

## 10am Worship on Sundays

We are glad you are here to worship with us this morning. This leaflet offers a little information about what provision is available for children and young people, should they wish to go out during the service.

St Mark's is a great place for children and their parents/carers, who are welcome as part of our community of all ages. Some groups meet regularly but we also organise special events, services and activities at other times throughout the year e.g. Christmas and Easter.

At the back of church is an area where small children can play under parental supervision whilst the service is going on. There are books and toys available – please help yourself!

Everyone is invited to share in Communion at St Mark's, so many of our children and young people share in the bread and wine too (non-alcoholic wine is available). This is an individual decision for parents/carers to make on behalf of and together with their child. We explore the meaning of Communion in different ways throughout the year in each of our groups and are happy to discuss this further if you have any questions.

Do feel free to join us for a drink afterwards and say hello – we're very friendly!

Hannah Jones,  
Children and Families' Worker  
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We offer...

### Fortnightly Children's Groups:

Creche (0-3+yrs)

Godly Play (4-11yrs)

Lions' Group (Y5+)

These alternate with...

### Monthly Family Groups:

Music & Storytelling Sessions

Gathering on the Green

Feel free to choose whether you'd like to attend the indoor family sessions with your child/ren or re-join the Eucharist Service if they are school age and happy to be left.

When outside, parents and children are invited to start worship together at 10am and then join the indoor service for Communion. We ask parents to stay for this as it is an open public space.

If your child/ren would like to attend a session during the service please fill in and detach the form for each child, so that we start to know a little about them and how we can make them feel most welcome.

Visiting Families  
Initial Information for each child.

Name:

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Preferred pronouns:

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(S/he/ they or Her/ his/ their)

Age and which group attended:

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Parent / Carers' Names:

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Contact telephone /email:

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Occasionally we offer the children a snack or food within the session. Does your child have any allergies or other medication that we need to know about?

Yes (please specify) / No

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Is there anything else you would like us to know? (If so, please turn over!)

## Opportunities to look out for at St Mark's:

### Events!

We love a social and there is usually good food involved! Social events often happen around key dates in the year like Epiphany, Shrove Tuesday, or the end of summer term.

### Children and Communion:

Opportunities for children to explore aspects of Christianity in more depth and have time to build relationships.

Find out more about any of these opportunities by looking at the St Mark's website

[www.stmarkssheffield.co.uk](http://www.stmarkssheffield.co.uk);

or contact Hannah Jones to register for regular updates and/or arrange to meet up and chat!

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## Welcome leaflet for visiting children and families.

