



GLOWETH CHAPEL

Welcome!



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Gloweth Chapel is the meeting place of a group of friendly Christians from Truro and the surrounding area. We warmly welcome visitors. You do not need to be a Christian to visit us - all are welcome.



Who are we?

We are a Christian church, made up of people of all ages and walks of life. We worship and serve God, and believe in the Holy Bible. We want to follow the teachings and example of the Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, and to tell others about him.

We are not affiliated to a denomination, and we enjoy friendship with a wide variety of Christians from other churches both locally and further afield. We hold to historic and mainline Christian beliefs and practice.



Gloweth Chapel was built in 1887, and the current church was established in 1971.

What Do Christians Believe and Teach?

Who is God?

Christians worship God. There is **one God**, who exists eternally in three distinct but equal persons: **the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit**. God is unchangeable in his being, wisdom, power, holiness, justice, goodness and truth. He is the almighty **Creator, Saviour** and **Judge** who sustains and governs all things according to his sovereign will for his own glory.



Who is Jesus Christ?

Jesus is the Son of God. He was **born** of the virgin Mary around 2000 years ago in the town of Bethlehem. He lived a **sinless life** in obedience to the Father. At around the age of thirty, he left his work as a carpenter, and began his ministry. He taught with authority, and went around doing good, and healing the sick. Jesus was **crucified** by the authorities, **dead**, and **buried**. The third day after his burial, he was **raised** from the dead.

The living Lord Jesus Christ has **ascended** to the throne of God. His title "Christ" means that he is the long-promised Saviour of the world, and the ultimate prophet, priest and king. From heaven, **he will come** to judge the living and the dead. The Bible reveals that Jesus is **fully God** and **fully man**. Christians trust in Jesus for the forgiveness of sins, and worship him.

What to Expect at our 10:00 am Service...

Prayers, Readings, Singing and Preaching

Our regular 10:00 am service may include prayers (led from the front), Bible readings, and singing, and a 'message' which is where we listen to someone preach from the Bible. The exact order and content will depend on the person leading the service.

Singing

We sing at this service. We currently use two hymnbooks: 'Redemption Hymnal' which contains traditional hymns, and 'Mission Praise' which contains a mix of older hymns, new hymns, and worship songs. If a pianist is present, the singing may be accompanied. Don't worry if you are not used to singing, there is no pressure, and no need to feel embarrassed.



A Message For All

The name 'Gospel Meeting' is traditional, and reflects our history. It refers to the preaching being evangelistic in emphasis. However, this service is also a time of worship for the church, and the preaching will often include teaching and application for those who are already Christian believers. Our approach to spreading the message of Jesus Christ is broader than just this one service.



Preaching

The speaker will often preach a message which includes a challenge to any listeners who are not yet Christians to put their faith in the Lord Jesus for the forgiveness of sins. The speaker may be one of the elders, or someone else from the church who preaches, or a visiting speaker from another church.

Fellowship and refreshments

The Gospel Meeting usually lasts 45 to 50 minutes, and is followed by tea and coffee refreshments. This is a great opportunity to chat and catch up with one another.

How Can a Person Be Right With God?



We are all sinners

The Bible teaches us that all people are **sinners**. By nature, we are without spiritual life, guilty of sin, and hostile to God. Every person is therefore under the just condemnation of God and needs to be born again, forgiven and reconciled to God in order to know and please him.

Jesus died to save sinners

Through the Lord Jesus, God himself comes to our rescue. Jesus died on the cross in the place of sinners, bearing God's punishment for their sins. God now calls all people everywhere to turn from their sins and trust in Jesus, promising **forgiveness** to all who believe.

We cannot save ourselves

We cannot put ourselves right with God by our own good works. Our rescue (salvation) is entirely a work of God's **kindness** and cannot be earned or deserved. God in his **love** forgives sinners whom he calls, granting them repentance and faith. All who trust in Jesus Christ are made right with God by faith alone, adopted into the family of God, receive **eternal life**, and the promise of being raised from the dead.

Repent and Believe

If you are not yet a Christian, we encourage you to seek the Lord. **Repent** and **believe** in Christ. A new Christian is then baptised in water in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. New believers become part of a local church.

The Life of a Christian Community...

In the New Testament, Luke describes the early church:

"And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers." (Acts 2:42)



The Apostles' Doctrine

We believe the entire Bible is the Word of God, and is true and reliable. We want to follow it in our lives. Because of this, we read the Bible, and explain its teachings in our meetings. As a community, we also encourage personal Bible reading, study and reflection as part of daily life.

Fellowship

The New Testament teaches us that the Christian life is to be lived in community with others. We experience fellowship together by means of being part of a local church. We want to spend time together in friendship, mutual support, and encouragement.

Image from a recent outreach event



The Breaking of Bread

The Breaking of Bread Meeting (11:15 am) is the service where Christians take part in a meal of bread and wine. The Lord Jesus taught us to do this in remembrance of him. The atmosphere of the service is both reverent and joyful. This commemoration is also called 'The Lord's Supper' or 'Communion.' The bread represents the body of the Lord Jesus, and the wine represents his blood.

There is a table at the front with bread and wine on it. In this service, there will be prayers, hymns, readings, and short explanations. We eat a small piece of bread and drink a sip of wine. The focus is on the Lord Jesus Christ, his death on the cross to atone for our sins, his resurrection and ascension, and his presence with his church.

Prayers

Prayer is speaking to God. The prayers you hear in our church will take a variety of forms. For example they may be prayers of adoration to God, or prayers of confession of sin. You may hear prayers of thanksgiving, and prayers for others and their needs. After a prayer, we say, 'Amen.'

During our meetings, individuals will also engage in silent prayer. Prayer is also important to us in daily life, not just while in church. We believe God hears and answers prayer. The Lord Jesus taught us to pray.

We would love to share more with you. Please just ask.



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For more information...

You can find out much more about the church, and about Christian faith and life, by visiting our website glowethchapel.org. Get in touch.

There is a lot more going on than just our regular services. Details of all upcoming events are on the website and on Facebook.

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