

Lesson 2: What are the features found inside a church?

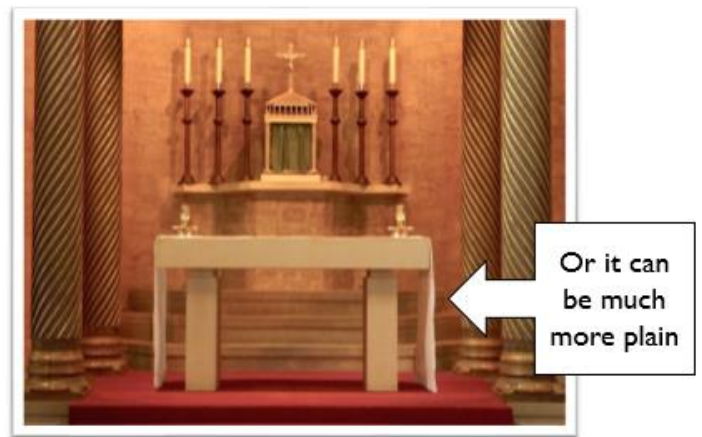
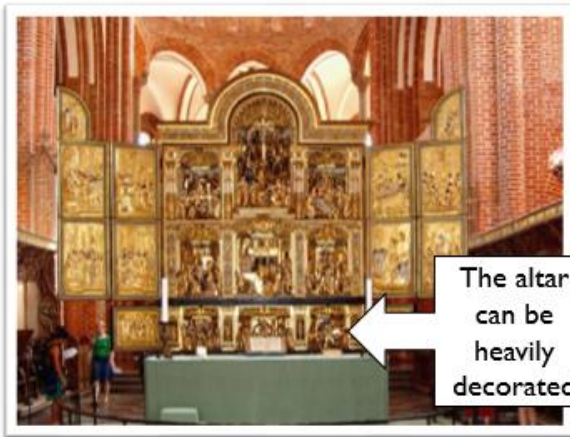
Although churches look very different they usually all share the same features inside.

Today we are going to look at those features and then you are going to design your own church.

Most churches have an **altar**. The word altar comes from the Latin word for *high*. It is normally at the far end of the church and sometimes on a raised platform.

It is the table where the priest performs the main parts of a church service.

The **priest** is the leader of church services and runs the church. Sometimes they are called pastors, vicars or church leaders.



What are the differences between the altar at Winchester and Liverpool Cathedral?



Churches will usually have a **lectern**.

This is a stand where the Bible is read from.

They'll also have a **pulpit** where the priest gives a **sermon** – a speech that explains the Bible and gives people advice on how to live.



A church might have an **organ** for music or it might have a space for a band to perform.



You'll also see lots of **light** because, in Christianity, light represents God and goodness.

It could be **candles** or **stained glass** windows that let coloured light in.



Fill in the table with the purpose of each object.

What's the object	What is it for?
Lectern	
Pulpit	
Organ	