

Our children's ministry is based at Holy Trinity, Bledlow, where we have the benefit of extra space, a loo and a kitchen. We love having our children in church, and two of the four monthly 10.30am services at Bledlow are especially suitable for them.

On the **first Sunday** of the month we have Explorers. This is a mixture of 'café church' and 'messy church'. The mums and dads can have coffee, join in, or read the paper, while the children learn something of the Bible and what it means to follow Christ. They are divided into groups for the craft, so that the younger and the older children have activities suited to their age group.

On the **third Sunday** of the month we have Family Praise. This is a shortish service focussed on the children. This is generally a fairly lively service where anything can happen – pancake making, fireworks, burning teabags etc! Once a year at this service the children bring their pets for a blessing. The photo shows one of our children dressed as a knight during the Family Praise service where we considered what 'putting on the armour of God' meant.



At Christmas we have two special children's services – Christingle and the Crib Service. The main festival services always have a children's slot.

We have a Children and Vulnerable Person's Policy in place and our children's ministry team are CRB checked.