



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

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28th April, 2013

Staff Team:	Rev. Beth Brown	Tel: 826444
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*Beth has Fridays off - Andrew has Tuesdays and Saturdays off.
Please avoid contacting them at these times if possible.*

SERVICES - 28th April

8.45am No Service

10.00am United All Age Worship Stuart Fisher &
Beth Brown

(Sunday Tots: tba, Sunday Club, All Age)

After the service refreshments will be served followed by the
Dorcan Church AGM at 11.15am

St Tim's & Eldene

10.00am United Service at St. Paul's

Lectionary Readings	Acts 11: 1-18	Rev. 21: 1-6
28th April	Psalms 148	John 13: 31-35

**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—5th May		
St. Paul's		
8.45am	Holy Communion	Andrew Wigley
10.30am	Morning Service	Stuart Fisher
<i>Welcome: Anna & Brian, Teas: Joan & Joy</i> <i>(Sunday Tots: Nathalie Marshall & Niki Thompson, Sunday Club, Activity Packs)</i>		
St. Tim's		
10.30am	Holy Communion	Andrew Wigley
Eldene		
10.30am	Morning Worship	Neil Marshall

Anyone interested in arranging a **SAFARI supper** please come to a meeting to plan one on Monday 29th April, 8pm, 6 Sutton Road, Eldene (Nathalie and Neil's house). We hope to run this as Christian Aid themed and based on the LOAF (Local Organic Animal friendly Fairtrade) principles. All input welcome, especially from anyone who has organised one of these before! More information please contact Nathalie on Tel 421549

<u>NEXT WEEK</u> -	Normal weekly church and small group activities unless you are notified otherwise by group leaders.	
Mon. 29th April	2-4pm	Scrabble & Dominos at St. Tim's
	7.30pm	Fellowship and Bible Study at Thorne Road, Eldene.
	8.00pm	Meeting re Safari Supper at Sutton Road, Eldene
Tues. 30th April	10.00am	Holy Communion at St. Tim's
	7.30pm	Cell Group at Fitzmaurice Close
Weds 1st May	9.30am	Tiny Tots at St. Paul's
	10.45am	Cell Group—Ravenscroft, Covingham
	1.30pm	Tiny Tots at St. Tim's
	7.30pm	Cell Group—Tregantle Walk, Nythe
Thurs. 2nd May	9.30am	Holy Communion at St. Paul's.
	7.30pm	Cell Group - Austen Crescent, Liden
	7.30pm	Cell Group - Bryanston Way, Nythe

Hi everyone,

I just wanted to give you an update on all of the schools work that is going on in your area. I know it has seemed very quiet since I have returned to work in January but I can assure you the opportunities are still plenty.

What's happened so far...? In March 2013 a total of twelve Easter Cracked Open sessions took place in Parks and Walcot, Dorcan and the villages. This resulted in roughly 300 children hearing the Easter story, some for the very first time. The teams did a brilliant job at leading the workshops and the feedback from the teachers and children was fantastic.

What's happening now...? Regular assemblies are starting to get booked up and I have already been in to Covingham and Nythe this term talking about Love and focusing on (1 Corinthians 13 v 4-7). These assemblies have been received really well. I have been asked to take seven RE lessons with the year 6 children at Liden Primary school looking at Pilgrimage.

The Living Church experience for year 3 children. So far a total of 5 sessions are booked up. The Living Church experience helps children to see their local church come alive by helping them to learn about the bible, prayer, serving the community, the Christian calendar and the church building.

What's coming up...? Assemblies focusing on Changes Year 6 transition work Schools team social (Potential date Thursday 18th July, 12.30 at St Andrews Church)

Please pray for...

- Pam and Diane going into Covingham taking regular assemblies
- Abi taking regular assemblies
- The Pilgrimage lessons in Liden Primary school
- The Living Church experience and good feedback from children and teachers
- The teams running the Living Church workshops,

Thank you for your ongoing support, Please continue to be excited about all the many opportunities here in East Swindon and throughout the rest of the town.

Abi

The weekly rotas for St. Paul's are now being planned for the next 3 months. Please let Diane K. (336420) know of any dates that you will be unavailable

I am **giving up chocolate for 100 days** as part of the Turning Point 10 years celebration. Many of you will know just how much of a challenge this will be for me! Please consider sponsoring me at <http://www.justgiving.com/Nathaliesantichocothon> or contact me to pass on donations directly. All donations of chocolate after August 7th gratefully received! (Warning - others will be planning other things for the same reason... keep those pennies rolling!)
Nathalie



PLANT SALE & COFFEE MORNING

In aid of Church Funds
On Saturday 11th May
At St. Tim's from 10am—12 noon.
Contributions of cakes, books and plants
Would be very much appreciated.
More information from Sarah (694188)



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. *Diane K.* (336420)

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'.

Anyone who is interested in joining the team, please contact me (Time commitment: 3 pm - 6.30 pm if possible to help set up & pack away). If you know any **SAFE explosive science experiments** please contact me.

Thanks,
Beth

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)