

# Welcome



# WELCOME TO NORTHGATE CHURCH

We're glad you have chosen to find out more about Northgate Church.

We are a family-friendly church in the heart of Chester.

We seek to be a place for all people to encounter and engage with God, a place of care and community and a place of commitment to grow as followers of Jesus.

We want to offer you a warm welcome as well as an invitation to join us wherever you are on your journey of faith.



Gerald & Lin Sidery, Lead Pastors

# MISSION, VISION AND VALUES

## Building a Culture of:

- Honour and Respect
- Humility
- Love and Grace
- Inclusivity and Belonging
- Accountability
- Individual Responsibility
- Generosity
- Servant Leadership
- Fun!



At Northgate Church, we love Jesus Christ. We are also especially passionate about worship, the Bible, families and engaging with our local area. Our values can be summed up in this passage from Colossians 3:

*'Since God chose you to be the holy people he loves, you must clothe yourselves with tenderhearted mercy, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Make allowance for each other's faults, and forgive anyone who offends you. Remember, the Lord forgave you, so you must forgive others. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds us all together in perfect harmony. And let the peace that comes from Christ rule in your hearts. For as members of one body you are called to live in peace. And always be thankful.'*

**COLOSSIANS 3:12-15**



# SUNDAYS AT NORTHGATE

We operate a dynamic approach to our Sunday meetings, that allows for the complexities of modern life but still provides an opportunity for weekly face-to-face interaction. We offer a variety of expressions of worship for all ages.



**WEEKS 1 & 3**

**10.30AM SERVICE**

**WEEK 2**

**7PM SERVICE**

**WEEK 4**

**10.30AM BIBLE STUDY /  
4PM LITTLE CHURCH**

**WEEK 5**

**10.30AM SERVICE**

Take a look through the following cards for more information about each week. We can't wait for you to join us!



# FIRST & THIRD SUNDAYS:

'YELLOW WEEKS' | 10.30AM

On the first & third Sundays of the month, we meet on-site for worship, teaching & discussion, prayer and fellowship in a relaxed 'Café-style' setting. We also meet in this way when there is a fifth Sunday.



A full children's programme / Sunday School also runs in our fabulous kids' rooms! All children who attend are welcome to join in with the groups to learn more about Jesus, and enjoy spending with with each other.

# SECOND SUNDAYS:

## 'BLUE WEEKS' | 7PM

Our services on the second Sunday of the month take the form of an evening service, where our focus will turn to an extended time of Spirit-led worship and a time to rest in God's presence.



This will be informal and create space for expression in all forms of worship (including art, movement and creative writing).

The aim is that as an evening service, this will free up Sunday daytime for family, friends, relationship building, hobbies etc.

# FOURTH SUNDAYS:

'PURPLE WEEKS' | 10.30AM / 4PM



On the fourth Sunday at 10.30am we hold an informal discussion where we dive deeper into a small portion of scripture. This is followed by discussion, questions and reflection to drill down and thrash out what the Word is saying and how we live this out as radical disciples of Jesus.

At 4pm we run 'Little Church', where our children can learn in a fun-filled environment that also functions as an opportunity to engage with our local community.

All ages are invited. Featuring worship, teaching, games, and food for the kids!





# FIFTH SUNDAYS:

## 'GREEN WEEKS' | 10.30AM

They're rare, but when they come along, Week 5 is our 'Green Week!' Every so often there are five Sundays in the month. Here we will meet for a specially themed morning service at 10:30am.



These services are all-age services with no scheduled childrens' groups. Often we incorporate creative aspects into these services, including artwork and bread making... we love the creativity that is wrapped up in Northgate's community and it's such a joy to see it come to life during these weeks!

# CHILDREN AT NORTHGATE

We believe that children are an integral part of the church not just for tomorrow, but for today. Jesus calls children to him as they are. We want our children to experience the love of God and to understand what their Heavenly Father has in store for them.

Don't worry if your children are a little noisy in our services, we are a family and families are noisy!



In our morning services at around 11am, our children go out to their own age-appropriate groups. They will learn a story from the Bible, play games, have a snack and enjoy spending time with each other.

On 'Purple Weeks' we host Little Church, which is especially aimed at children and families. For more information, email:

**[jennienorthgate.org.uk](mailto:jennienorthgate.org.uk)**

# GETTING CONNECTED: LIFE GROUPS

We believe that church is not just about Sunday mornings, rather it is a community of people worshipping Jesus 24-7. To help build this community, we have several 'Life Groups' that meet in homes throughout the week. These groups meet to socialise, study the Bible, pray, worship and support one another and can be places where deep friendships are made. We encourage every member of the church to be part of a Life Group.



If you would like to find out more,  
please grab someone after the  
meeting on a Sunday and we'll  
introduce you to our small group  
co-ordinators: Frank & Lynne.

Alternatively you can email the  
church office:  
[church@northgate.org.uk](mailto:church@northgate.org.uk)



# STUDENTS AT NORTHGATE

We love Students! Many of our congregation and Leadership Team came to Chester because of the University.

We love and support the University's Christian Union and regularly contribute to their weekly meetings.



Many of our lovely families would love to invite you over for some food and welcome you to our beautiful city.

Would you like to get connected? Speak to one of our Leadership Team or email **[joe@northgate.org.uk](mailto:joe@northgate.org.uk)**

# ACTIVITIES AT NORTHGATE



Northgate has a football team that plays in a local Saturday morning league and trains on a Thursday evening. For more information, speak to Jonny Clark or email him at **[jonathan.d.clarke@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:jonathan.d.clarke@hotmail.co.uk)**

We hold regular prayer meetings throughout the week. Email **[linenorthgate.org.uk](mailto:linenorthgate.org.uk)** for more information.

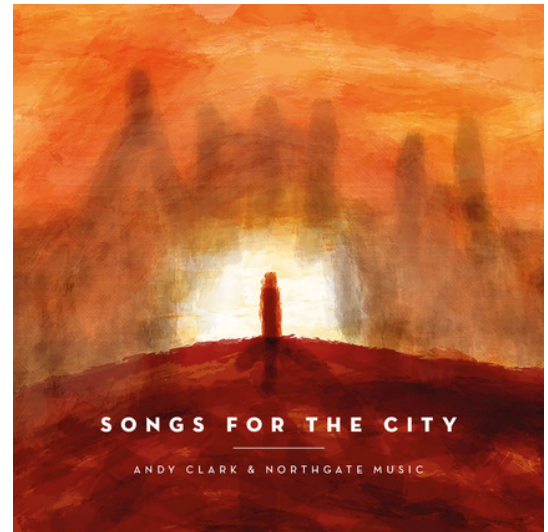


Our worship team meet most Thursday nights to worship and prepare for our Sunday services. If you are interested in getting involved, email Andy for more information: **[andy@northgate.org.uk](mailto:andy@northgate.org.uk)**

# NORTHGATE MUSIC

Worship is a large part of our identity at Northgate. We often sing homegrown songs, written by members of our worship team.

In 2018 we recorded and released an EP of these songs which is available in CD form, or to download and stream from all the usual places. Search 'Andy Clark & Northgate Music' on your favourite platform.



Scan the QR code to  
get streaming links  
directly from your  
phone!





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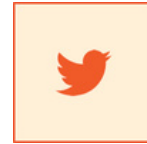
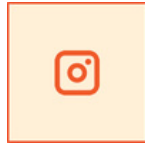
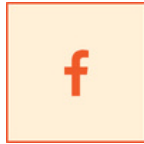
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# KEEP IN TOUCH

To keep up to date with what's going on in the life of the church, keep an eye on our social media pages:



**@northgatechurchchester**

**@churchnorthgate**

Or scan the QR code for all of our online links!



To speak to a member of the team:

call **01244 394670**

email **church@northgate.org.uk**

Or check out our website: **www.northgate.org.uk**