

Christ Church Brittany welcome statement

This is a response to a false Internet statement, which appeared in May 2019 from an individual from Paris who claims he is being banned from attending worship at Christ Church because he is an active homosexual.

It is the longstanding policy of Christ Church that all people are welcome to attend any of our services. We do not discriminate in any way because of a person's sexual orientation. All are welcome to join us in our loving community at any of our congregations.

"Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God." Romans 15:7

We offer the same warm welcome to all visitors and are happy to have them join us in the joy of the Lord's presence and in the sharing of his word and spirit.

It is simply not true that we have banned anyone from coming to our worship. This false accusation is hurtful and part of a pattern of troubling behaviour. Our services and activities are now and always have been open to people of any race, age, gender, nationality, political views or sexual orientation. This radical welcome is part of our core belief as Christians and is fully in line with Church of England policy.

"For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me." Matthew 25:35-36

This person has been informed of this policy many times and has been personally invited to worship several times. There is an outstanding safeguarding issue with this individual, which he has made difficult to resolve.

Please keep our loving community and this individual in your prayers.

Signed

Wardens and Chaplain of CCB Monday 05/27/19