

KS1 Christianity

God

Father – God who loves and cares
Son – God in the person of Jesus
Holy Spirit – God in the world today

Key figure: Jesus

Birth (Christmas), death (Good Friday), resurrection (Easter Day)
Jesus' closest followers and friends (disciples)
Jesus as teacher, changing lives

Place of worship: Church

Building where Christians meet
Community of believers
Symbols and artefacts found in local churches
People with a special role (vicar, priest, minister)

Holy book: Bible

Old Testament – creation (Genesis) and Ten Commandments (setting out how people should live)
New Testament – Jesus' two great commandments (love God, love your neighbour)

Christian way of life

Christians believe that everyone is important and of equal value
Christians try to follow Jesus' example and his rules for living

Key festivals:

- o Christmas
- o Easter

Worship:

- o Sunday – the first day of the week and the celebration of the resurrection
- o reading the Bible
- o teaching
- o singing
- o praying
- o infant baptism and weddings
- o symbols that are owned, worn and carried

KS2 Christianity

God

The Trinity - God as Father, Son and Holy Spirit - symbols of dove, flame, light
Creator God who cares for the world and expects people to care for the world
Baptism of Jesus, revealing the Trinity
The Apostles' Creed

Key figures

Jesus – Son of God, Son of Man, Saviour, Messiah, Redeemer, Conqueror
+ baptism and temptations
+ disciples, friends and followers
+ teaching about the Kingdom of God in parables and miracles Lord's Prayer

- + Holy Week, ascension into heaven and Pentecost
- St Paul

Place of worship: Church

How buildings, artefacts and symbols play a part in the worship, rituals and ceremonies of the community

The family of believers past, present and future, guided by the Holy Spirit, carrying on the work of Jesus

Worship:

- + Holy Communion, Mass
- + silence and music
- + styles of worship

Holy book: Bible

Meaning and significance of:

- + stories
- + Psalms (23)
- + songs that describe the nature of God

Christian way of life

Christians believe that human beings:

- + are made in the image and likeness of God
- + became sinful and can be redeemed

Christians base their morality on:

- + The Ten Commandments
- + The Sermon on the Mount

Christian values come from the 'Fruits of the Spirit': Gal 5: 22-23

- + love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control

Christian commitment is shown by:

- + personal relationships
- + caring and healing
- + attitudes to social and global issues, care for the environment
- + involvement in charitable work

Christian life is marked by rites of passage:

- + baptism (any age)
- + confirmation
- + marriage (in church)
- + death

Sacred places of pilgrimage:

- + Iona, Lindisfarne, Walsingham
- + Holy Land and Lourdes

KS3 Christianity

God

Attributes of God expressed through writings, symbols, arts, artefacts and music

God as omnipotent, omniscient, omnipresent and judge and redeemer; forgiving to those who repent

Evidence of God as revealed through scriptures, tradition, creeds, human experience, the natural world

Key figure: Jesus

Key events in the life of Jesus, showing how each gospel writer portrays Jesus
His humanity and divinity as seen through his followers' eyes
How Jesus is expressed and experienced in the lives of individuals
The relevance of his teachings to the modern world

Thomas Aquinas – 5 proofs for God's existence
William Paley - intelligent design

Place of worship: Church

The range of denominations represented in Great Britain and across the world today
Different ministries within the church

Holy book: Bible

King James Bible, modern translations

Christian way of life

Christians try to follow Jesus' example and his rules for living
Christians believe that human beings are made in the image of God (Genesis 1:26-27) and therefore have a unique and equal value (Matt 9:29-31)
Christians practice their beliefs within their faith community, at home and elsewhere

Worship:

- ❖ Sunday – the first day of the week and the celebration of the resurrection (Mark 2:27)
- ❖ The purpose of worship activities e.g. hymns, Psalms, creeds, verses, silence, preaching, praying
- ❖ Different styles of worship
- ❖ How different denominations celebrate the church year
- ❖ Significant life events – how different denominations celebrate

Christian values are based upon:

- ❖ God's laws (Exodus 20)
- ❖ Jesus Greatest Commandment (Matt.22:37-40)
- ❖ Repentance, forgiving and forgiveness (Luke 17:4)
- ❖ Love and service to God
- ❖ Response to the teachings of Jesus
- ❖ Inspiration from the Bible

Christians do not necessarily agree in debates over personal, social or global issues, but their thinking and argument draws upon:

- ❖ Scripture and its interpretation
- ❖ The creeds
- ❖ Tradition
- ❖ Prayer
- ❖ Example
- ❖ Reason

The natural world – meaning of stewardship and dominion
Inspiration by the Holy Spirit

Christian attitudes to social, moral and ethical issues such as the environment, animal rights and the sanctity of life

Christian commitment and action:

- ❖ William Wilberforce (Pocklington)
- ❖ John Wesley (Epworth)
- ❖ Elizabeth Fry
- ❖ Modern inspirational Christians