

Unit 2.5: The Church

Why is the church a special place for Christians?

Christian Concepts

God – Creation – Fall – PEOPLE OF GOD – Incarnation – GOSPEL – Salvation – KINGDOM OF GOD

In this unit pupils will discover the connection between the holy places of the Old Testament (PEOPLE OF GOD) and the building of places of worship. They will make links between the church building and the GOSPEL, beginning to understand that the church is a body of people.

The aim of this unit is to:

- give pupils an understanding of 'church' as a holy place and a body of people.
- begin developing in pupils an understanding of what happens in church and why.
- give pupils an opportunity to begin exploring places of worship across world faiths.

Christian Values	Key Skills
Faith, Respect, Reverence	Reflect, Investigate, Apply
Key Questions	Key Experiences
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• What makes a place special? Where is your special place?• What makes a place holy/sacred?• What do you think makes a Church a special place?• Why is the church a holy place for Christians?• Why/when do people go to Church? What happens in the Church?• Why do people of faith have special buildings where they gather to worship?	<p>Answering the key questions.</p> <p>To make visits to a church/Mosque/ Temple/Synagogue.</p> <p>An opportunity to sense the atmosphere of a special holy place.</p>
Key Vocabulary	World Faith Link
church, vicar, minister, pews, font, altar, stained glass, worship, holy, sacred, Mosque, Minaret tower, Temple, Synagogue, Ark, Gurdwara, and Langar.	<p>Why are holy buildings important to people of faith?</p> <p>Hinduism Islam Judaism</p>