Unlocking our Churches

Help with Opening the Doors

From 4th July, church buildings can reopen for gathered worship again, albeit with restrictions, and many have already reopened for individual prayer.

'Opening the Doors' from the National Church is about generating resources for churches as their buildings reopen to the public.

The aim is to equip churches to engage people beyond their own congregations, recognising that many will have accessed worship online or may have reflected on big or spiritual questions during lockdown.

The resources are flexible and customisable to local context. Primarily they are invitational, providing a logo, posters, invitations, a video, largely delivered digitally but with the option of hard copy available through the A Church Near You Resource Hub and The Church Print Hub.

There are liturgical resources delivered by the Liturgical Commission, with some supplemental ideas generated by a team of pioneers and Fresh Expression practitioners. As with the guidance on reopening churches, the aim is not to put pressure on any priest or parish to reopen at a certain time but to provide help for when it is right to do – permissive not prescriptive.

Click here for more information.