

Saint Stephen's Anglican Church, Richmond  
Priority Areas 2024 – 2029

1. Worship
  - 1.1. Sunday, midweek and feast day Eucharists
  - 1.2. Weekly contemplative service
  - 1.3. Regular morning silent meditation
  - 1.4. Occasional community worship services
2. Christian formation
  - 2.1. Biblical, liturgical preaching
  - 2.2. Spiritual direction, quiet days and retreats
  - 2.3. Opportunities for corporate theological reflection and study
  - 2.4. Catechumenate: preparation for baptism, reaffirmation, confirmation
3. Pastoral care
  - 3.1. Ministry of presence with the sick and the dying
  - 3.2. Visiting and home communion
  - 3.3. Caring for each other
  - 3.4. Monthly aged care service
4. Compassionate engagement
  - 4.1. Community garden and Richmond Churches Food Centre
  - 4.2. Get Out For Good partnership with Anglicare
  - 4.3. St Thomas' Family Education Trust projects
  - 4.4. Community relationships and partnerships
5. Holy Uselessness
  - 5.1. Beautiful sacred space
  - 5.2. Open church building where possible
  - 5.3. Affordable, professional classical recitals
  - 5.4. Welcoming, fun social events
6. Ethos
  - 6.1. Contemplative disposition
  - 6.2. Theologically reflective
  - 6.3. Open to diversity
  - 6.4. Collaborative discernment
7. Enabling Structures
  - 7.1. Staff: clergy, musicians, Trust projects worker, bookkeeper, administrator
  - 7.2. Volunteer lay leadership and governance
  - 7.3. Income (giving, property, trust) and (proactively maintained) infrastructure
  - 7.4. Communications: website, eNewsletter, bulletin, signage, social media