



St. Paul's, Covingham
St. Timothy's, Liden
Eldene Church

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12th May, 2013

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*Beth has Fridays off - Andrew has Tuesdays and Saturdays off.
Please avoid contacting them at these times if possible.*

SERVICES - 12th May

St. Paul's

8.45am

Holy Communion

Beth Brown

10.15am

Café/Breakfast Service

Neil Marshall

(Sunday Tots: Café Service, Sunday Club, Café Service)

St Tim's

10.30am

Morning Worship

Paul Tayler

Eldene

10.30am

Holy Communion

Beth Brown

Andrew's Ordination I am in the process of arranging transport to the Wesley Chapel, if you have not previously requested transport, would you let me know as soon as possible. If you do not have tickets and would like to attend, again contact me, as I know Queens Drive have a few available. *Diane 336420*

Lectionary Readings

Acts 16: 16-34

Rev. 22: 12-21

12th May

Psalm 97

John 17: 20-26

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—19th May		
St. Paul's		
8.45am	No Service	
10.30am	United Holy Communion	Andrew Wigley
<i>Welcome: Joy & Hazel, Teas: Rosemary & Amy</i> <i>(Sunday Tots: tba, Sunday Club, Jo Kirkland & Lucy Curtis)</i>		
St. Tim's		
10.30am	United at St. Paul's	
Eldene		
10.30am	United at St. Paul's	

WEAR RED to Church for Pentecost Sunday Swindon Churches Together is inviting everyone to wear RED to church on Pentecost Sunday, as a collective act of witness across the town. So, let's see how many red outfits we can find for our United Service next Sunday 19th May, and let's set this place ablaze as we celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit!

<u>NEXT WEEK</u> - Normal weekly church and small group activities unless you are notified otherwise by group leaders.		
Mon. 13th May	2-4pm 7.30pm	Scrabble & Dominos at St. Tim's Fellowship and Bible Study at Thorne Road, Eldene.
Tues. 14th May	10.00am 7.30pm 7.30am	Holy Communion at St. Tim's Cell Group at Fitzmaurice Close Men's Fellowship Group at Hatherley Road. NB please bring a item of news from a daily paper or from the TV news, for discussion and views.
Weds 15th May	9.30am 10.45am 1.30pm 7.30pm	Tiny Tots at St. Paul's Cell Group—Ravenscroft, Covingham Tiny Tots at St. Tim's Cell Group—Blakeney Avenue, Nythe
Thurs. 16th May	9.30am 7.30pm 7.30pm	Holy Communion at St. Paul's. Cell Group - Austen Crescent, Liden Cell Group - Bryanston Way, Nythe
Sat. 18th May	10am - 12.30pm	POT POURRI Emporium at St. Paul's 

BREAKFAST/CAFE SERVICE— TODAY—SUNDAY 12TH MAY

AT ST PAUL'S at 10.15am This replaces our usual 10.30am Service.

Breakfast from 10.15am and then music, short talk/discussion and prayer at 10.45 to 11.30 am. Come and join in or read the Sunday Papers, eat some breakfast or have a drink. Everyone is welcome though children under 16's need to be supervised by an adult. Everyone can join in together with activities for all ages, and there are toys and crèche available for younger children. This week's theme will be prayer and some of the Young People will be helping to lead.

A time of 'Vacancy' seems to imply that we, as a church are a bit 'vacant', just because we are without a 'Vicar', but that is definitely far from the truth. Because of the devotion of our congregations and the current Ministry Team, our church continues with all its usual activities and more. However, we need to be mindful of God in our deliberations regarding our future direction, and to that end, a group of us have met on two occasions to pray. This isn't a select group of people, just folk willing to give up an hour to pray about those things that concern us as a church. Could you be one of those people? There is no expectation on us to pray complicated prayers, just to pray from our hearts. If you feel you could 'dip your toe in the water' so to speak, I warmly invite you to join us in our next session, which will be on Friday, 17th May at 6.30pm, this time at St. Tim's. I realise the time may not be convenient to everyone, and I also appreciate that many of you pray for our church in your private prayers. Thank-you. *Barbara W*

Many of you are familiar with **Bible reading notes**, and just how helpful they can be in throwing light on God's Word. However, some church members may not have come across them yet, and others may not have got on well with the ones they've tried. I'm looking for back copies of all different styles of notes, so that people can try them out before making a commitment to use them. So! Can any of you help me? If you have back copies available and don't mind them being borrowed, perhaps you would be kind enough to leave them at your place of worship, and I will endeavour to collect them. If you would like them returned to you, please mark them with your name. Many Thanks. *Barbara W.*

Spring cleaning, having a good sort out? We are looking for good quality 'bits and bobs' for a **POT POURRI Emporium** to be held on Saturday May 18th at St Paul's from 10am—12.30pm to raise funds for **CHRISTIAN AID**. Offers of help, would be greatly appreciated, we shall also be providing refreshments, so cakes etc will also be welcome.

Thank you for the offers of help and donations. I shall be in the hall on the Friday evening from 6.30 to receive further donations and pricing, feel free to pop in and help.

Please contact Diane 336420 for further details

Sunday 19th May, at St. Tim's Church, Liden from 4-6pm

Children up to Year 6 are invited to 'Pentecost Pyrotechnics' craft workshop; adult(s) to stay & join in the fun. Cost £1 per child towards cost of materials; adults FREE!! A short time of singing & a Bible Story will be included, followed by light refreshments. Join us in celebrating the 'Birthday of the Church'.
Thanks, *Beth*

SUMMER FETE Sat. June 15th, 2pm--5pm. At St. Paul's.

Cream teas, ice creams, stalls, face painting,
dance demos, car wash, raffles etc.

Would love volunteers who could adopt a stall or any help.

Vibe we would love you to do the car wash!!!!

Offers of cakes, raffle prizes, bottles etc. would be appreciated.

Has anyone got any bunting we can use?

50% proceeds for Church Funds, 50% Turning Point.

Contact Margaret tel.532849 or 07756987198.

FUTURE DATE FOR YOUR DIARY Saturday 21st September

St. Paul's - 7:30-10:30pm Harvest Supper and Barn Dance
event for all the family - tickets on sale from August

A new home is urgently needed for a well loved **1970 Kemble compact upright piano** - in good condition. The owner is needs to move into sheltered accommodation and will no longer have the room. One owner from new, will be happy to accept a small donation especially for a Church family (Or would be ideal for a school). The buyer will need to arrange collection, I am told Lift and shift removal charge by the hour - but enquiries need to be made direct to the firm.

In the first instance please ring Brenda Robinson 534087 after 6pm

There is also a **4' 6" double bed** available no payment needed.

All items for inclusion in the next notices should be sent to

Anna Newman by Thursday 16th May

Tel: 695698 or Email: anagram673@hotmail.co.uk

(please let me know if you would like to receive notices by email)