

**Cirencester Deanery**  
**Lay Worship Leaders course – Summer 2025**

This course from the Diocese of Gloucester gives lay people formal training before gaining permission to lead Services of the Word and all-age worship, usually where they worship on a regular basis. They become part of the ministry team, are enablers of ministry and can offer a Sunday service where otherwise there may not be one.

We will look at the basics of being a leader of public worship in a church, how Anglican liturgy works, the place of music in worship, the importance of all-age worship, and how to structure and deliver a short Bible talk. There will be plenty of practical work, as well as theory, to give everyone confidence up front.

*You will need the agreement of your incumbent and PCC to attend this course and be willing to undertake safeguarding training. Participants will have to complete each session.*

## **Dates for Summer 2025**

Date	Time	
<b>Wed 14 May</b>	<b>7:30- 9pm</b>	<b>Understanding the pattern</b>
<b>Sat 17 May</b>	<b>10am-1pm</b>	<b>Children &amp; All-age worship (Jo Wetherall)</b>
<b>Wed 28 May</b>	<b>7:30- 9pm</b>	<b>Leading a Service of the Word</b>
<b>Wed 4 June</b>	<b>7:30- 9pm</b>	<b>Practical Skills</b>
<b>Wed 11 Jun</b>	<b>7:30- 9pm</b>	<b>Music in worship (Sarah Todd)</b>
<b>Wed 25 Jun</b>	<b>7:30- 9pm</b>	<b>Giving a Bible talk</b>
<b>Wed 2 July</b>	<b>7:30- 9pm</b>	<b>Working as a team</b>

Venue for all sessions:

**The Forum, 6 West Market Place, Cirencester (beside the parish church) GL7 2NH**

*NB. Commissioning Service: 2pm, Sat 20 Sep at Holy Trinity, Watermoor, Cirencester GL7 1JR*

For further information, please contact the Course Leader:

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