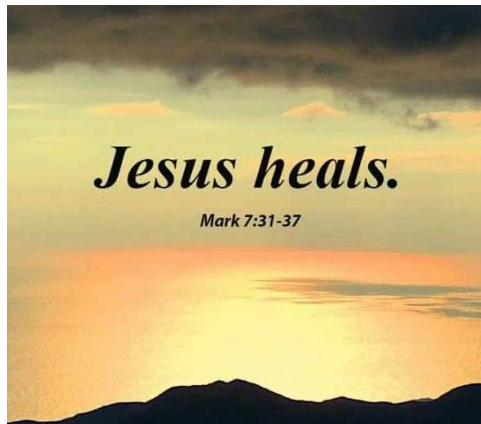




**St. Paul's, Covingham
St. Timothy's, Liden
www.dorcanchurch.org.uk**

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



SERVICES - 5th September 2021

St. Paul's

10.30am	Holy Communion	Rev. Stuart Fisher
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St. Tim's

10.30am	No Service	
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We will be live-streaming St. Paul's Service on the Facebook Page
"Dorcan Church Notice Board"
which you can find at <https://www.facebook.com/stpaulsstimothysswindon/>

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 - 12th September 2021		
St. Paul's		
10.30am	All Age Service	Rev. Trudie Wigley
St. Tim's		
10.30am	Holy Communion	Rev. Stuart Fisher & Deacon Stephen Roe

The Prayer group at St Tim's are delighted to be resuming their meetings on Tuesday 7th September from 10am till noon. Everyone is very welcome to join us for a time of Bible reading and prayer. Hopefully these meetings will continue fortnightly.

The usual Covid safety restrictions will apply, as they are on Sundays in our Churches - masks, sanitising, social distancing etc.

Trish Pilkington, Brenda Phillips

Diary dates - for prayers this week -		
Tues. 7th Sept.	10.00am	Restart of Prayer Group at St. Tim's

New Community Centre Operations Manager

As from the beginning of this month we are pleased to welcome Jenny Hatter who has joined us as an interim Community Centre Operations Manager.

Jenny is actually an employee at Christ Church Community Centre. but joins us on the basis of a service contract to work part-time - 12 hours per week - initially for the next 3 months.

Jenny's primary role will be to manage the Centre bookings for us and to be a point of contact for users of our buildings. The plan is for her to work from the St Paul's office (the vestry) at the following times each week:

Monday: 09.30 - 12.30
Wednesday: 12.30 - 14.30
Thursday: 10.30 - 12.00.

The remainder of her hours will be worked flexibly, either in the office or remotely.

If you do come into contact with Jenny, either in the St Paul's building or through making a booking for one of our rooms, please do make her feel welcome.

Pete Mulcock.

Open Day - Saturday 18th September at 11 Merlin Way, Swindon, SN3 5AN

Stephen and Angela Roe are inviting you to an Open Day at 11 Merlin Way on Saturday 18 September between 10.00am and 12.00 noon, and 1.00pm until 3.00pm.

Nothing formal or fancy, just a chance to call round and meet us, have a cup of tea or coffee, and to see the manse.

It would be lovely to see as many of you as can make it, and to begin to get to know you.

Stephen

Engaging with
Living in Love and Faith.



LIVING
IN LOVE
& FAITH

Living in Love and Faith sets out to inspire people to think more deeply about what it means to be human and to live in love and faith with one another. It tackles the tough questions and the divisions among Christians about what it means to be holy in a society in which understandings and practices of gender, sexuality and marriage continue to change. It seeks to help all members of the Church of England engage with these issues and hear God's voice speaking into society today. The feedback from engagement across the church this year will inform discussions next year on whether or not to change the Church of England's stance on marriage and human sexuality.

We are running the 6 week Living in Love and Faith course in Swindon at various dates and times this Autumn. Please visit <https://bit.ly/SwinLLF> for more details of what you can expect if you take part in a course and how to sign up.

This is an important time for the Church of England's

**Wiltshire Historic Churches Trust Registered Charity
Number 1075598**

Ride & Stride for Churches

Ride+Stride is an important source of funds. As well as boosting your own church's finances for essential repairs and enhancements, Ride+Stride enables Wiltshire Historic Churches Trust to assist churches with grants. In the last five years the Trust has made grants to Wiltshire churches and chapels of all denominations totalling £429,000.

This year's Ride+Stride takes place on Saturday 11th September 2021, and I shall be participating on behalf of the Dorcan Church.

There will be a sponsorship form in both Centres from Sunday 22nd August, (please use the sanitiser available) if you are able to, and would like to, please support this worthy cause, (As a church we have benefited from grants in the past, and will no doubt seek their help in the future)

Alternatively you can donate via Just Giving @
<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/John-Davidson20>.

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Update on Zoe and Harry

Firstly, thank you to each of you who donated to the collection for Zoe, our cleaner, and her premature baby, Harry. I was able to pass this on to her a week ago last Monday, and she was very grateful.

The great news is, though, that close to the end of that week Zoe texted me to say that Harry had been able to come home. This was slightly earlier than she had expected, so a sign of how well, praise God, he is doing. Please continue to remember Zoe and her family in your prayers.

Pete Mulcock.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

as at September 2021

Wednesday 1st September 2021

Deacon Stephen Roe starting in the circuit
as Methodist Minister at Stratton Methodist and Dorcan Church

Friday 3rd September 2021

7.30pm at St. Paul's
Welcome service for Deacon Stephen Roe

Saturday 11th September 2021

Ride+Stride for churches

Saturday 18th September

Stephen and Angela Roe are holding an Open Day
at 11 Merlin Way, 10am-12noon & 1pm until 3pm

Thursday 14th October 2021

7.30pm Deanery Synod

21st October 2021

Engaging with Living in Love and Faith
Courses/discussion groups will take place across
Swindon Deanery including
for 6 weeks from 21st October at 7.30pm at St. Paul's

Sunday 21st November 2021

4pm Ecumenical Confirmation at Holy Trinity, Shaw

All items for inclusion in the next notices should be sent to
Anna Newman by **Wednesday 8th September** Tel 695698
or email anagram673@hotmail.co.uk Thank you.

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