

St Ursula's Church, Berne 2016 Questionnaire

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The Questionnaire

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1. Purpose

- To find out more about the congregation members
- To help Council draw a truthful portrait of our Church
- To help Council outline the profile of our new chaplain

2. Structure

- Two main parts

- *About You*

- Age, gender, country of origin, church background, etc.

- *About St Ursula's*

- Reasons of coming to St Ursula's, Reasons for Worshipping at St Ursula's, and Suggestions for the future

3. Results

- 60 persons filled in the questionnaire (either online or in paper form): more than 50% of 116 registered members!

Age

60= N

Age	Number of persons
20-44	5
45-55	5
56-65	19
65+	24
Not mentioned	7

Gender
60= N

Gender	Number of persons
Female	40
Male	20

Country of Origin

60= N

Country of origin	Number of persons	Country of origin	Number of persons
GB	22	Italy	1
CH	10	Korea	1
USA	5	Burma	1
Germany	4	France	1
New Zealand	3	Zambia	1
Australia	2	Not mentioned	1
India	2		
Nigeria	2		
South Africa	2		
The Netherlands	1		

Church Background

60= N

Church Background	Number of persons	Church Background	Number of persons
CoE/Anglican	23		
Church of Scotland	1	Mar Thoma Syrian Church	2
Presbyterian	4	More than one Church	3
Protestant	3	None before joining St Ursula's	1
Reformed	4	Not mentioned	5
Free Church	2		
Methodist	2		
Baptist	2		
Christian	1		
Roman Catholic	7		

Membership duration

60= N

Number of years	Number of persons
0-2	3
3-5	6
6-10	3
11-20	13
21 +	30
Not mentioned	5

Reasons for coming to, and staying at St Ursula's

(more than a one answer possible)

Reasons for coming	Number of persons	Reasons for staying	Number of persons
English-speaking	20	Style of worship	58
Anglican	8	Preaching/ teaching	40
Sunday school	7	Community/ Friendship	14
Friends	3	Choir and music	6
Sunday Service/ Sunday servive	3	To serve God	2
English spouse	2	Summer fête, book sales	2
Renew my faith	1	Contact across achdeaconry	1
Coïncidence	1		
Cannot remember	1		

Suggestions for the future

Suggestions	Number of persons	Suggestions	Number of persons
No radical changes	12	None	3
Updated worship and more varied music	8	More evangelical	3
More bible study/Christian education	8	More house group	2
More ties with CH churches	4	Worship not traditional enough	2
More children/youth work	3	More use of BCP and King James Bible	1
More Low Church	3	More hugging and joy	1

4. Conclusions

Most members are very content with St Ursula's, in particular its **openness to a variety of Christian denominations** and cultural backgrounds

Let us continue cultivating this essential aspect of our identity and strength in our liturgy, worship etc

More Fellowship and Friendship within and beyond our congregation

More Christian education and bible study

Thank you for your participation!