

KS1 Unit 7, Lesson 4 : Church Building

Context: In this lesson pupils will be introduced to the role of the church building in Christian life and worship.

Overview:

- Look at the Church building and worship in the Christian Church. What do these things say about what is important to Christians?

Essential core:

- Recall what happens in both Infant Baptism and Believers' Baptism. Water is used. The person baptising usually says "I baptise you in the name of the Father, and the son, and the Holy spirit." The person is welcomed into the Christian Church.
- Understand that baptism shows that a person is entering the Christian Church.
- Know that "church" means the Christian community – not the building. The word "church" is often used to mean church building but it really means the Christian community.
- Know that the Christian Holy book is called the Bible, and that it is divided into two parts – Old Testament and New Testament. That Christians read the Bible regularly in Church and at home because they believe that it is God's words to them.

Resources: <http://request.org.uk/restart/2014/12/30/inside-a-church/>
<http://request.org.uk/restart/2015/01/12/tour-of-a-church/>
<http://request.org.uk/restart/2015/01/21/the-bible-3/>
<http://request.org.uk/restart/2015/12/08/an-introduction-to-the-bible/>

Vocabulary: Altar, font, pulpit, lectern.

INTRODUCTION

Today Ruth has brought a Good News (or other) Children's Bible. When she goes to Church she enjoys learning about what the Bible says - there are lots of stories. Why is this so important to Christians?

CELEBRATE:

Look inside an Anglican church building - interactive - <http://request.org.uk/restart/2014/12/30/inside-a-church/>

Visit a church building with Jack the puppet <http://request.org.uk/restart/2015/01/12/tour-of-a-church/>
This is a series of five short videos With Rev. Liz and Jack the puppet looking at the font, pulpit, communion, graveyard and colours of the church year.

You may wish to reinforce pupils understanding using the attached printable sheet "Inside an Anglican Church building." You may then wish to go on to look at a baptism, or what happens here on a Sunday - how are these different things used.

REFLECT:

You may also wish to go on to reflect on why reading the Bible is important to Christians.

Jack the puppet introduces the Bible <http://request.org.uk/restart/2015/01/21/the-bible-3/>

Introduction to the Bible <http://request.org.uk/restart/2015/12/08/an-introduction-to-the-bible/>

PLENARY / FORMATIVE ASSESSMENT:

What seems to be important to the Christians who use this building?