



**St John's Hartford
Ministry Trainee**

September 2014 to August 2015

*walking in truth
living in love*

We are looking for a new ministry trainee to start in September 2014 for initially one year. There is the possibility of a further year by mutual agreement.

The work can be divided into three parts:

1. Working with our full-time ministry team. The exact work is flexible depending on the candidate's interests, but it is likely to include youth and children's work, work with young adults, leading small groups and occasional preaching.
2. Biblical and theological training via the North West Partnership training scheme. This will involve one day per week at St Andrews in Leyland.
3. Involvement in practical service. We run a busy Church Centre which is widely used for church, community and commercial groups. The trainee will be expected to work with our Buildings Manager assisting with management of events and the general running of the building.

We have had trainees at St John's every year for a number of years now. People are motivated to be a trainee for many reasons – some are discerning whether God might be calling them to full-time Christian ministry, others are Christians who want to serve God in a gap year before starting their career. There is no fixed formula.

Hartford is in between Manchester and Chester and St John's is attended by people of all ages. To find out more information about St John's, check our website www.stjohnshartford.org.

We will provide accommodation with a church family, pay the fees for the Ministry Training course, and provide a modest training grant to cover basic living costs.

If you would like to find out more information about how to apply or just to have an informal conversation, please contact our vicar Mike Smith via the Church Office on office@stjohnshartford.org or 01606 872255.