

## OUR FIVE YEAR VISION 2011 - 2016

*We believe that St John's and St Luke's are called to be places and communities which help people connect with God in prayer and worship, and where the good news of God's love is witnessed in action.*

*We further believe that over the next five years our churches are called to grow numerically, grow in their level of activities and grow in their depth of discipleship; and that our buildings are to be resources well used by the community at large, witnessing to the presence of the living God in the heart of the city and in the midst of human life, in all its variety and complexity, in all its joys and sorrows.*

## OUR GROWTH ACTION PLAN MARCH 2011 - MARCH 2012

### **OPEN THE DOORS OF OUR CHURCHES**

Patronal & Heritage Festival Dedication and launch of new facilities  
Working Party to produce report for PCC on comparable churches, volunteer availability and viability of employing staff (e.g. intern, the unemployed)  
Community Interest Company to promote wider use of building City Centre  
Chaplain to use St John's as base on Thursdays  
PC3N to use St John's as base for prayer on Mondays  
Develop music links with schools for lunchtime church concerts

### **DEEPEN OUR CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP**

Lent & Easter Groups to generate house groups by the autumn  
Training in welcoming & integration and relationship building  
Teaching on discipleship & encouragement of vocations, particularly to reader ministry  
Devise fresh Stepping Stones to Faith, e.g. *Messy Church*

### **DIVERSIFY OUR WORSHIP**

*Souper Thursdays* - experiment with mid-day soup and prayers as first step towards more frequent and greater variety of services at St John's  
Continue to explore wider Anglican and ecumenical possibilities for sharing resources  
*Hosting the World* - relaunch viable worship pattern at St Luke's

### **ENGAGE MORE WITH YOUNG PEOPLE**

Relaunch *Sunday People* at St John's with new team & link with ecumenical children's activities  
Host ecumenical youth work (e.g. the *Inspirations Studio*) and worship at St John's

### **REVIEW OUR GROWTH ACTION PLAN**

Quarterly Growth Action Plan updates at June, September and January PCC meetings, full review and forward planning to 2013 in March 2012