

Local Community members connected to: Churchville Community Church

Your Local Community Survey Report results are based on: People in your local community (aged 15+) who are connected to your church and who completed a Local Community Survey



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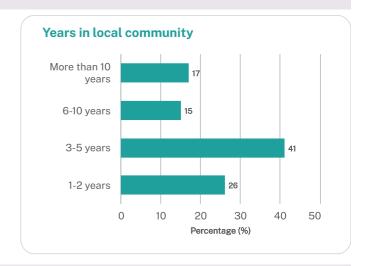


Who Took Part? (Demographics)

About Our Neighbourhood

New arrivals

67% of local community respondents are newly arrived, in the last 5 years



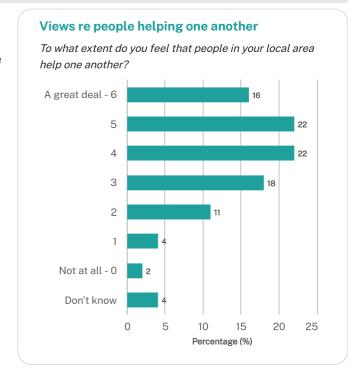
Feelings about neighbourhood

96% of local community respondents feel positive about our neighbourhood (selecting mostly satisfied, pleased or delighted)

Overall, how do you feel about your neighbourhood?	Your community in 2023
Delighted	29%
Pleased	31%
Mostly satisfied	36%
Mixed feelings	4%
Mostly dissatisfied	0%
Unhappy	0%
Terrible	0%

Helping others

60% of local community respondents feel that people help one another to at least a moderate extent (scoring 4 out of 6 or higher)



Levels of life satisfaction and stress

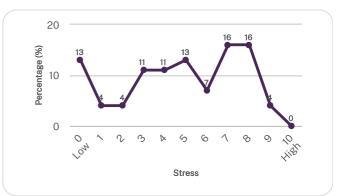
84% of local community respondents express positive levels of satisfaction about their life (scoring 6 or above on a scale of 0 to 10)

42% of local community respondents felt moderate to very high stress in the last month (scoring 6 or above on a scale of 0 to 10)

Levels of life satisfaction







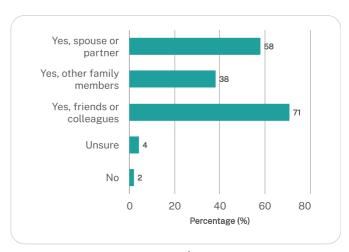
Sources of stress

Thinking about the past month have any of the following caused high levels of stress for you or your household? (Select ALL that apply)	Your community in 2023
Safety of self, close family members or friends, due to COVID-19	51%
Family relationships	31%
Children's education	33%
Possible or actual loss of household income	18%
Impact of isolation and social distancing	22%
Being able to access basic needs and services	4%
Other	7%
None of the above	20%

Sources of support

People from the local community were asked if they have someone to call on for help

93% say that they do.





Connection points

Local community respondents described their main point of connection with our church.

What are your main points of connection to this local church? (Select ALL that apply)	Your community in 2023
I attend an activity at the church's property that isn't run by the church	5%
I attend church services (either in person or online)	16%
My children attend the children's programs/activities	75%
A family member attends the church regularly	14%
I sometimes participate in the church activities	16%
I received material assistance from the church	2%
I received pastoral support from the church	2%
I am a volunteer in the church here	2%
I work with the church here	0%
I donate money/goods to the church	5%
My children attend the church school	11%
Another connection not listed here	7%
None of the above	2%

Attendance before March 2020 and online during 2021

14% of local community respondents attended our church at least monthly before the pandemic

Attendance before March 2020

About weekly or more often

About monthly

Quite a few times

Once or twice

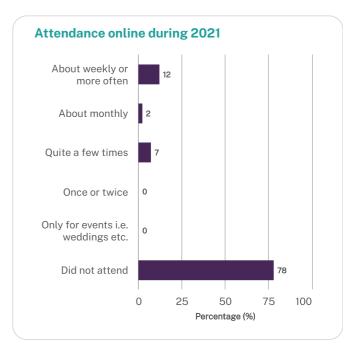
Only for events i.e. weddings etc.

Did not attend

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Percentage (%)

15% of local community respondents attended our church online at least monthly in 2021



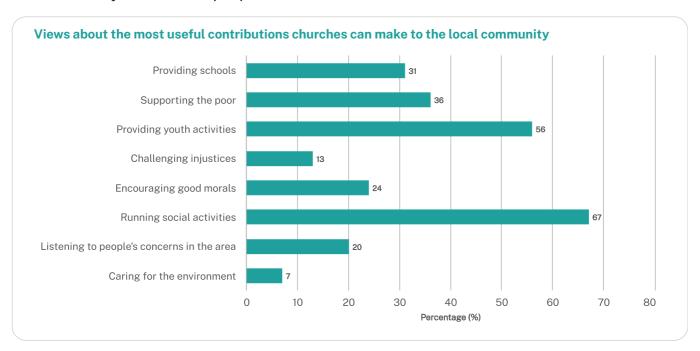
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Role of church in community

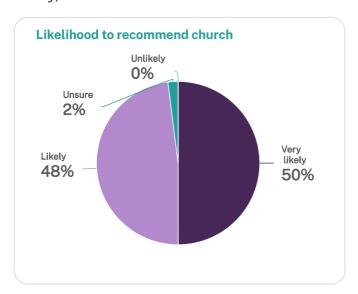
36% of local community respondents think local churches can make a useful contribution by supporting the poor

20% think they can listen to people's concerns

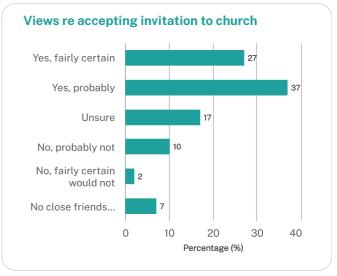


Likelihood to recommend our church and to accept an invitation to attend

98% of local community respondents are likely to recommend our church to a family member or friend (selecting Likely or Very Likely)



63% of local community respondents might accept an invitation to a church service (selecting Yes, fairly certain or Yes, probably)

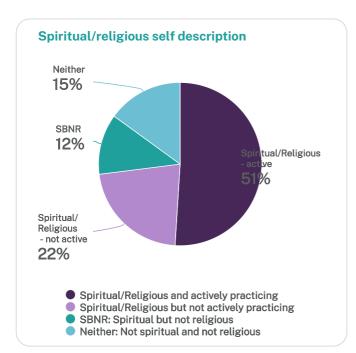


Community Spirituality

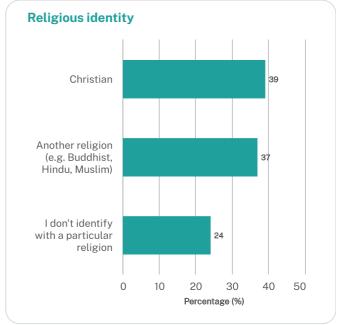


Spiritual and religious identity

Local community respondents described how they see themselves.

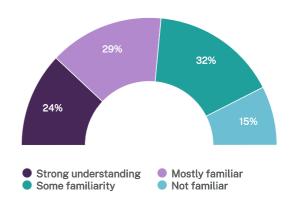


39% of local community respondents consider themselves to be Christian



Familiarity with Christianity

54% of local community respondents have a strong understanding or are mostly familiar with Christian teaching and values



Interest in spiritual resources from our church

Local churches can offer various spiritual resources. What, if any, of the following would you be interested in? (Select ALL that apply)	Your community in 2023
Having people pray for me or others I care about	17%
Church worship services in person	20%
Online church worship services	7%
Small groups for social or spiritual support	29%
Short-term or casual discussion group	12%
Courses or talks to learn more about the Christian faith	12%
Serving in a ministry of the church	12%
Some other kind of group or activity	27%
No thank you	27%

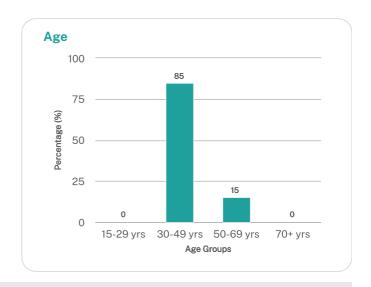
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There were 62 responses to this Local Community Survey from people who have a link with the host church: Churchville Community Church

Age

85% of local community respondents were under 50 years and **15**% were 50 years and over



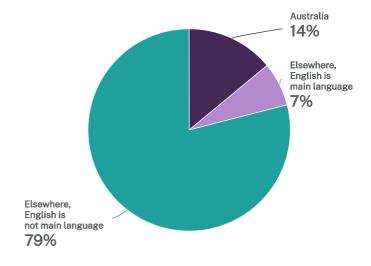
Gender

86% of local community respondents describe their gender as female



Country of birth

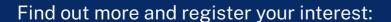
14% of local community respondents were born in Australia



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