

# PCC Summary Report

## March 2010

The Parochial (Parish) Church Council meets every two months, and below is a brief report on the most interesting bits from our recent meeting. If you have views on anything we discuss, or on what we should discuss, please speak to any of the PCC members. Anyone who is on the church electoral roll can stand for election to the PCC, which happens at the annual meeting on 21st April.

### **PCC meeting 25th March 2010**

**Bible reading and Prayer:** Steve read to us from Matthew 5 that followers of Jesus are to be salt and light, and we prayed throughout the meeting that our manner and our decisions would be honouring to Christ.

**Group report: Wednesday Forum.** Each meeting a representative from a group in the church reports to us. This month Colin Lown told us that Wednesday Forum has run successfully for five years, with monthly talks by a wide range of people. However, Peter and Evelyn Snelson and Colin and Joan Lown will step down this summer from running the Forum, and there is no clear replacement yet.

**Ministers report:** Passion for Life saw hard work and encouragement; about 3,500 people went to Tim Keller's talks, which are well worth watching on the website if you missed them. Fitness Plus, an exercise class and lunch initiative for over 50s, will be starting soon, and people are having other new outreach ideas. Steve asked us to pray for St Barnabas and St Andrew the Great churches, soon to have changes in leadership. He showed us an open letter about women bishops that, after we did not object, he will add his signature to.

**Vision for Small Groups:** Every meeting we have a discussion topic, and this month we looked at a vision for the church growing to maturity and the role of small groups, which is also under discussion by small group leaders.

**APCM:** We discussed and approved a budget and reports to be presented to the church at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting on the 21st of April. Do come along if you can as it is a key event for communication, prayer and decision making, as well as a now traditional light-hearted review of the year.

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