



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

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19th April, 2015

*Jesus stood among them and said to them:  
"Peace be with you"  
Luke 24:36*

## SERVICES - 19th April—3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Easter

### St. Paul's

10.00am

United Holy Communion

Revd A. Ward Jones  
Revd Andrew Wigley

### **A warm welcome to The Revd A. Ward Jones:**

Today we are delighted to have Ward Jones with us, Chair of the Methodist Bristol District, and we look forward to hearing all he has to share with us. Thank you Ward for coming and leading us in worship this morning.

Sunday Club: *Jo and Helen*

The service will be followed by the **Annual Congregational Meeting**

4.00pm

Messy Church

The Amazing team !

**Messy Church!** Thank you so much for all the hard work and enthusiasm put into our last session and I hope you are all feeling ready to go again! Messy church is TODAY and it would be great if volunteers could come to church for 3:15pm. The theme we are looking at is Abraham and Sarah and God's promises. Please still be inviting people and praying for the event.

**Lectionary** Acts 3: 12-19

1 John 3: 1-7

**Readings:** Psalm 4

Luke 24; 36b-48

### **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.**

<b>THIS WEEK</b>		
Monday 20th April	12.45pm 2.00pm 2-4pm 2.15pm 7.30pm 7.30pm	Funeral of Grace Amer Dorcan Property Committee Scrabble & Dominoes at St. Tim's Funeral of Olive Bishop Fellowship Group— Thorne Rd. Eldene Swindon Church Together AGM – The Willows
Tuesday 21st April	9-3.00pm 7.30pm	Communi-TEA party at Morrisons Cell Group— Fitzmaurice Cl. Covingham
Wednesday 22nd April	9.00am 1.30pm 7.30pm	Tiny Tots at St. Paul's Tiny Tots at St. Tim's Cell Group— Tregantle Walk, Nythe
Thursday 23rd April	9.30am 7.30pm 7.30pm	Holy Communion at St. Paul's Cell Group— White Edge Moor, Liden Cell Group— Sutton Road, Eldene
Friday 24th April	8.00pm	Start of 24 hours of prayer for Swindon at St Mary's, Cheney Manor
Saturday 25th April	All day 6.30pm	Methodist Representative Synod Closing worship for 24 hours of prayer for Swindon at St Mary's, Cheney Manor

### **SERVICES—26th April**

#### **St. Paul's**

8.45am	Holy Communion	Canon Raymond Adams
10.30am	Morning Worship	Revd Trudie Wigley
Sunday Club: <i>Activity Packs</i> Welcome: <i>Rosemary &amp; Amy</i> Teas: <i>Hazel &amp; Friend</i>		

#### **St. Tim's**

10.30am	Holy Communion	Canon Raymond Adams
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**Holiday Club!** This is a notice to let you know that Holiday club will be running this year. It will be running during the week commencing 26th July. The material we will be following is Space Academy which will help us to look at the book of Daniel. It would be great if you could start to think about being involved this year and if you are keen to help out during the week please email me ([hannah.mulcock@gmail.com](mailto:hannah.mulcock@gmail.com)) so that we can start the ball rolling!  
Thanks.

### **Annual Congregational Meeting – today!**

Our annual meeting will be held after our united service this morning, and we will hope to start as soon after 11:15 as possible. This will not be a long meeting – we are voting upon the nominations, receiving the Annual Report and Accounts, and will hear the report from the leadership. There is no topic for discussion this year, as we are planning for a ‘vision day’ later in the year. There is much to be thankful for from the past year, and much to look forward to ahead, so please do come along and express your support.

### ***For your prayers:***

***For those who are bereaved:*** that they may be comforted and they will feel God close to them in their grief

***For God’s church:*** For the church across the world to be witnesses and proclaimers of the Good News, and for our part in Dorcan

***For Ward Jones:*** we give thanks for Ward’s ministry, and we pray for him and his wife Linda in the changes ahead as he is “sitting down” after a number of years in this current phase of his ministry

***For Messy Church today:*** For the team and their preparations, and all those who will come to our second session of Messy Church today.

***For migrants leaving their home countries:*** For the many migrants and their safety, and for the world leaders to work together for change for the common good.

### **24 hours of prayer of Swindon:**

From 8pm Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April to 6:30pm Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> April there will be 24 hours of continuous prayer for Swindon at St Mary’s, Cheney Manor Road. On the notice board you will see details of the focus of prayer for each 1 ½ hours. This is a wonderful opportunity to pray for Swindon and was a fruitful time when this was last held prior to the Archbishop’s visit last September. Please do consider popping in if you can.

**Cluster social event - “Cluster Muster”:** Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> May from 4-6pm. We are part of the East Swindon cluster and this is an opportunity to come together socially with some of our cluster friends. There will be games, quizzes and fun for everyone of all ages. It would be lovely to see a number of us there and if you are coming then please do bring a plate of food to share – savoury or sweet. Drinks provided. For more information please see Tony & Jan P. (520734) or Trudie Wigley (326128).

### **Dorcan Senior Citizens**

This group has met in St Paul's hall for a good many years, enjoyed entertainment, gone on holidays and day trips - but unless some one will take on the reins, it will all finish when Ted Ballinger, who has done an incredible job, steps down in October.

Is this something you could help with, do you know someone who would like to assist?? Please think carefully, and pray. Please contact either myself or Ted for further information. Diane 336420 Ted Ballinger 495097

**For your diary**— St Tims are holding their annual **Plant Sale and Coffee Morning** on 16th May—10 am until noon. As usual plants and cakes will be gratefully received. Sarah P.

**Joy would like to thank** everyone for their prayers, cards, and kindness after her recent operation.

**A huge thank-you** to the seven people who went to Diana's and blitzed her house on Thursday. She didn't know we were going and so appreciated all the hard work. Her bathroom shines, kitchen has clear work tops, lounge is de-cluttered. All her ironing done and garden tidied. Diana is amazing—she never grumbles and loves having visitors. She only has carers first thing in the morning and last thing at night and is working hard on her mobility. Thanks. Margaret.

We are pleased to announce that we are holding a

### **Summer Fete - Sat. June 13th 2pm.**

Please see me or Di Killick if you have anything suitable for prizes or Toys, Bric a brac or anything choc for a Choc Tombola. Let your imagination run wild, not just choc to eat but biscuits, cake mixes, face packs look forward to seeing what turns up. We need lots of helpers for the usual stalls so please, please volunteer. Its not just to raise money but to bring our community into the Church. Margaret Tel 532849

All items for inclusion in the next notices should be sent to

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