Leadership

31st August 2025



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Biblical Leadership

Remember your leaders, those who spoke to you the word of God. Consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith (Hebrews 13:7).

The Lord said, "Who then is the faithful and wise manager [of the household], whom his master will set over his household, to give them their portion of food at the proper time?" (Luke 12:42).

A leader is someone who stewards their spiritual gifts to help people move from where they are to where God wants them to be.



Leadership at St Columba's

- Elders
- Deacons
- WPT
- City Group Leaders
- Campus Outreach staff
- Those identified to be discipled toward leadership



Who Should We Be?

- Gospel people
- Communing with Christ daily
- Givers, attenders, servants
- People seeking to grow
- People who love people



Leading in General

- Normally participating in the rhythms of church life i.e. being there.
- Inviting the unchurched into church and home
- Welcoming and Assimilating new faces
- Being discipled and discipling...



Leadership in General

 Leading ministries in the church: City Group, serving teams, needs, Gospel Partner...

 Caring for people in your geography with calls, visits, meals, discipleship

A problem solver and peace promoter



Welcoming New People

- Look for new faces, get to know them
- Invite them to take a "next step"
- → Invite to Meal or coffee or Sunday lunch
- → Introduce to ministry staff, others
- → Vision & Values card, Bulletin → new here: stcsfc.org/new
- → Explain ministry rhythms



Welcoming New People

Christian? Invite to City Group by <a href="style="style-type: style-type: st

 Unbeliever or unsure? Introduce to staff or invite to coffee, conversation, etc.

When settled, invite to serve: <u>stcsfc.org/serve</u>



Healthy City Groups

Intentional, never perfunctory

A living community more than a program

A mindset: God has given the people in our area to us



How New People Join

- Ask them to put their details in 'New Here' and introduce them to a staff member (<u>stcsfc.org/new</u>).
- 2. **Look for an email.** When you get an email about someone being added to your City Group, contact them quickly. Send a brief welcome message. Ask about adding them to the City Group WhatsApp. It's great if they get multiple messages from multiple leaders. Hold their hand into their first meeting. Shepherd them toward knowing people.



Running City Group

thegospelcoalition.org/course/what-is-the-gospel

Link to Study for 3rd September 2025:

<u>docs.google.com/document/d/1h1xC-VJOCcojbjnNLNkeBOYCj_kVbcrkDw8BiWpizB0/preview</u>

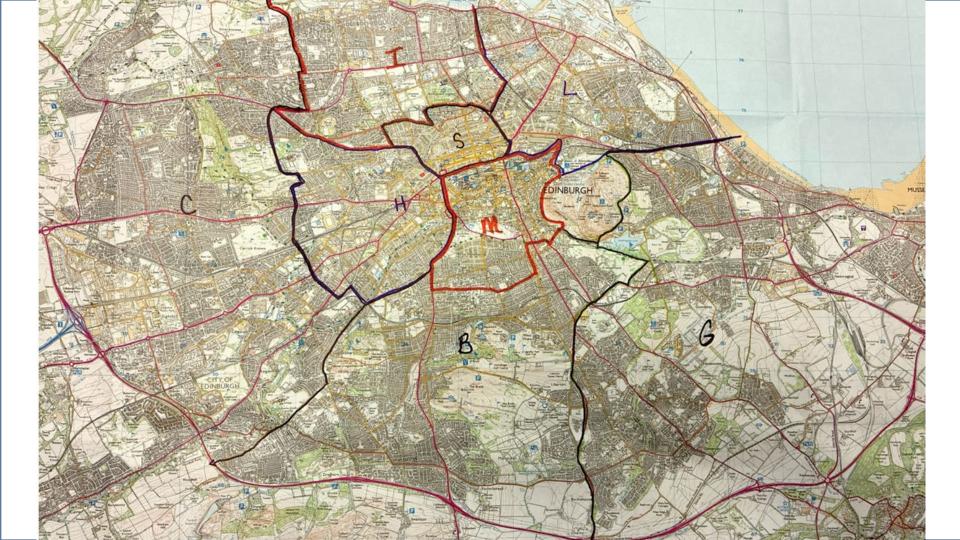


City Groups / Pastoral Areas

Map: stcsfc.org/city-groups-map-2025



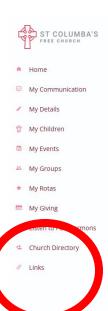




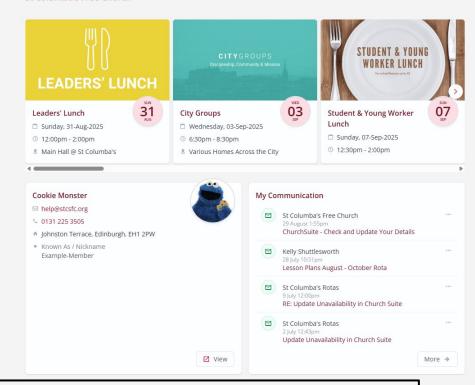
Pastoral Areas

- Updated regularly in ChurchSuite check and look out for emails from the Church Office about changes in your area
- Goal: Divide the people among leaders in your area and catch up with everyone every 60 days – Use phone calls and texts!
- If you need help with a pastoral problem, ask permission(if necessary), talk to area Elders, Deacons, WPT, and then Ministers, Staff, Needs if needed





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This Sunday
Pastoral Lists (coming soon

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Leaders' Lunch

- 🗂 Sunday, 31-Aug-2025
- © 12:00pm 2:00pm
- 8 Main Hall @ St Columba's

City Groups

- □ Wednesday, 03-Sep-2025
- © 6:30pm 8:30pm
- 8 Various Homes Across the City

Student & Young Worker Lunch

- 🖺 Sunday, 07-Sep-2025
- ① 12:30pm 2:00pm

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- help@stcsfc.org
- **0131 225 3505**
- # Johnston Terrace, Edinburgh, EH1 2PW
- Known As / Nickname Example-Member



My Communication

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- St Columba's Free Church 29 August 1:55pm
 - ChurchSuite Check and Update Your Details
- Kelly Shuttlesworth
 28 July 10:51pm
 Lesson Plans August October Rota
- St Columba's Rotas 9 July 12:00pm
- RE: Update Unavailability in Church Suite
- St Columba's Rotas 2 July 12:43pm Update Unavailability in Church Suite

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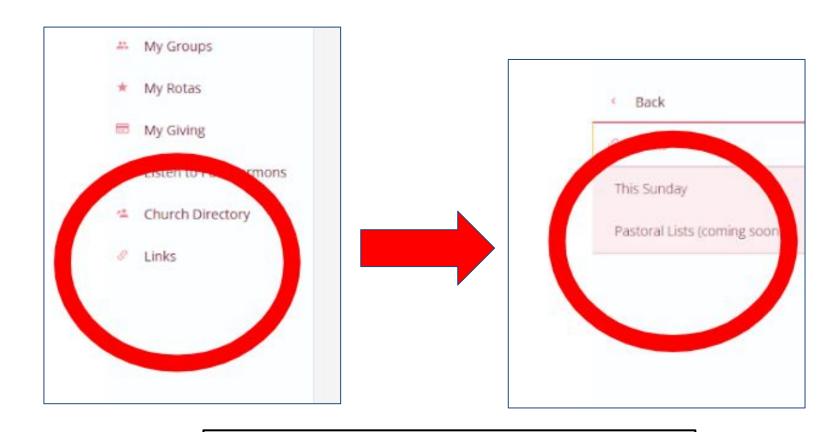






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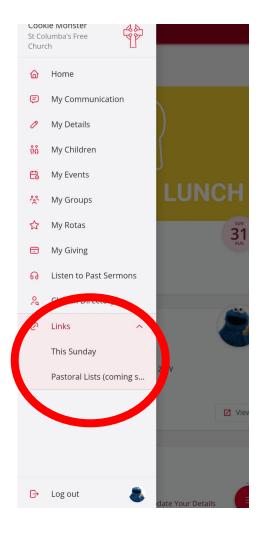
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Resources

1. Our Ministry List: a work in progress...

2. Needs Ministry:

- → If you encounter a need, try and address it within your City Group, Pastoral Area, or amongst friends.
- → If you can't or need more help reach out to a minister, Neil Macrae or Georgie Armstrong so the needs team can figure out how to assist.
- 3. The Church Calendar: stcsfc.org/calendar

4. ChurchSuite:

- → Directory, Groups, Rotas, etc: <u>stcsfc.org/churchsuite</u>
- → Install the App on your phone from your AppStore or stcsfc.org/churchsuite-apps



A People Pathway

... to see everyone mature in Christ (Colossians 1:28)

- **1.** (unchurched) Gatherer →
- **2.** (believing) Worshipper →
- **3.** (growing) Disciple →
- **4.** (committed) Member →
- 5. Servant Leader



Upcoming

- 1. A printed welcome guide for new people
- **2.** A printed members guide for those seeking membership with a membership class.
- **3.** A small group for the unchurched or yet to believe (potentially titled Questioning Christianity)
- **4.** A new website (soonish).



Pray for a city wide movement of the Gospel, for little revivals and big ones, and for protection from the world, the flesh, and the devil in each of our lives.

