



ST MARTIN'S
CHURCH
LISKEARD

Our mission is...

"Through the power of the Spirit to bring the love of Jesus to our community, to make disciples and to worship God together."

St Martin's is a Spirit-led, prayer focused, Jesus centred, worshipping community. Our mission priorities are:

- Mission, evangelism & growth
 - Discipleship & good teaching
 - Families & young people
 - Community & looking after the poor
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We have a passion for seeing lives transformed through the power of the Gospel. The Bible is at the heart of our faith: we believe that it is the inspired word of God. We see a church that reaches out into the community; where people are passionate about the word of God and want to tell others.

Our vision is of a church of 600 people that is spiritually deep and culturally wide: a multi-generational church with a heart for families. We see a church focused on Jesus where the Holy Spirit is welcomed and prayer, prophecy, and miracles are the norm. A place of hope and healing where people can find a home.

We see a church that is a centre of excellence in a variety of worship styles, providing top quality children's and youth work.

This is not a business plan, rather a Spirit led vision behind which we can unite. We are on a journey together, guided by our mission statement.

Steve Morgan
Vicar of St Martin's

The Five Marks of Mission

The Mission of the Church is the mission of Christ

Tell:

To proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom

Teach:

To teach, baptise and nurture new believers

Tend:

To respond to human need by loving service

Transform:

To transform unjust structures of society, to challenge violence of every kind and pursue peace and reconciliation

Treasure:

To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation, and sustain and renew the life of the earth

The Sixth Mark of Mission

This is an additional and is vital in sustaining the work of the other 5 but is also the result of achieving the above

Thrive:

To grow spiritually, numerically and to be financially sustainable

***We have used these six marks of mission
to set out our church's vision***

Tell:

To proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom

We want to introduce as many people as possible to Jesus. This will be through **Alpha** courses, **schools and young people's work, community work**, raising a congregation of evangelists and continuing to work with other Christian denominations.

We believe in growing the Kingdom rather than just one church and will seek to support other churches and mission organisations. We are committed to becoming a **resourcing church**; supporting and encouraging other local churches in South East Cornwall to grow.



Teach:

To teach, baptise and nurture new believers

We want to be a place where members are taught, disciplined and challenged in their faith. We are a family of believers who look after the needs of each other pastorally, spiritually and practically. We will offer structured teaching in a variety of ways including **courses, Sunday talk series** and one-off teaching events. We see a Church that doesn't just exist on a Sunday morning, but where each member belongs to a **Life Group**.

We want to be a church with prayer at its heart and where people feel a sense of belonging. We encourage everyone to serve on a **team**. We want to connect with and nurture young adults. We believe in the priesthood of all believers and want to raise up and nurture leaders.



Tend:

To respond to human need by loving service

We want to love and care for our wider community by following Jesus' example. We will continue our involvement in our local community. We want to pray regularly for our local area, hold prayer and fasting days and take **prayer out into the town and beyond**.

Schools are significant institutions within the community and we want to support them. Children and families are the main focus of our mission and through activities such as **ABC, youth groups, schools work, family events and holiday projects** - we will support families and young people and find new ways to encourage them to get to know Jesus.



Transform:

To seek to transform unjust structures of society, to challenge violences of every kind and to pursue peace and reconciliation

We want to bring a Christian presence to our community and to reach out to those in need. Jesus went out of His way to help those in need. We currently host the **Liskeard churches CAP centre**, and contribute to the **Foodbank**, offer free meals over the summer periods, work in partnership with **Café Abundance** and distribute hardship and food grants. We want to do more. We also want to continue our support of **mission in other countries** with mission Sunday's, supporting overseas mission families, mission trips to Calais and working closely with CMS and other partners.



Treasure:

To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the earth

As stewards of creation, we are committed to protecting the planet God has given us. We want to celebrate **biodiversity** with projects such as Making Space for Nature. We will monitor our progress through the **Green Church Awards** and **Eco Church Awards**. We continue to look towards making our buildings more **sustainable** and efficient.

We want to do our part in **cutting carbon** and have already installed solar panels, energy efficient lighting and underfloor heating in the church. We want to do the same in our church centre and plan to complete a renovation and reordering of the complex. We will do this in order to care for our buildings and make sure they are relevant for their multi-purpose use.



Thrive:

To grow spiritually, numerically and to be financially sustainable

By 2026, we see a church where its members **attend church services regularly**, belong to a **Life Group**, serve on a **team** and **tithe 10%** or more of their income.

Our church is deepening its spiritual roots as we grow upwards and outwards. We need to be Jesus focused. If our hearts are centred on Him, then his concerns will be our concerns and our church and all whom we serve will **Thrive**.





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https://www.youtube.com/channel/UckQ84Zh2Q67826P_-yuxp4A

Further links:

Evangelical Alliance Statement of Faith

<http://www.eauk.org/about-us/how-we-work/basis-of-faith>

New Wine Statement of Faith

<https://www.newwineinternational.com/statement-of-faith>

Transforming Mission

<https://trurodiocese.org.uk/resources/tm/>

Green Church Kernow Awards

<https://trurodiocese.org.uk/resources/social-action/creation-care/green-church-kernow-awards/>