



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

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SERVICES – Sunday's until further notice
Online only at 10.30 -
<https://www.facebook.com/stpaulsstimothysswindon/>



Psalm 23
NRSV Bible

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall
not want.
He makes me lie down in green
pastures;
he leads me beside still waters;
he restores my soul.
He leads me in right paths
for his name's sake.

Even though I walk through the darkest valley,
I fear no evil; for you are with me;
your rod and your staff - they comfort me.
You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my
life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long.

PHONE ACCESS TO TWO NEW WORSHIP RESOURCES!

Please do pass onto to those
who have no internet access.



We are excited to share that you can now phone a local rate number and hear the latest sermon or reflection offered by the ministry team at Dorcan Church, East Swindon.

This is the same content which is being posted as videos onto our Facebook page – “Dorcan Church Notice Board”

How cool is that!

Our dedicated Dorcan Church number is 01793 379676,
is available 24 hours a day and it only costs you a local rate to call.

Do call in!



A free phone line of hymns,
reflections and prayers

This is a phone line set up by the Church of England which is available 24 hours a day on **0800 804 8044** and it's free! It has been set up particularly with those unable to join online church services during the period of restrictions in mind.

Daily Hope offers music, prayers and reflections as well as full worship services from the Church of England at the end of a telephone line.

Give it a try and you'll find the Archbishop of Canterbury might just answer your call!

Ted and Joyce Ballinger

It is with great sadness, that we announce the passing of our brother in Christ Ted Ballinger. Ted was a strong member of the Dorcan Church and with Joyce, was a Leading light in the Dorcan Senior Citizens club at St Paul's for over 20 years. Ted had not been well for some time and passed away peacefully, at home on the 19th April. Joyce has moved from their house in Linnetsdene to live with her daughter nearby. The funeral for Ted will take place at Kingsdown Crematorium on Tuesday 5th May at 1.30, please pause and remember Joyce and the family in your prayers. It is intended that when we, as a church, can unite again for 'Public Worship', that a memorial thanksgiving service will be held for Ted.



The Queen will commemorate the 75th anniversary of VE Day with a televised address to the nation.

The message will form part of a series of events on 8 May marking the end of World War Two on the continent.

The monarch's pre-recorded address will be broadcast on the BBC at 21:00 - the exact moment her father, King George VI, gave a radio address 75 years ago.

Prayers about the outbreak

Lord Jesus Christ,
you taught us to love our neighbour,
and to care for those in need
as if we were caring for you.
In this time of anxiety, give us strength
to comfort the fearful, to tend the sick,
and to assure the isolated
of our love, and your love,
for your name's sake.

Amen.

God of compassion,
be close to those who are ill, afraid or in isolation.
In their loneliness, be their consolation;
in their anxiety, be their hope;
in their darkness, be their light;
through him who suffered alone on the cross,
but reigns with you in glory,
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

A prayer remembering God is with us

Lord God, you are always with me.
You are with me in the day and in the night.
You are with me when I'm happy and when I'm sad.
You are with me when I'm healthy and when I am ill.
You are with me when I am peaceful and when I am worried.
Today I am feeling (*name how you are feeling*)
because (*reasons you are feeling this way*).
Help me to remember that you love me
and are with me in everything today.

Amen.

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