



2022/23 ANNUAL REPORT

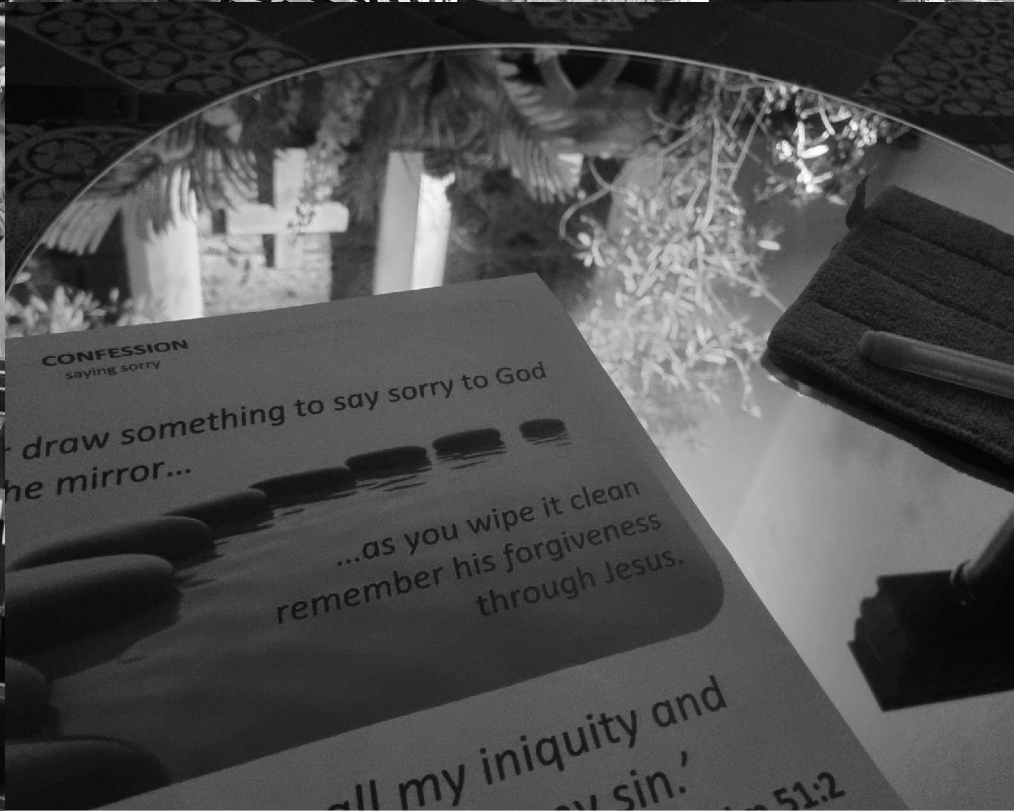
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is to...**

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&
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**to see our world
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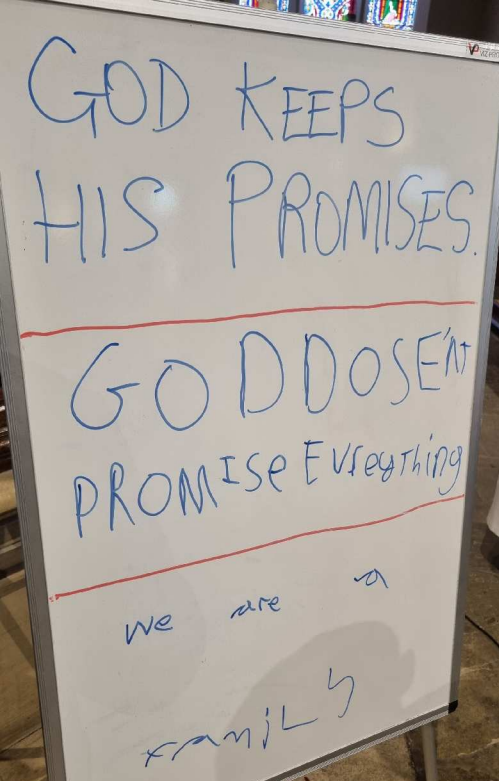
It's hard when a church is in the middle of a long project. At the start there are big exciting ideas and at the end you launch, but the middle is where the work really happens. Our church buildings transformation project has developed from ideas round a table to 3D models and exciting plans and it has taken lots of work and prayer.

Some things have been finished this year though...we've tackled the whole of Mark's gospel and met Jesus in the pages, we've delved into Revelation and also been shaped by some courageous and humble examples of the women in the bible in our Lent series.

Of course we've also seen great change as a nation. Platinum Jubilee celebrations turned into a nation mourning together the death of our Queen. In the midst of change it's easy to worry about what comes next. But we have a constant. Jesus Christ is the same, yesterday, today & forever – Hebrews 13:8. This was brought home to me this year standing in a field in Sussex hearing 400 young people (including our group) on the Diocesan youth camp sing/scream...



**"There's a fire in our hearts and it burns for you; it's never gonna fade away.
We are the free, yours is the glory!" – Matt Redman**

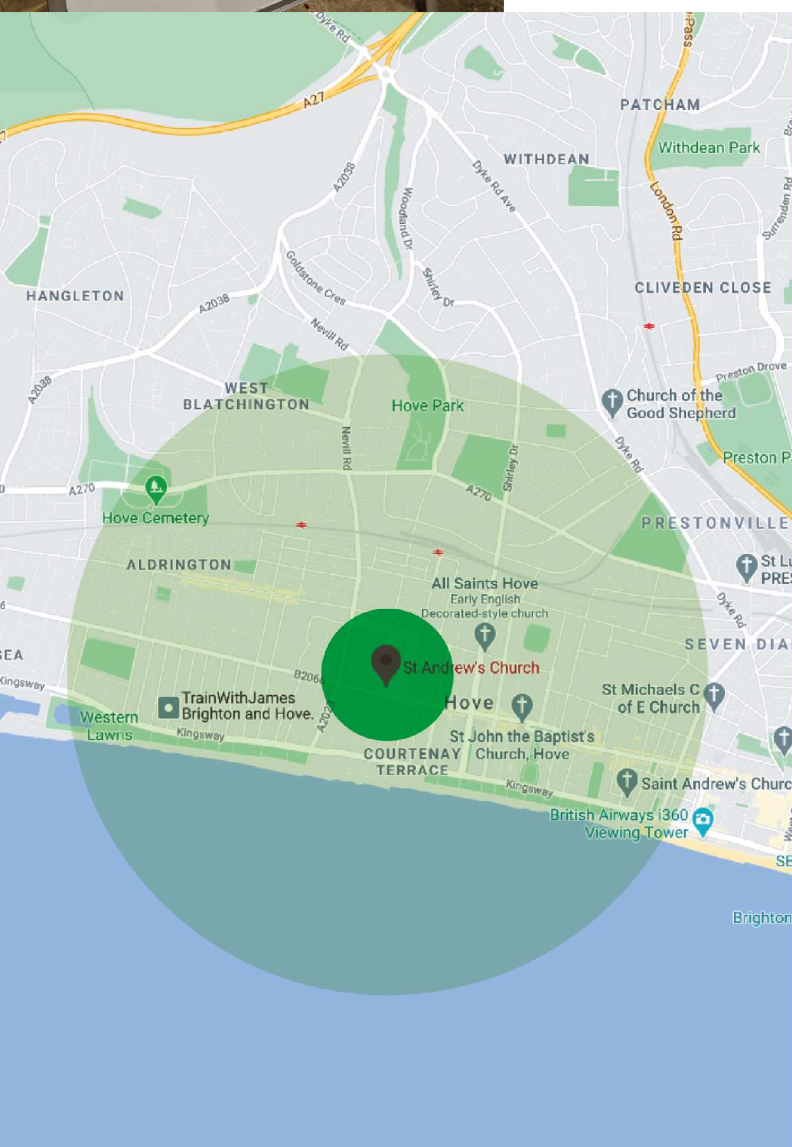


OUR VISION

At St. Andrew's we want to...

Love GOD & Love HOVE
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...to see our world transformed
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Serving our community

"I'll be eternally grateful for the amazing new start the Churches Night Shelter gave me. I want to start volunteering to give something back."

"I came into St. Andrew's when I was at my lowest. I planned to go and drink straight afterwards but I prayed with someone and God gave me strength. I've been sober for 10 years."

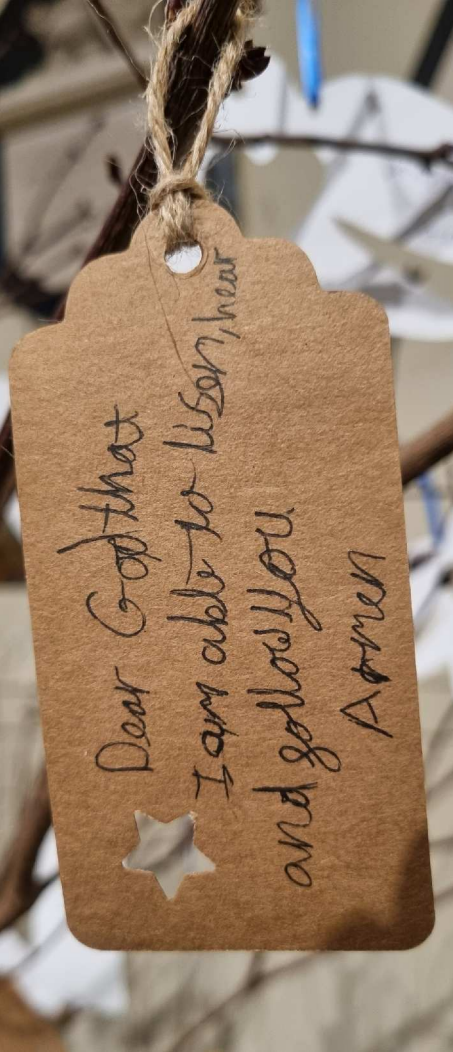
"I love sitting in the peaceful building. I bring my baby daughter and we just sit. I think God's there too!"

The church is open weekly for people to come in and reflect, Teddy Andrews Toddler group, Meals rota, Homeless Nightshelter, Food bank, Home & Care visits, Community fundraising events, Refugees donations, Reflective churchyard

Jesus replied: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbour as yourself.' All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments." – **Matthew 22:37-40**

MINISTRY

JUST SOME OF WHAT HAS BEEN HAPPENING...



PCC VISION & MISSION DAY

Every parish in the Diocese was asked to complete a Mission Action Plan (MAP). Our PCC spent a great day away praying about, discussing and forming our MAP and how it helps us to realise our vision to Love God & Love Hove. We also managed to visit a pub for lunch (for team building!)



THE DRAGON & THE LAMB

In September we held an exhibition about the book of Revelation paired with a series of sermons and talks from various guest speakers. The videos are available online!



DIOCESAN MAY YOUTH CAMP

We took a 9 young people from our youth group along to the Diocesan May Camp for the first time in 20 years. It was an amazing and exhausting long weekend with all sorts of activities, seminars, teaching and worship. It was humbling to see hundreds of young people who are fired up by their faith helping and encouraging each other in living for God.

CHRISTMAS & EASTER

During our Christmas services we focussed on the angel's love song from God to us and Easter saw us investigating a crime scene...had the body been stolen or did something miraculous happen?!



CONFIRMATION

St. Andrew's hosted the Deanery Confirmation service this year and we saw 25 candidates confirmed by Bishop Will, 7 of whom were young people from our church.



We had some great youth confirmation prep sessions, joining up with St. Peter's Church, West Blatchington for teaching, games and bible study. It was a privilege to watch the young people explore and grow in their faith. Pray that God will use them to do great things!

SUPPORT FOR UKRAINE

St. Andrew's were able to support Ukraine in various ways from collecting to running a Saturday morning hub to hosting families. We also looked at how & why both countries celebrate Christmas.





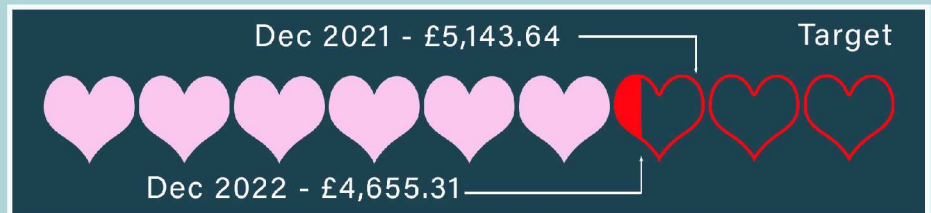
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Church Family Giving

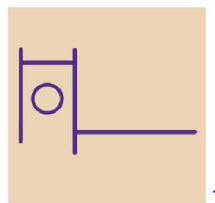
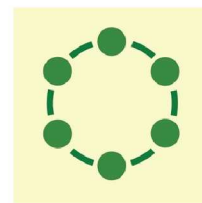
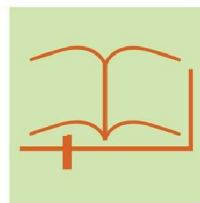
Parish Giving Scheme (PGS) donations



As a church family PGS is by far the best way we can support our ministry and give money back to God. To start your giving by PGS or to change the amount please visit: standreshove.org/giving or call the Parish Office

**EACH SHOULD GIVE
WHAT THEY HAVE
DECIDED IN THEIR
HEART TO GIVE,
NOT RELUCTANTLY
OR UNDER COMPULSION,
FOR GOD LOVES
A CHEERFUL GIVER**

2 CORINTHIANS 9:7



PARISH GIVING SCHEME™

The cost of living crisis has affected everyone, and this has impacted our PGS giving this year. However, the **whole church family** of St. Andrew's are still working together so that we can **love God & love Hove** like Jesus and overall our Giving & Vision focus 2020 - 2023 has seen an increase in giving year on year.

THANK YOU!

PRAISE GOD

This year we have seen incredible generosity, particularly in some one-off gifts which are helping us to realise our vision for the church buildings (see pages 7-10)

To start or change your giving just visit our website - www.standreshove.org/giving and choose the option for the Parish Giving Scheme

LOVING
GOD
LOVING
HOVE

...with the buildings
we've been given



Our vision for our buildings is:

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To ensure that the resources we've been blessed with are maximised to enable us to Love God & Love Hove like Jesus and to see our world transformed for the better

Our plan has been moving forward this year and the PCC have worked



Respecting & enhancing the heritage of our buildings and land we will...

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Better facilitate worship and church activities

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Create flexible, welcoming space for ministry in the community

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Ensure ecological sustainability

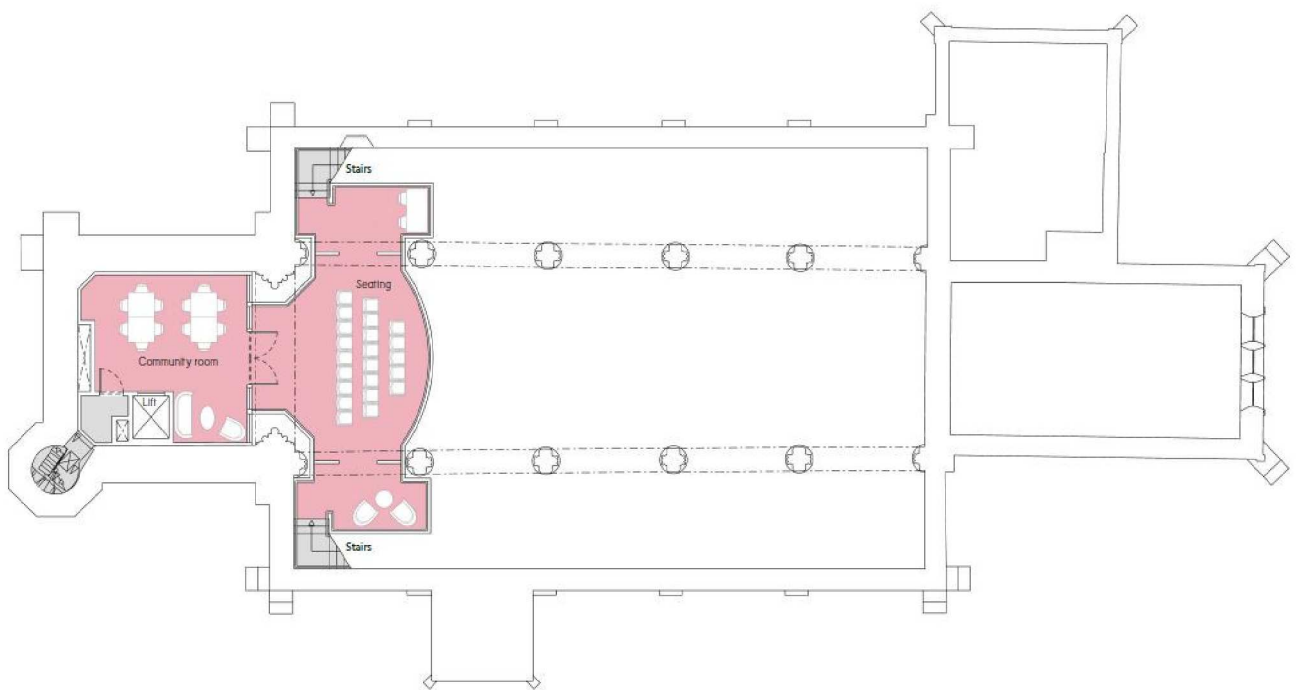
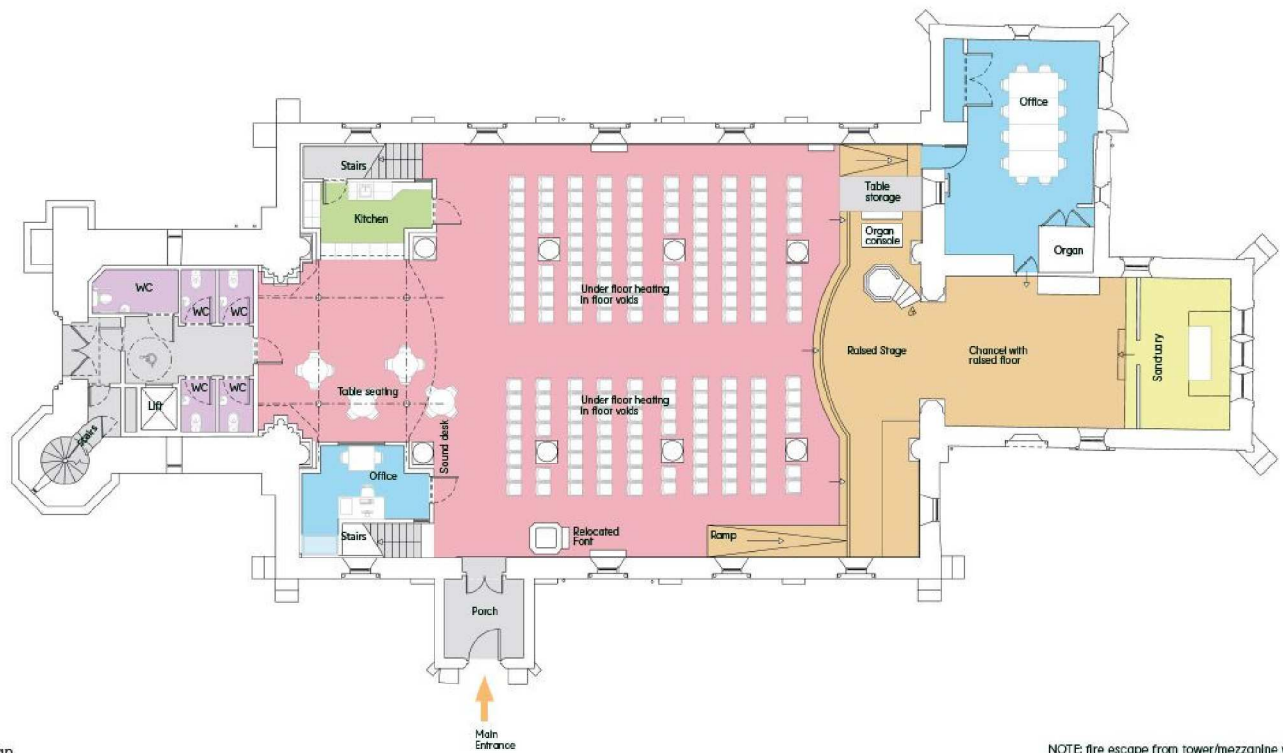
together with our appointed architects to...

- **Write a brief**
- **Survey the buildings**
- **Consult with stakeholders**
- **Evaluate proposals**
- **and agree the designs!**



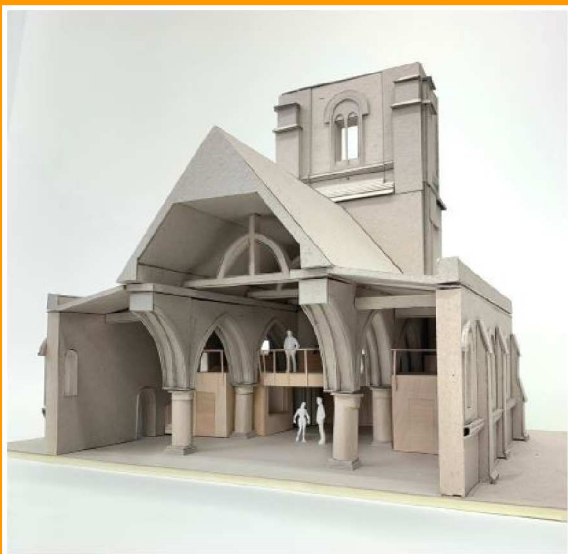
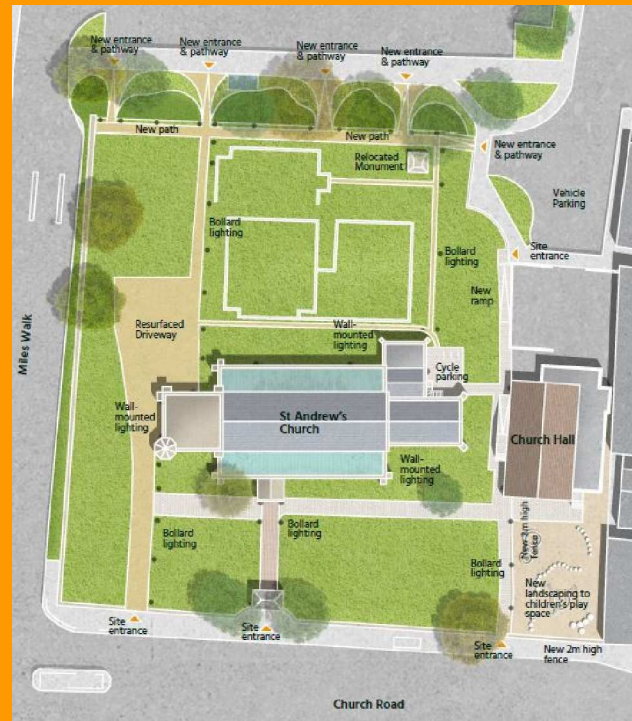
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...to exciting 10
drawings and models..



...what comes next?

- Fundraising
- Detailed design & permissions
- Selecting contractors
- and LOTS of prayer from us as a church family!





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