

The Church of the Holy Trinity



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Dear friend in Christ.

I do hope you are enjoying this joyful season of Easter. Alleluia, Christ is risen!

I am writing to you today to make you aware of a problem currently facing the Church of Holy Trinity and to ask if you can help. The attached information sheet outlines the difficulty. The church is facing a challenging financial situation. Costs are rising, but our income is declining. It is becoming more and more difficult to meet our expenses.

If you already give financially to our church – THANK YOU! This is very much appreciated.

There are three things I ask of you:

First of all, please don't feel offended. I would not be doing justice to you or our church if I did not share this with you and give you the opportunity to respond. This challenge belongs to all of us.

Secondly – I would ask you to pray about it. Ask God to guide you in your response. Keep your mind open to his answer.

Thirdly – I am asking you to act as God calls you to act. There are many ways you can give to the church, and these are on the attached information sheet. Look at what you already give. I know that I have not revised my standing order since I came here, so I too need to make a change.

In church, we don't like talking about money, but the financial health of the church is a problem we all share. We cannot leave the PCC to worry about these things – it is something we need to face together as a church family.

Thank you for reading this letter and the information attached. If you are content with your current giving, then you need take no further action, but please continue to pray about this. If you feel that you would like to make a change, all the information you need is in the attached information. If you would like to discuss this, please do not hesitate to contact me.

With best wishes

Reverend Carol Ball

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