

HELD TOGETHER IN THE LOVE OF CHRIST

Pastoral Principles for living well together



Using the Pastoral Principles in your church

There are 6 cards.
Why not use them...

- as a means for reflecting on your church's life together at your PCC meetings?
- on a parish weekend or a PCC away day?
- as part of a training session for people involved in pastoral care in your church?
- as a series of small group studies over several weeks?
- as a resource for teaching and preaching?

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The quality of our relationships is hindered by six pervading evils. You are invited to consider whether these are at work in your church community and how your church might ...

acknowledge

PREJUDICE

cast out

FEAR

speak into

SILENCE

admit

HYPOCRISY

address

IGNORANCE

pay attention to

POWER

Acting on these evils – which are applicable to all people – could be transformative for your church community and for the church as a whole. Together our church communities are called to LOVE:

Listen attentively and openly

Open your heart and mind without judgmentalism

Value everyone's vulnerability and perspective

Express concern and empathy.