joining in.

### Catering

Our Catering Team provide food and drink for various church events throughout the year, from snacks to four course meals.

### Café

Our Café opens three times a week, offering a safe space and a warm welcome to all. The Team chat with customers, serve in the kitchen and bake delicious cakes for everyone to enjoy.



### Children

Our Children's Team work with our wonderful 0-11 year olds in Sunday morning groups, Rainbow Tots, BFG on a Friday night and various special events.

### Data Protection

The Data Protection Team ensure that we manage everyone's personal information correctly.

### Finance

The Finance Team not only look after the budget and bank accounts, but also oversee lettings, contracts and payroll.

### Flowers

Members of the Flower Team produce a beautiful arrangement for each Sunday, then deliver bunches of flowers on Monday as part of our pastoral care.

### Food Hub

The Food Hub Team organise and oversee the sorting and distribution of food through our Friday afternoon Food Hub.

### Health and Safety

Our Health and Safety Team ensure that we stay safe and compliant with the law in all matters of H&S, and keep our policies up to date.

### Messy Church

Our monthly Messy Church is planned and led by a team who love introducing whole families to faith.

### Mission Support

The Mission Support Team take a lead in developing our relationships with our mission partners here and overseas.

### Operations

Our Ops Team assist with arranging furniture and setting up the building for all our events.

### Pastoral

Our Pastoral Care Team includes a number of specialised roles, drawing together people who take a lead in the care we provide as a church.

### Prayer Ministry

We offer prayer during and after the service every Sunday and the Prayer Ministry Team are a group who are willing to pray for whoever comes forward.

### Premises

The Premises Team are a practically minded group who look after our buildings and grounds, including the two manses.

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*Now you are the body of Christ,  
and each one of you is a part of it.*

*1 Corinthians 12:27*

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### Social Media

Our Social Media Team are developing TBC's presence and profile across a range of online platforms.

### Tech

The Tech Team includes technically minded people with a number of specialities: sound and video engineering, IT, phone systems and so on.

### Welcome

The Welcome Team greet everyone on a Sunday and help newcomers to find their way into the heart of church life.

### Worship

Our Worship Team of musicians, singers and worship leaders are focused on leading us into God's presence through musical worship.

### Youth

The Youth Team are committed to reaching out to and discipling our amazing 11-18 year olds both on a Sunday morning and through various midweek activities.