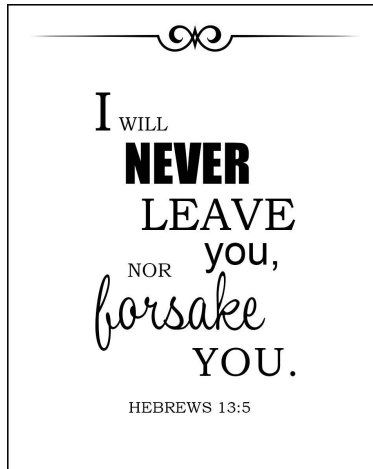




St. Paul's Covingham
St. Timothy's, Liden
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*Transforming lives and communities
Knowing Jesus and making Him known*

Bible verse for August



Services 4th August 2019 - 7th Sunday after Trinity

St. Paul's

10.00am

United Communion

Rev'd Judy Ashby

Please note earlier time

Welcome: *Hazel & Janice*, Teas: *Cathy's Group*, Sunday Club: *tbc*, Creche: *Nicki & Niki*

Welcome to the Dorcan Church.

**If you are new, we would love to get to know you better.
Please speak to the Minister or to one of the Stewards.**

SERVICES FOR THE REST OF AUGUST		
11th August, 2019 - 8th Sunday after Trinity		
St. Paul's		
8.45am	Holy Communion	Rev'd Mark Barrett
10.00am	Morning Worship "Bring & Share worship with groups for youngsters"	Local Arrangement
St. Tim's		
10.30am	Morning Worship	Paul Tayler
18th August, 2019 - 9th Sunday after Trinity		
St. Paul's		
10.00am	Morning Worship With groups for youngsters	Alex Scott
St. Tim's		
10.30am	Holy Communion	Rev'd Stuart Fisher
25th August, 2019 - 10th after Trinity		
St. Paul's		
10.00am	Morning Worship With groups for youngsters	Rev'd Rob Smith
St. Tim's		
10.30am	Iona Communion	Rev'd Trudie Wigley
1st September 2019 - 11th Sunday after Trinity Launch of Holy Habit "Fellowship"		
St. Paul's		
10.30am	United Communion With groups for youngsters	Rev'd Trudie Wigley
NB We revert to 10:30am from 1st September 2019		

Dates for Coming Weeks				
	w/c 5th Aug	w/c 12th Aug`	w/c 19th Aug	w/c 26th Aug
Monday				Bank Holiday
Tuesday	9am St. Paul's Morning prayer 10am St. Tim's Morning prayer	9am St. Paul's Morning prayer	9am St. Paul's Morning prayer 10am St. Tim's Morning prayer	
Wednesday			9-11 am Summer Tiny Tots, St Paul's	
Thursday			9.30am mid-week Communion St Paul's	

St Paul's service times to continue at 10am for the summer period until 1st September.

There will however be an 8:45am service on 11th August led by the Methodist superintendent Mark Barrett. This will be a "bring and share" time of worship Come along and bring a favourite Bible verse or passage, reflection, song (on CD please), image, object etc. to share as we worship informally together.

Help over the summer period:

With many of the church family away, we are a bit thin on the ground during August. Therefore please do muck in and help if you see anything that needs attention as we enter a quieter period - it will help keep our Churchwarden and stewards smiling, happy bunnies! Thank you!

An advance notice about **Shoebboxes** for this year.

The Dorcan church will be supporting Link To Hope shoebox appeal again, and the donation for each box has increased this year to £3-00 per box, due to the rising cost of transportation and admin.

More information will be put out during September, when I receive the leaflets that attach to each box.

Paul.

Blessings for the Summer Holidays



Take time to claim your God strength; this is a gift from God

Take time to have fun;
It is God's way of teaching you your strengths.
Take time to grow yourself; only you can grow you.
Take time to trust yourself; God trusts you.
Take time to share with others;
They will bless you and you will bless them.
Take time to have hope; you are a child of God.

Volunteers needed

for Tuesday and Thursday mornings 13th./15th. August.

The window frames at St. Paul's have been in need of re-painting for some time. On Wednesday 14th. August we have a group of volunteers coming to paint them. Before they come it would help to prepare the frames by washing them to remove the accumulated grime and clear any weeds from the adjacent paving. They will probably only get as far as the undercoat so we need to complete applying the top coat on Thursday.

Can you help for an hour or two on Tuesday Morning 13th. August and Thursday Morning at 9.30 am?

Offers to Tony Prichard tel: 520734

Pop-up Shop

St. Timothy's Church Centre, Liden
Wednesday 14th August 2019
At 2.pm



Everything brand new, Many items only £1.00
All proceeds go towards the work of Swindon Night Shelter.

Knitted Angels

Many of you took part prior to last Christmas knitting Angels which were subsequently given to the community. This was a great success and we propose to do the same this year.



There are copies of the knitting pattern in church.

Maureen Taylor

Things happening in Liden for the month of August

Toy Story Summer fun at Odey's Cafe - Liden Library

Wednesday 7th August

10am to 12.30pm

£2.50 per child

Toy Story cake and drink

Games and competition prizes to be won

Save the date, 28th August,

as **another event is planned at Odey's cafe for children**

Posters should be on show soon

An Organ Recital will be given
at St. Mark's, Church Place, Swindon
on Monday August 19th at 7.30pm by Christian Schoen
(St. Michael's Church, Grosse Pointe, MI, USA)
Retiring collection for church funds, refreshments.

Thank you for the support and encouragement received and your interest in knowing a bit more about what I'll be doing. I had hoped to share more on Sunday 4th August, but with planned airport strikes we are now leaving early for holiday. I will however share more on 1st September. In the meantime, thank you everyone.

Revd Trudie Wigley – project leave

This year I have been invited to participate in a number of learning and development opportunities which have been insightful and helpful, as well as challenging! It has been a privilege to have had these opportunities and following discussion with a mentor, I have been given the opportunity to take a period of project leave. This is to assimilate this learning and explore further, with a focus on church growth, particularly in contexts similar to our own area in East Swindon

I will therefore be taking 5 weeks project leave which, with holiday and already booked training and Diocesan conferences, will mean I will not be at Dorcan Church for most of September and October - from Monday 9th September to Thursday 31st October. Although I will still be living at home for much of this time, I will not be available for church matters. However, I will come and worship when I am not visiting other churches as part of my studies.

I am grateful to Rev Rob Smith who will be acting C of E Incumbent whilst I am away, and this is a great opportunity for him as part of his ongoing Incumbency training. This will of course include day-to-day running responsibilities and communication, preparing for and chairing ECC and ministry team gatherings, dealing with pastoral and other church matters, for example.

I would also like to express my thanks to Rev Stuart Fisher for providing additional support on the Anglican side, and to Revd Andrew Wigley who continues as our Methodist partner as usual.

I really appreciate this opportunity to study and research the enablers and obstacles to church growth, and then to explore ways that this might further develop the life and mission of the Dorcan Church.

I thank you for your support.

Trudie

Dates for your diary as at August 2019

11th August 2019

10:30am St Paul's "*Bring and Share worship*"
Come along and bring a favourite Bible verse or passage,
reflection, song (on CD please), image, object etc.
to share as we worship informally together.

Sunday 22nd September 2019

9.30am Start of Swindon Marathon !
No morning services
4pm United Communion at St. Paul's

Saturday 28th September

10-12noon - McMillan coffee morning, St Tim's

Harvest dates

Sunday 29th September, St Tim's

All-Age parade service

Sunday 13th October, St Paul's

8:45am Communion
10:30am All-Age led by our young people

Tuesday 1st October

7pm at St Tim's
Holy Habits Pudding and Ponderings

Sunday 6th October

Sunday School for All "*Holy Habit: Fellowship*"
With special visitors from Uganda
to mark 50th anniversary of the Diocesan link
Fellowship over Breakfast beforehand

Sunday 29th March 2020

United service at St Paul's at 10am, followed by
Dorcan Church Annual Meeting at 10:30am

All items for inclusion in the next notices should be sent to
Anna Newman by **Wednesday 28th August** Tel 695698
or email anagram673@hotmail.co.uk Thank you.

Please let me know if you would like to receive notices by email