



Unit of work:

What can we learn from Christian religious buildings and music?

Year group:

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Prior learning:

- Why Christmas is celebrated by Christians
- The Christian creation story
- Why the Bible is special to Christians
- Why Jesus is important to Christians today
- How Jesus taught about God and values through parables
- How Jesus is portrayed through art around the world

RE aims:

- I can describe and make connections between different features of the religions and worldviews we have studied.
- I can talk about celebrations, worship, pilgrimages and rituals which mark important points in life and reflect on ideas.
- I can discuss my own and other’s spiritual experiences and find connections between communities.
- I can discuss issues about community cohesion and demonstrate understanding of different views.

Knowledge/skills

Symbolism in Christian art:

The lamb that in ancient *Christian art* symbolizes *Christ* may also *symbolize* the Apostles or humankind in general. The dove may *symbolize* the Holy Spirit or the human soul. The wheel or circle can *symbolize* the universe, the sun, or even the underworld.

What is the Iona Community?

The Iona Community, founded in 1938 by George MacLeod, is an ecumenical Christian community of men and women from different walks of life and different traditions within Christianity. The monastery they founded was one of the most important and influential in the British Isles. It sent missionaries to northern Britain to convert people to Christianity. Columba's fame has brought pilgrims to Iona since the 7th century. ... Iona's spiritual life continues today, through the work of the Iona Community. The Iona Community is working for Peace and Justice. Since its origins, the Iona Community has supported anti-colonial struggles worldwide; opposed apartheid in South Africa; practised and encouraged nonviolent resistance; expressed practical and political solidarity with the poor and oppressed at home and worldwide as well as focusing on the relationship between personal responsibility and political context in faithfulness to the kingdom of God.

Vocabulary and definitions

| Word | Definition |
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| Congregation | An assembly of persons gathered for religious worship. The membership of a church. A <i>congregation</i> is a large gathering of people, often for the purpose of worship. <i>Congregation</i> may also refer to: Church (<i>congregation</i>), a Christian organization meeting in a particular place for worship. |
| Cradle Roll | A listing kept by a church of the names of very young children especially those of members. |
| Chalice | In Roman Catholicism, Eastern Orthodox Church, Oriental Orthodoxy, Anglicanism, Lutheranism and some other Christian denominations, a chalice is a standing cup used to hold sacramental wine during the Eucharist (also called the Lord's Supper or Holy Communion). A chalice, which is a goblet-shaped wine glass, has long been a symbol of the Christian church. It symbolizes the glass from which Jesus Christ drank with his disciples during the Last Supper. |
| Paten | A paten, or diskos, is a small plate, usually made of silver or gold, used to hold Eucharistic bread which is to be consecrated during the Mass. It is generally used during the liturgy itself, while the reserved sacrament are stored in the tabernacle in a ciborium. |
| Ciborium | Ciborium in religious art, any receptacle designed to hold the consecrated Eucharistic bread of the Christian church. The ciborium is usually shaped like a rounded goblet, or chalice, having a dome-shaped cover. |
| Tabernacle | According to the <u>Hebrew Bible</u> the tabernacle (<u>Hebrew</u> : meaning "residence" or "dwelling place"), also known as the Tent of the Congregation also Tent of Meeting, was the portable earthly dwelling place of <u>Yahweh</u> (God) used by the <u>children of Israel</u> from <u>the Exodus</u> until the conquest of <u>Canaan</u> . Today a tabernacle is a fixed, locked box in which, in some Christian churches, the Eucharist is "reserved". A less obvious container for the same purpose, set into a wall, is called an aumbry |

Artefacts and symbols



Chalice Ciborium Tabernacle Paten