

Worship Review Feedback

Creative Communion - (23rd July 2023)

How would you rate this service overall?

Average = 8

- 10 (5)
- 9 (3)
- 8 (1)
- 5 (2)
- 1 (1)

What did you like?

- I liked the wraps for Communion
- Table talk – opportunity to mix with people I don't normally interact with. Enjoyed all gathering together at the altar at the same time, quite moving!
- All going up as a church family for Communion together
- The discussion around the table – there was a great deal of sharing
- Communion around the altar
- The hymns and traditions
- The activity to discuss ideas. The shared Communion at the altar. The washing of hands.
- Interactive, inclusive
- The service was different
- Two excellent hymns
- The hymns
- Discussions in the hall very productive and food was a bonus

Is there anything you disliked?

- The hymns
- I found the coming and going made it difficult to get into the right frame of mind for worship
- No
- It was undignified
- Most of the rest of the service

How could it be improved?

- Table leaders on the discussion tables to promote discussion
- I note that a couple of items were omitted, probably due to time pressure – so perhaps just a little too much in there to begin with.
- Good to discuss at tables, but not enough time.
- Possibly change the order of handwashing and the peace.
- Have more people
- Make it calmer and not so much moving around
- If this type of service is every month I think it will improve naturally as parishioners become more involved.

How frequently would you attend this type of service?

- Weekly (2)
- **Monthly (5)**
- Quarterly (4)
- Never (2)

If today was the first time you visited St John's, would you come back?

- Yes (2)
- No (0)
- Maybe (2)
- N/A (3)

Why?

- Interesting service. Encouraged me to think about worship in a different way.
- Church services need to be uplifting

Other comments

- Great service – more of this!
- It was a change
- Overall – yes, enjoyed the service!
- Lots of content – handwashing, discussion, different Communion. Could be spread out over 2 alternative services. Enjoyed talking to different people at tables.
- People respond to positive things not dumbing down
- Good to have the historical link

- Time in hall for discussion on questions and for food insufficient
- I felt the service was (1) too disjointed; (2) too much moving about; (3) hard to concentrate; (4) didn't get much benefit from it. I like the overall atmosphere to be calming and meaningful in a service. I really did not enjoy this format at all. The taking of Communion is a personal thing to me and I found that part crowded and impersonal.
- Being a choir member I enjoyed singing during eucharist. Thought all around the altar table was very welcoming.