

Jackie is an experienced parish priest, with over ten years of working in Ministry Teams in rural Dorset, first in Iwerne Minister and then in Wareham. For the past four years she has been leading a team exploring different ways of making disciples and creating church on a new housing development in Aldershot and is in her final year of studying for an MA in mission with Church Mission Society.

Jackie is committed to leading worship that enables people to connect and grow in their relationship with God across worshipping styles and traditions, from Mattins to Forest Church and in these days of pandemic, virtual worship.

Working with local schools as a governor as well as leading collective worship and supporting the teaching of RE has been a significant feature of her ministry. Her playful approach and reasonable guitar playing usually make collective worship engaging for all concerned.

A gregarious nature and natural curiosity combined with a belief in the importance of building relationships and working as a community have all contributed to Jackie being involved in various community projects, including Incredible Edible and a Community Café. She has also been active in supporting local initiatives to respond to the climate emergency.

Jackie grew up in Slough, the eldest of six. She is married to David, who after 22 years serving in the army, studied engineering, and retrained as a Maths teacher. David grew up in Southsea which explains his fascination with hovercraft. Until last year they owned a 15ft cruising hovercraft and are now wondering why they sold it!! They have a son James who is married with three children.

Other members of their household include two lurcher dogs, Lucy and Bobby, and a cat, called Jack. As well as walking their dogs, David and Jackie enjoy cycling, completing the London to Brighton Bike Ride on a few occasions, watching and discussing film as well as getting together with family and friends.

Jackie is also a singer. Her claim to fame is an appearance with her school choir on Pebble Mill at One after they won a prestigious choral competition. While living in Germany she performed military bands as the guest soprano for several 'Last Night of the Proms' style concerts. She also joined the chorus of one of the local German opera houses for their production of Carman. She is looking forward to when we can all sing together once again and hope their new neighbours like opera!