Welcome to our new Family Children and Youth Workers

Kate Smyth and Katie Harrison





We are very pleased to announce that we have appointed two lovely people to help lead forward all we are doing with families with parents, children and young people.

'Kate and Katie' will be working as a team alongside our existing wonderful leaders to grow and develop all we are doing. Katie will be focusing on St Peter's and in Bishop's Waltham, especially families with younger children, whilst Kate especially families with older children and youth. Kate will look after families at Blessed Mary and in Upham.

We are currently in interesting times, but both now and looking forwards, there are many opportunities to be connecting with families, growing in friendship and nurturing them along 'The Way' of following Jesus in the Christian life. Kate and Katie will be starting with us on 1st October with their first Sunday on 4th October when we can welcome them for the first time. In the coming weeks you will hear more about our vision and plans for the future!

Revd James, Robin Andersen, Claire Alcock and Colin Russell

Kate: "I am really looking forward to joining you at St Peter's and Blessed Mary very soon! I am married to Ian and we have two Children, Edward aged 16 and Ruby aged 13. I love working with families.....parents, children and young people. Bishop's Waltham and Upham are special Places and I am keen to get to know all of you at church and families to help them engage with the Christian faith, and come to know God in a personal



way. My husband and I enjoy family holidays in Cornwall and quality family time together.

Katie: "I am so excited to be joining the team here at St Peter's and Blessed Mary working with the families and children in our community. I have a young family myself and I hope to be able to provide fun opportunities for families and children to gather together in our community, growing in friendship and sharing life! I'd like to encourage families to become part of the life of the church and to inspire them in their faith journey wherever they may be along it. I have a husband Simon and two girls



Polly (who is 7) and Matilda (who is 4). In my spare time I enjoy reading, doing crafts, walking, and exploring new places.