

## The Company's involvement with Church and Charity

14th Century	1361	Admission granted for daily masses to a chapel on the north side of St. Paul's Cathedral in honour of St. John Baptist
15th Century	1405	Advowson of St. Martin Outwich (destroyed in 1875).
	1414	Almshouses erected on east side of Hall.
	1445	Papal Bull regularised use of Chapel at the Hall.
	c. 1490	First herse cloth used for burials
16th Century	1514	Will of James Wylford for a sermon in Holy Week.
	c.1520	Second herse cloth.
	1547	Act of Suppression of Chantries affecting worship in the Chapel.
	1578	Bishops' Bible first placed in the Hall.
	1592	Almshouses transferred to Tower Hill.
17th Century	1605	Robert Dowe endowed a "passing-bell" at St Sepulchre without Newgate.
	1615	Will of John Vernon for a memorial service before Christmas each year.
	1683	Christopher Boone endowed almshouses at Lee, Lewisham, Kent.
18th Century	1767	Company's almshouses rebuilt on Tower Hill
19th Century	1825	Company's almshouses removed to Lee, S.E.13
	1870	Convalescent Home opened in Bognor (closed in 1953).
	1873	Advowson of St Helen Bishopgate.
	20th Century	1903
	1960	New Scheme for the Consolidated Charities.
	1964	Boone's almshouses transferred to new site in Lee.
	1968	Dowe House opened in Lee.
	1970	Advowson of St Paul, Swanley, Kent.
	1980	Archbishop Coggan House opened in Lee.
	1996	Installation, re-dedication by The Lord Coggan, of new Merchant Taylors' Company commemorative window in St Helen's Church, following IRA bomb damage.
	1996	Establishment of the new combined Merchant Taylors' Company Livery and Freeman Fund for charitable purposes.