



Theology, Ministry, and Mission Pathways

Luther King Centre is a diverse and affirming community where people are training and forming for a variety of different ministries within the church and the wider world. We are highly experienced in offering both academic and personal support including working with those who are neurodiverse or who have specific learning needs.

Community Work and Pioneering

Is God calling you to step out of the traditional church and into the wider world? Be it an urban housing estate, rural village, or seaside resort, our Community Work and Pioneering Pathway is an exciting way to engage in ministry and mission in modern life. Here's what we can offer you:

- Upon completion of the programme, a certificate in Theology, Ministry and Mission from Durham Common Awards specialising in Community Work and Pioneering Ministries.
- Baseline recognition with the Endorsement and Quality Standards Board.
- An Introduction to the Bible, Mission and Community Development, exploring how God is at work in shaping you and your ministry beyond the walls of the church.

A substantial component to this pathway is the development of a skills portfolio which is supported by group tutorials. This extended pathway is also a route to ministry as a Church Related Community Worker with the United Reformed Church and could form part of training for ministry within the Baptist Church.

Children, Youth and Families

Our Children, Youth and Families Pathway is a brand-new route of training and formation for people who are feeling a call from God to work with Children, Families and/or youth in a Church or Community setting. Students can expect:

- Upon completion of the programme, a certificate in Theology, Ministry and Mission from Durham Common Awards specialising in Children, Youth and Families.
- Work Placement with Children, Youth, and Families in either a Church or Community setting.
- An Introduction to the Bible and Mission, exploring your relationship with God and how you are shaped personally and professionally by God's calling.

This pathway also offers occasional residential teaching blocks, where students will have the opportunity to join with a larger cohort of people training for Children, Youth and Families Ministries.

Theology and Practice

Our Theology and Practice Pathway is designed for those who are excited to study and explore who God is calling them to be. It is particularly for those who want to get more involved in their own church or who want to train for ministry. Here's what is on offer:

- An opportunity to gain a certificate, diploma or degree in Theology, Ministry and Mission from Durham Common Awards.
- An introduction to Bible, mission, theological reflection and the practical pastoral skills needed for ministry.
- Assignment tasks geared towards the practical outworking of your learning within your own church or community context.
- Encouragement to develop your own spirituality and discipleship and discern what direction your life might take next.

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This pathway is available both midweek onsite, at our campus at Luther King Centre in Manchester, or part time over 7 weekends a year on zoom. Lengths of study can vary from 1-6 years depending on the qualification and whether you choose to study part or full time.

This route could also form part of the training for ministry of word and sacrament within the United Reformed or Moravian churches or ministry within the Baptist Church.