



St. Paul's, Covingham
St. Timothy's, Liden
Eldene Church
www.dorcanchurch.org.uk
27th July & 3rd August, 2014

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SERVICES - 27th July

St. Paul's

From 9.45am Café Service Neil Marshall

Sunday Club—Café Service

6:00pm Holiday Club commissioning Revd Trudie Wigley

St. Tim's

10.30am Holy Communion Revd. Sandy Railton

Eldene

10.30am Holy Communion Trudie Wigley

Alex Scott is at Bath Road Methodist
Andrew Wigley is at St. Andrew's, Moredon

Lectionary Readings

27th July Gen. 29: 15-28 Psalm 105: 1-11 Rom. 8: 26-39 Matt. 13: 31-52

3rd August Gen. 32: 22-31 Psalm 17: 1-7 Rom. 9: 1-5 Matt. 14:13-21

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.**

Sunday 27th July we will be holding our **quarterly Cafe Service**.
 We meet from **9.45 am** to share breakfast together.
 Then at 10.15 am there will be a short act of worship designed for the whole church family.
 This may include singing, prayer, an activity or discussion and an activity for younger members.
 Cafe is designed to be informal, social and thought provoking.

SERVICES— 3rd August

St. Paul's

Additional service of Holy Communion: There will be an additional short service of said Holy Communion at 8:45 at St Paul's. The holiday club service will follow at 10am and please do stay to celebrate the work and fun of Holiday Club!

10.00am United Holiday Club Service Trudie Wigley
 Everyone welcome !

Welcome: Holiday Club
Sunday Club: (Summer Holidays)

St. Tim's & Eldene

10.00am United at St. Paul's

Paul Taylor is at St Leonards, Stanton Fitzwarren
 Colin Parsons is at Christ Church, Marlborough
 Andrew Wigley is at Queens Drive (morning) and St. Andrew's, Moredon (evening)

SERVICES— 10th August

St. Paul's

10.00am Holy Communion Stuart Fisher

Welcome: Hazel & Alison *Sunday Club: (Summer Holidays)*

St. Tim's

10.30am Morning Worship Barbara Wilcox

Eldene

10.30am Morning Worship Colin Parsons

Paul Taylor is at Coleview Community Centre today

Worship Questionnaire—Please collect yours today !

Thank you to all those who have returned their questionnaire. I am hoping for a further 20-40 questionnaires to be completed, so if you haven't yet done so, can I please encourage you to do so. Each voice counts and is important—these responses will help inform the shape of the proposals for our new pattern of worship, to be considered during the consultations on Wed. 24th & Sun 28th Sept.

So please make your views known now through the questionnaire. This includes the important voice of our children and young people.

Thank you for your support. *Andrew*

Mid-week service in August: Our services will continue as follows in August. Please note there is no service the bank holiday week and we will resume with Holy Communion on Tuesday 2nd September, 10am at St Timothy's.

Thurs 7 August	9:30 St Paul's Holy Communion	Revd Trudie Wigley
Tues 12 August	10:00 St Timothy's communion	Revd Vicky Fleming
Thurs 21 August	9:30 St Paul's Morning worship	Paul Taylor
w/c 25 th August	No mid-week service	
Tues 2 Sept	10:00 St Timothy's Communion	Revd Trudie Wigley

For your prayers -

- The Palestinian-Israel conflict, and the growing humanitarian crisis
- Those, across the world or nearer home, who are mourning the loss of loved one
- Those for whom the summer holidays will be difficult
- Those across our world who face daily challenges and struggles which do not reach the news headlines
- For our holiday club – the children who come and the leaders. That it may be a time of great fun together and learning about Jesus
- For ourselves, that the quieter summer time may be a time of refreshment and renewal in body, mind and spirit

Reminder that the **next Card Class** is on Monday August 18th at 9.30am.
Money £9 to be paid to me by the 11th August. *Sandra*

Holiday Club starts this Monday and as a team we'd really love your prayers and encouragement.

The week is based on the letter to the Philippians.

We will be meeting at 5pm Sunday 27th to set up for holiday club, and there will be a commissioning service starting at 6pm.

Even if you aren't helping during the week, we would love to see you on this evening. Thanks.

Hannah

Commemoration of the start of WW1: 2014 marks 100 years since the start of the First World War, with Britain declaring war on Germany on 4th August.

The Dorcan church community will be remembering the impact of this in two ways:

- A vigil service: to be held at St Timothy's church, Liden at 6pm on 4th August. We will be offering prayers for forgiveness, reflections and readings as we pray for the dawning of God's mercy, protection and peace. You are invited to join us, perhaps to say prayers for a family member, or as an appropriate act of worship. The service is expected to be finished by 7pm.

The British Legion have issued special candles as a mark of commemoration for the outbreak of WW1 which can be ordered from Marks and Spencer. Please join us at St Timothy's, Liden for the Vigil Service and why not bring your own candle of remembrance.

- Quiet reflection: St Paul's church Covingham, will be open from 2pm - 4.30pm for quiet private remembrance, reflection and prayers

For any further information, please contact Revd Stuart Fisher
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FOR YOUR DIARIES

Mon 5th Aug

St Paul's will be open from 2-4:30pm for remembrance, prayer and reflection; and at 6pm at St Tim's there will be a night service with readings and prayers.

Sun 31st August:

Afternoon: Service to mark end of Swindon & Marlborough Circuit

Sun 7th Sept :

Afternoon: launch of new North Wiltshire Circuit and Welcome to Revd Debbie Hodgson

Fri 13th Sept:

Archbishop visiting Swindon. 9:30-10:30 at Lydiard House and St Marys church, opening the Heritage weekend and praying off the Ride+Striders. Open event and all welcome.

Wed 24th September:

Worship & mission questionnaire consultation for those unable to make Sunday 28th September

Saturday 20th September:

All day: Bristol diocese synod & Bristol District Synod

Sunday 28th September:

United service at 10am, followed by whole church consultation on worship & mission questionnaire and shared lunch.

Tues 30th Sept:

"Be the Link". Bristol diocese's free interactive day of workshops and advice for anyone interested in exploring how churches can serve their local schools. At Rodbourne Cheney, Swindon

Sun 5th October:

Dorcan's Harvest celebrations

Sat 11th October:

"One Step Beyond". Bristol and Bath & Wells diocese hosting a youth and children's conference.

Sat 18th October: Parish Officer Training: making the most of all God's gifts

A day to equip us all: churchwardens, treasurers, PCC secretaries, administrators and others. At Sheldon School, Chippenham SN14 6HJ. See Diocesan website.

Final Circuit Service of the Swindon & Marlborough Circuit Sunday 31st August

This will be a service 'round the circuit' and it is hoped you will come to the service nearer you and the more adventurous will travel to share in the services 'round the circuit'. As you can see, each service is half an hour and there is a space between to travel.

The itinerary is:

3.00-3.30—Christchurch, Marlborough.

4.00-4.30—Bath Road

4.30-5.30—Faith tea.

6.00-6.30—St. Andrews

7.00-7.30—Queens Drive

Please join us as and when and where you can to celebrate the past and journey to the future.

Revd. Mark Barrett

Financial budgeting for 2015:

We are currently looking at drawing up a financial budget plan for 2015. This will be something that we will refine over time, but to start us off please would all church groups and committees consider what funding they would like to request for 2015 in light of their future plans so that we can start looking at the numbers?

It would also be helpful to have an idea of planned expenditure for the rest of 2014.

Please could you submit your thoughts and figures to Tony Prichard or Trudie Wigley.

Thank you for your help as we think about the stewardship of the financial resources that God has given us to serve this community.

“Walk with Jesus”

Anyone interested in the 10 day **Holy Land Tour** “Walk with Jesus” in February 2015 ? This is an invitation to all who have already booked, and anyone else who may be interested.

Come to a “Get to know you” evening on Friday 1st August 2014 in the snug at St. Paul’s Church at 7—8pm for tea/coffee & bites, and I will update you, and pass out some notes that you will need to know.

Paul Tayler, Tour leader

Hannah Mulcock’s Leadership Training with Scripture Union:

We are delighted that Hannah is starting a year long leadership training course with Scripture Union, developing gifts and exploring a calling to working with children, young people and families. This is a full time course on which Hannah spends 2 days with Scripture Union, 2 days with in:School and 2 days in Dorcan.

This is a wonderful opportunity for Hannah, and also for us as she both serves and develops her leadership skills within the church family.

Within Dorcan, Hannah will be focusing on working with our children and young people and we look forward to her leadership and ideas as we move forward.

ECC have agreed to support Hannah financially with a proportion of the fees for the course, and she still has around £500 to raise. Please do support Hannah in her fund raising activities, and also in praying for her as she embarks on this course.

It is an exciting time ahead for both Hannah and for Dorcan Church.

Congratulations to our university graduates.

Amy will be studying for a masters degree in Archaeology,

Eleanor is now on a librarian course at Cambridge,

Gillian is staying in York to work, and

Of course Hannah is doing an Intern here in Swindon.

Good luck to you all

**Archbishop preaching at Bristol Cathedral
Sunday 14th September at 10.30am**

Each parish is being given 4 tickets for those who wish to attend the Eucharist celebration at Bristol Cathedral at which ++Justin Welby will be preaching.

If you would like to go to this, please let Trudie Wigley know by Monday 1st September, and they will be allocated by “names in a hat” - seems the fairest way to do it!

It is hoped that his sermon will be recorded, enabling it to be shared in churches across the diocese on Sunday 21st September, and we will aim to do this across all three centres in Dorcan on that day.

As in past years during the summer holidays, St. Paul's will only have one morning service at **10.00am** from the 27th July until the end of August.

Notices will be printed fortnightly from today on the 10th and 24th August, and 7th Sept. after which they will continue weekly.

All items for inclusion in the next notices should be sent to
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(please let me know if you would like to receive notices by email)