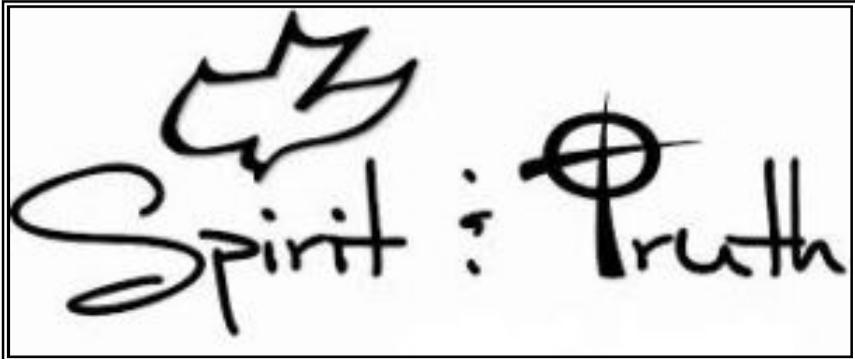




St. Paul's Covingham
St. Timothy's, Liden
www.dorcanchurch.org.uk

*Transforming lives and communities
Knowing Jesus and making Him known*



John 4: 4:24

"those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth"

Services - 21st October 2018 - Trinity 21

St. Paul's

10.30am Sunday School for All Rev'ds Trudie
"Worship" And Andrew Wigley

Welcome: *John & Joan*, Teas: *Cathy's Group*,
Sunday Club: *Debbie*, Crèche: *None*.

4.00pm Messy Church The Team !

St. Tim's

10.30am Holy Communion Rev'd Railton

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.

What's on next week -		
Tuesday 23rd October	9.00am 10.00am Pm 7.30pm	Morning Prayers - St. Paul's chapel Morning prayers at St. Tim's Dorcan Academy Christian Union Men's Fellowship Group - Ecklington. Eldene
Wednesday 24th October	8.45am 9.00am 12.30pm 1.30pm	Tea & Toast, St. Tim's Tiny Tots at St. Paul's Funeral of Doreen Causton, St Paul's Tiny Tots at St. Tim's
Thursday 25th October	9.30am 8-9.00pm	Holy Communion, St. Tim's Footie at Dorcan Leisure Centre, followed by the Messenger
Friday 26th October	2-4pm	The Friday Club at St. Paul's

Services - 28th October - Trinity 22		
St. Paul's		
8.45am	Holy Communion	Rev'd Rob Smith
10.30am	Morning Worship	Rev'd Stuart Fisher
Welcome: <i>John & Joan</i> , Teas: <i>Cathy's Group</i> , Sunday Club: <i>Mary, Niki & Helen</i> , Creche: <i>Niki & Anna</i>		
St. Tim's		
10.30am	Morning Worship	Colin Parsons

Safeguarding Training – thank you!:

At the moment we are in the midst of safeguarding training refreshers and new courses. This is a thank you on behalf of the safeguarding team for your commitment to safeguarding and attending the various courses. Whilst this is important, we equally recognise that we lead full lives and fitting in more training can be a challenge.

So this is a MASSIVE thank you to you all. And also grateful thanks to Dianne Lane who keeps us all up to date and organises and liaises all our training – thank you Dianne!

Trudie Wigley



Christmas Fayre



24th November
11.00am - 1.30pm

All offers of help to Angela please.
Thanks.

Needed -

Weds Group: Soft toys for a tombola.	(To Brenda Fisher)
Tues. Group: Toiletries for a tombola	(To Diane Lane)
Men's Group: Bottle Stall	(To Paul Tayler)
Donations for the Raffle / hamper.	(To Angela)
Also Teddies and Chocolate	To Angela)
(Cakes and Bric- a brack nearer the time).	

Holy habits: In November and December we start to turn to our next Holy Habit which is “*Worship*”. In our shared gathering last month we started to think about this habit and we will be exploring it further in our “*Sunday School for All*”

“*Eating* have recently have pital



Worship

If you gather-our

together. There were loads of things to consider and ideas to take up – how might you get involved?

been some great church family gatherings where we eaten together, together with meals at home, in hos- and the community.

haven’t already, do pick up a flyer following our ing last month where we shared ideas and continued journey

Administrative skills needed – can you help please?

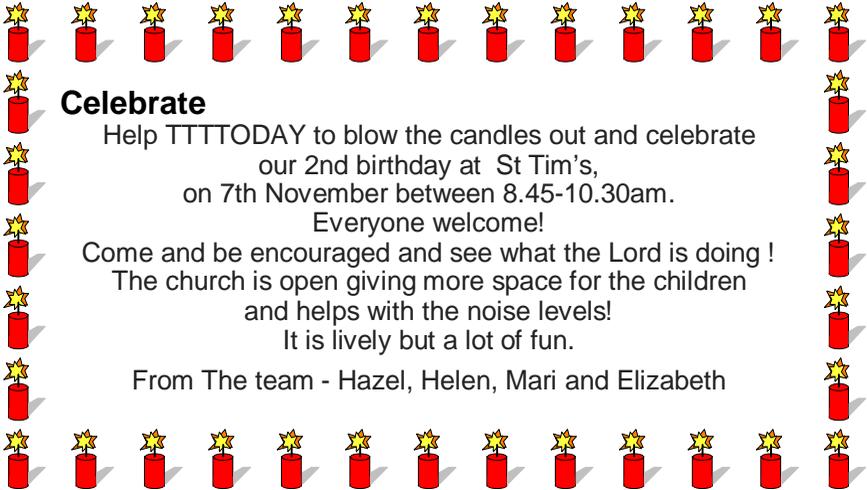
An important part of our communication is the noting of minutes from our various committees and working groups. These minutes ensure that we all remember what we agreed to do(!) and that ECC, as our governing body, is kept informed.

Are you able to write notes and might be prepared to help one of our committees every couple of months or so please? Together with all spiritual gifts, Administration is a needed spiritual gift in the life of the church so if you’re looking how to exercise this, then please do consider if you might be able to support church life in this way.

If you’d like to have a chat then please let Trudie know.

Thank you!

Friday Club will next meet on Friday 26th October at 2pm when the speakers will be Wendy and Heather Skerry, a mother and daughter team. Daughter Heather has the debilitating condition [Epidermolysis Bull-osa](#) which she has had to live with from birth. Now 28 her story is inspiring to say the least and well worth a listen. Everyone welcome.



Celebrate

Help TTTTODAY to blow the candles out and celebrate our 2nd birthday at St Tim's, on 7th November between 8.45-10.30am. Everyone welcome!

Come and be encouraged and see what the Lord is doing !
The church is open giving more space for the children and helps with the noise levels!
It is lively but a lot of fun.

From The team - Hazel, Helen, Mari and Elizabeth

Christmas Shoeboxes – Linked to Hope From Area Receiver - Paul Tayler, St Paul's Church Dorcan.

The Blessing of the Christmas shoeboxes will be **Sunday 4th of November** at the United service, 10:30am St Paul's, so please bring them to this service.

Alternatively, they can be given to Paul Tayler, at St Paul's on Friday 9th Nov. from 09-30am - 1-00pm

Collection by Link to Hope will be the following week.

Please can you ensure your Donation of £2-00 per shoebox is taped to the box as shown on instruction leaflet. Thanks.

Thank you for your support for Link to Hope.

Paul Tayler LLM.



WW1 Centenary Commemoration Events 1918-2018

**Saturday 3rd November 11-5pm
Covingham Park School**

You are invited to a free day of events to commemorate the end of WW1 in 1918 and remember the lives of local people at the time. The event will be opened by the mayor at 11am and include virtual reality trenches, period dining rooms, a WW1 canteen, poppy displays and attendance of the Chelsea Pensioners.

The event will close at 5pm, after closing words and prayers for the fallen.

**Sunday 11th November
Remembrance Sunday**

St. Paul's

8.45am Morning Prayer

10.30am All Age Service of Remembrance

St. Timothy's

10.30am Holy Communion



Living with loss – Sunday 11th November 4pm St Pauls:

We will be holding our annual *“Living with Loss”* service on Sunday 11th November at 4pm at St Pauls. This service is to remember anyone whom we have loved and lost – whether recent or a number of years ago.

All are welcome, and please do consider who you might personally invite who has been bereaved. Invitations will be available at both centres next week for you to take to give to others.

"The Journey" is a major ecumenical Christmas community project which will tell the story of the birth of Jesus in a colourful, interactive and imaginative way

It will be a transient piece of theatre, taking the audience through the journey as imagined for Joseph and Mary. The colours and feel of the piece will be heavy and rich, using lights and texture to create the sense of a journey taken by many as they head to the census. As we move along, the audience will encounter small vignettes of street theatre to give them a sense of the bigger picture as to how the population felt at this time of great uncertainty and upheaval. We will see conflict and disagreement to reflect the true nature of this grueling truth as they move towards the final destination. It is intended that this draw parallels with those within our own community today who find themselves, refugees.

The central area for the piece will be Wood Street, Old Town, Swindon which will be fully closed off and be transformed into a loud and heady Middle Eastern bazaar with street traders, music and food being offered. Joseph and Mary will seek shelter at several places along the way and it is along this stretch of the journey that their anxiety and difficulty become present. We will also hear from Joseph about the challenges he faced and the decisions he had to make.

The entire piece will culminate at Christ Church, Old Town, where the birth will take place and our story will joyfully end.

We anticipate audience numbers being upwards of 2000 per performance, based on the experience of the 2016 Passion Play performed in Wroughton which also had the same director, Anna Friend. There will be two performances on the day at 12 midday and 4pm. The first to accommodate younger families. Further information is available on our website www.oldtownjourney.co.uk and also via Facebook The Journey@oldtownjourney

We are looking for people to take part in "The Journey" as our **'SEA OF PEOPLE'** on 9th December in Old Town.

As part of this epic piece, we are looking for families and individuals of all ages from all walks of life, culture and background to join us for a small but vital part of the experience.

You will be part of the sea of people, the huge number of citizens who were asked to leave their home, without warning and take a long and dangerous journey at the behest of an oppressive regime - sound familiar?

This is still happening now and as part of our retelling of this story, we are paying tribute to the millions of refugees that are experiencing this today.

You will join us at Bath Road and finish your journey at Wood Street. You will just need to wear your own clothes. Families are welcome, unfortunately no prams but babes in arms and hand holding toddlers are welcome.

Can you join us to create this epic visual reminder of troubled times, both past and present? Contact Anna Friend at thejourneyswindon@gmail.com

THE REAL ADVENT CALENDAR

The Real Advent Calendar is the UK's only Fairtrade Advent calendar which comes with a free 24 page Christmas story activity book.

The 2018 Real Advent Calendar is a fun way for parents, grandparents and Godparents to share the Christmas story. The new edition calendar comes with a free 24-page Christmas story-activity book designed to be used every day in Advent. The 2018 design is illustrated by award winning artist, Alida Massari.

Meaningful Features

- 24 page Christmas story activity book
- Behind each of the 25 windows there is a line from the Christmas story with a high quality colour picture
- Foiled for freshness
- 25 Festive Fairtrade chocolates made from our improved Fairtrade blend - 35% cocoa
- Palm oil free
- Charitable donation
- Recyclable box and tray

The Real Advent Calendar is designed to share and celebrate the true meaning of Christmas so that Christ is not written out of Christmas

The Real Advent Calendar RRP is £3.99 and there will be sign up sheets in St Pauls and St Tims. Orders must be placed by 1st November so I must have your order by 28th October. Payment on collection please. Why not order an extra and donate it to the foodbank? The Real Advent Calendar company also sell hanging chocolate angels for your Christmas tree, sharing boxes of milk chocolate angels, and boxes of crackers. For more information please see <https://meaningfulchocolate.co.uk/collections/christmas> however I am happy to order these as well to combine on the postage.

Any questions, please see Nathalie Marshall, or email me on nathalie@calisnenath.org.uk

All items for inclusion in the next notices should be sent to Anna Newman by **Wednesday 24th October**. Tel 695698 or email anagram673@hotmail.co.uk Thank you.

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