LIVING FAITH Course

discovering more on your journey of faith

AUTUMN 2019

a discipleship course tailored for anyone wishing to learn more about Christianity or ideal preparation for theological and vocational training

- informative, enjoyable and accessible
- offers a depth of learning not available within parishes
- a flexible discipleship course, take as many modules as you wish
- small, tutor-led, two-hour sessions
- discussion format with individual study (two to three hours home study per week)
- choice of course venues around the Diocese
- all course materials and reader resources supplied
- optional written assignment opportunity

Live | Pray | Serve
Autumn 2019 course dates and venues

Isle of Wight
Venue - Ryde
Module 1, Prayer and Spirituality
7.30pm-9.30pm from Friday 20 September 2019

Portsmouth
Venue - Dolphin Pub, Old Portsmouth
Module 6, Challenging Choices - Christian Ethics
7pm-9pm from Wednesday 18 September 2019
Living Faith consists of six modules on the major practices, topics and themes of Christian belief. Each module takes around 10 weeks to complete with a half-term break. The full course comprises three modules per year for two years. Take as many modules as you wish but we encourage you to consider completing them all, beginning with Spirituality and Prayer. Here is a taste of what you can expect from each module:

Module 1 - Spirituality and Prayer
The first module explores various spiritual traditions and relates them to your practice of prayer in daily life.

Module 2 - Exploring the Bible - New Testament
Module 2 gives an overview of the formation and theology of the New Testament, and includes a study of the Gospels, Jesus as a teacher, signs of the Kingdom, an introduction to Paul and his first letter to the Corinthians.

Module 3 - Questions of Faith
Christian doctrine is about what Christians believe about God. This third module looks at what Christians believe and why.

Module 4 - Mission Shaped Church
This module considers the challenges that face the contemporary church in the light of previous church history.

Module 5 - Exploring the Bible - Old Testament
The fifth module gives an overview of the formation and theology of the Old Testament, along with specialist themes such as prophecy.

Module 6 - Challenging Choices - Christian Ethics
Ethics and living a good life in which we are constantly making decisions about right and wrong is a key theme in Christianity. This final unit of the course considers the way in which we make those decisions.

A study guide given at the beginning of each module contains work to be completed each week: reading and thinking, writing a sentence or two in a box, looking at pictures, maps etc. You should set aside two to three hours between tutorials to do this. During the tutorials, there will be a discussion of the work done at home. The tutor will also provide additional activities for the group.
The Living Faith course costs £15 per module payable at the beginning of each module. Simply complete the form below and return with your remittance (please make cheques payable to Portsmouth Diocesan Board of Finance) to Patricia Gray, Portsmouth Diocesan Board of Finance, First Floor, Peninsular House, Wharf Road, Portsmouth PO2 8HB.
To find out more, call Patricia Gray on 023 9289 9656 or MDM@portsmouth.anglican.org

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Course Venue (please circle)          Isle of Wight           Portsmouth

Your privacy is important to us, and we want to communicate with you in a way which has your consent, and which is in line with UK law on data protection. As a result of a change in UK law, we now need your consent to how we contact you. When registering to join the Living Faith course, please also complete and return the following by filling in the contact details you want us to use to communicate with you:

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By signing this form you are confirming that you are consenting to the Diocese of Portsmouth processing your personal data for the following purposes (please tick the boxes where you grant consent):-

☐ I consent to the Diocese of Portsmouth contacting me by ☐ phone or ☐ email.
☐ To keep me informed about news, events, activities and training provided by the Diocese of Portsmouth (note you can unsubscribe at any time);

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