



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



**SERVICES - Sunday 3rd July 2022
 Trinity 3**

St. Paul's

10-1150am	Breakfast Club	Deb Mulcock & Team
10:30am	United Holy communion	Rev Stuart Fisher
6pm—8pm	Vybe	

St Tim's

	No Service	
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**Welcome to the Dorcan Church.
 If you are new, we would love to get to know you better.**

Please pray for our clergy as they minister to our wider Church family today 3rd July. Neil is at Christchurch supporting the wider Circuit.

SERVICES— Sunday 10th July 2022— Trinity 4

St Paul's		
8:45 am	Morning Worship	Paul Tyler
10.30am	All Age	Rev Trudie Wigley
St Tim's		
10.30	No Service	

Please pray for our clergy as they minister to our wider Church family today 10th July.
Stephen is at Central Swindon & Alex is at Stratton supporting the wider Circuit.

What's on this week

Monday 4th July		
6.30pm-8pm	St Paul's	Parish Council Meeting
Tuesday 5th July		
8.30am-10.00 am	St Tim's	Tea & Toast
10.30am—12.00pm	St Paul's	CID's Coffee morning
10.30am-11.45am	St Tim's	Prayer Group
7.30pm—9.30pm	St Paul's	Bible Study and Prayer Group led by Diane Lane

Wednesday 6th July		
1:15-2:45pm	St Tim's	Tiny Tots
1-3pm	St Paul's	Tiny Tots
6pm—7:30pm	St Paul's	Blaze for school years 2-6
7:30pm—9pm	St Paul's	Youth club for school years 7+
Friday 8th July		
10am—12am	St Tim's	Food collective opening Official Launch
6pm—8pm	St Paul's	BBQ for families and young people Debbie Mulcock

Dates for your Diary as at 1st July 2022

Friday 8th July 2022

9am-1.15pm Food Collective Official Launch
6.30pm-8pm Parish Council Meeting St Pauls

Friday 8th July 2022

7pm-10pm BBQ for families and young people

Friday 7th October 2022

7pm-10pm Family Quiz Night

Thursday 3rd November 2022

7pm ECO Church St Timothy's

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

We continue to regularly review our practice and having sought counsel from ECC, we propose the following as a way forward for the next season. We recognise the diversity of perspectives amongst ourselves as a church family and thank you for your understanding as we find a pragmatic path forward.

Sharing the peace: In addition to signing or waving to those around you, you may wish to now start shaking hands. Please be sensitive to those who may not wish to do this, and we recognise that it may be a bit muddily at first! Also, when we share God's peace with just one other person, it is a symbolic sharing of God's peace with the entire church family, so therefore please continue to share the peace only with those around where you are seated.

Sharing communion in both kinds:

Since returning to public worship we began by offering Communion in one kind – the bread –moving latterly to intinction in the wine by the person celebrating communion.

Changes: At the current time, the Methodist Church has resumed offering wine in individual cups, yet of note is that the Church of England continues to not authorise this practice. Having reviewed our practice, we are pleased to share that we will continue to offer communion in both kinds, by not only continuing intinction by the celebrant, but also offering the common cup using the chalice. When a Methodist Presbyterian from the circuit come to take services, we will be inviting them to use the individual cups reflecting Methodist practice.

It is important to affirm that receiving in both kinds - both bread and wine - is not mandatory. Both our denominations teach that God gives the fullness of grace in Communion, however we receive it, so please don't feel pressured to receive the chalice or intincted wafer if you don't feel comfortable doing so. Receiving in one kind is still "full" communion, although we recognise that being so central to our faith practice, it may not always quite feel so in reality.

Practicalities: We will continue covering the bread and wine, wearing masks and using hand sanitiser during the prayers of consecration and the distribution. For the common cup, a silver chalice will be used and the rim wiped after each communicant, and the chalice then turned. Silver and alcohol when in contact have antiseptic properties.

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We will also start to meet at the altar rail for the distribution, standing or kneeling as you prefer. Please wait until everyone at the rail has received and left before coming forward to the altar rail. This will make it easier for us to distribute and minimise confusion as we settle in this practice.

When it comes to your turn to receive, please nod your head to indicate if you would like to receive an intincted wafer. You will then be given a wafer that the officiant has dipped in the wine for you – this will be non-alcoholic wine. If you do not nod, then you will receive just the bread and you then have the option of receiving from the chalice. If you do not wish to receive from this common cup then please keep your hands to your sides, or cross your arms over your chest.

Further comments:

We understand that setting out the procedure like this can make it sound more complex than it is, and leads to thoughts of *“it wasn’t like this at the last supper”*. We agree! However, we want everyone to feel safe and these next steps seem to be a sensible way of achieving this – for now.

Thank you for your understanding and please do touch base with any of us if you would like to discuss this further.

God bless you. *Trudie, Stephen, Stuart*

Trudie – summer availability

You may be aware that Trudie’s sabbatical last year was shortened for various reasons relating to the changes in ministry at Dorcan. The diocese therefore offered and agreed to carrying forward two weeks to this summer to be taken in conjunction with a usual break with her family. This was shared and noted at Standing Committee in February 2021. She will therefore be away from the end of July to the first weekend in September. Trudie is very grateful for this generosity and opportunity, and especially to those here in Dorcan who are enabling this extended break to become a reality. We wish her and the family well as she completes her sabbatical – and you may like to know that it’s 10 years until the next one

Thank you to our musicians!

We all very much missed singing as we journeyed through Covid and it is great that we are now able to regularly sing our praises to God. We are very thankful to all our musicians for their musical ministry and supporting our worship in this special way – thank you!

Going forward, with sadness, Sherry! Bareham is no longer able to attend on a Sunday morning but we may well still see her at other times. We thank her for her music and wonderful playing over the last season at St Paul's. Therefore Francis and Pete's fingers will be increasingly busy going forward! There may be times that they will welcome just "being" and worshipping with us in the congregation, for some or all of the service. Therefore if you see them and we are using pre-recorded music, and/or or a mixture of musical accompaniment which reflects our range of musical styles, please rest assured that we still love them and their ministry! Thank you for your support and appreciation of our musicians – and a big thank you again to them! (And if you are a closet musician, Pete would love to hear from you!)

Trudie Wigley

ECO Tip

Going for a day out to the beach? Take a bag in your pocket and pick up any litter you see. .



Guests from Ukraine

Lots of you have said that we should ask if there is anything you can do to help us in hosting Kateryna, Liuda and Yuliia, for which we are very grateful.

They have registered for an English for Speakers of Other Languages Summer School at Cirencester College from Monday 18 July - Friday 29 July (not the weekend). They need to be at the College for 12 noon each day, and the course finishes at 3.30pm. So if anyone is able to give them a lift to Cirencester, perhaps have lunch and a few hours in Cirencester, and bring them back, please let us know and we will draw up a Rota.

Stephen and Angela

Welcome Service

A Circuit Welcome Service will be held on Friday 2 September at 7.30pm at Bath Rd Methodist Church, Swindon to welcome Revd Rach Collins as the new minister of Bath Rd, St Andrew's Moredon and Rodbourne Methodist Churches. Revd David Gray will also be welcomed as the new Circuit Superintendent minister. Please ask Stephen if you want more details.

Christmas Unwrapped

An invitation....."Come and see what we do"

Just a reminder of the meeting at St Tims, Mon 11th July 1.30 til 3
We intend to remind ourselves of the activities, sort resources and plan some dates to invite schools in.

It's a good opportunity for anyone interested to come along, have some refreshments, find out a bit more and enjoy some fellowship together.

See you there!

Sue and Jo

Family Quiz Nite at St Paul's

We have a date for your diary. **Friday 7th October 2022.**

The Venue will be St Paul's hall. Start time 7.00pm—10.00pm
Team numbers up and no more than six persons.

Quizzing is about having fun and learning something new

All proceeds to the Dorcan Church. More details to follow

*A Little **Light** Music for a
Summer Evening*

**Swindon
Male Voice Choir**

Director of Music:

Kirstie Smith

Accompanists:

Kate Lock & Victoria Burton

Rachel Smith
Soprano

Simon Grove
Baritone

Paul Franklin
Tenor

St John's Church

Whitbourne Avenue

Swindon SN3 2LG

Saturday 9th July 2022 7.30pm

Supporting Prospect Hospice and Swindon MVC

Tickets £ 7.50 - Available from :

SMVC Ticket Point 01793 822495

Email: swindonmalevoicechoir@msn.com

Choir members—at the door



Quiz Time—just for fun

Please see answers to last weeks quiz

Quiz answers

1. Who assassinated Abraham Lincoln while he watched a play at Ford's Theatre in April of 1865 **John Wilkes Booth**
2. What name is given for the highest state of enlightenment in Buddhism **Nirvana**
3. In which Canadian city were the 1988 Winter Olympics held **Calgary**
4. What creature is known to kill its prey by constriction and then swallow it whole **Python**
5. If you want to play a C major chord on a piano, you would play the C,E and which third note **G**

This week's quiz

1. From which 1979 film do we get the quote, "He's not the Messiah, he's a very naughty boy"
2. One of the few English words that can be spelled with Roman numerals is MIX, which is what amount
3. The word veal refers to the meat of which young animal (as opposed to a mature animal)
4. Which continent has the driest climate, and also has the highest average elevation
5. The setter dog consists of Irish, English, Irish red and white and which fourth breed

Good Luck

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