

Pastoral Care

General

SAPLC has a team involved in and committed to developing pastoral care, with staff and many others reaching out and offering care to both church members and the local community.

Our weekly café, the Tuesday Café, continues to meet in Shirley House. The focus of the café has changed from being exclusively for people with memory problems and dementia, to include older people living alone. This has been met with success and the café is now attended by people both with and without obvious signs of dementia, from Southcroft and from the wider community. The Knit and Natter Group continues to meet in Shirley House.

Clergy and members of the congregation continue to provide voluntary support at MHA Southcroft Retirement Living with Care which is situated next to the church. Holy Communion is offered on a monthly basis at Twelve Trees Residential Home and Prior Bank, and is also available to be taken to house-bound members of the congregation. We are also developing a link with Seven Hills Nursing Home.

Church Links

Church Links leaders have continued to maintain contact with their group members and we meet twice a year to allocate new members and friends to Links Groups. The role of Links leaders has been discussed and all Links leaders have completed Safeguarding training and have a valid DBS. Methodist Membership tickets were distributed in January.

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