



Doing Church Differently

SHILOH COMMUNITY CHURCH

Transforming Communities
Through Faith and Service

You can watch the Video on our [YouTube Channel Here](#)

OVERVIEW

Shiloh Community Church in Guernsey has transitioned from a traditional Sunday-focused model to a community-driven mission, offering a food bank, clothing bank, mental health support, and cafés to serve those in need.

Led by Christy Salmon, the church has adapted its worship and outreach to break barriers, build relationships, and transform lives through faith and practical support.

OPENING PRAYER

Lord God, we thank You for the opportunity to be Your hands and feet in this world. Teach us how to serve, love, and reach those in need, just as Jesus did. Open our hearts to the ways You are calling us to transform our communities. Amen."

GOD'S HEART FOR THE LEAST AND THE LOST

Matthew 25:35-40:

"For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me."

- In what ways does this passage reflect the mission of Shiloh Community Church?
- How can we, as a church and individuals, practically live out Jesus' call to care for the hungry, the lonely, and those in need?
- Are there specific groups of people in our community who feel forgotten? How can we reach out to them?

GOING DEEPER

Moving Beyond Sunday – A Church for Every Day: Acts 2:42-47

- The early Church was deeply involved in daily community life—how does this compare to Shiloh's shift from a Sunday-focused church to a seven-day-a-week ministry?
- What are some practical ways we can move beyond just Sunday services to engage with our community?
- What fears or challenges might hold us back from doing church differently? How can we overcome them?

Faith in Action – Serving as a Witness to Christ: James 2:14-17

- How does Shiloh's mission (food bank, clothing bank, community cafés) reflect this passage's teaching about faith in action?
- In what ways can serving others open doors for people to experience God's love and grace?
- What is one practical way you can put your faith into action this week?

Overcoming Challenges in Mission: Galatians 6:9

- Shiloh faced challenges—financial strain, emotional burdens, and changes that not everyone embraced. What are some of the biggest challenges churches and individuals face when stepping into new ways of ministry?
- How can we stay encouraged and motivated when serving in difficult situations?
- What role does prayer, community, and perseverance play in sustaining mission work?

Transformation and Testimonies – The Power of God’s Work: 2 Corinthians 5:17

- The video shared testimonies of people whose lives were changed through Shiloh’s ministry. Why do personal testimonies matter in building faith and encouraging mission work?
- How has God transformed your life or the life of someone you know through a church outreach or community project?
- How can we create spaces where people feel welcomed, loved, and open to encountering Jesus?

APPLICATION: LIVING OUT THE MISSION

- **Identify a Need:** Look around your community—where is there a gap that the church can help fill?
- **Serve in a New Way:** Commit to serving in a practical way this month (e.g., volunteering, giving, mentoring).
- **Share a Testimony:** Take time to share with someone how faith has transformed your life.

FIVE KEY QUESTIONS FOR THE CHURCH

How can we move beyond Sunday services to engage with our community throughout the week?

What are the most urgent needs in our local community, and how can we meet them?

How can we create a welcoming environment for people who may not feel comfortable in a traditional church setting?

How do we balance serving others with sustaining our church community?

What does success look like when we rethink church?

CLOSING PRAYER

Lord, thank You for showing us how to love, serve, and bring hope to those around us. Give us the courage to step out in faith, to listen to the needs of our community, and to be the Church beyond just Sundays. May our lives reflect Your love in action, and may we see lives transformed for Your glory. Amen.

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