



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



SERVICES - Sunday 4th September 2022
12th Sunday after Trinity

St. Paul's

10.30am	United Holy Communion	Rev Trudie Wigley & Deacon Stephen Roe
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St Tim's

	No Service	
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Please pray for our clergy as they minister to our wider Church family today 4th September. Neil is at Pewsey and Alex is at Rodbourne supporting the wider Circuit.

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— Sunday 11th September 2022.
13th Sunday after Trinity**

St Paul's		
10.30am	All Age	Rev Stuart Fisher
1pm	Christening of Mia Grace-Rogers	Rev Stuart Fisher
St Tim's		
10.30am	Holy Communion	Rev Trudie Wigley & Rev Moira Slack

Please pray for our clergy as they minister to our wider Church family today 11th September.. Stephen is at Stratton supporting the wider Circuit

What's On September

Tuesday 6th	Time	Event
St Tim's St Paul's St Tim's St Paul's	08.30—10.00am 10.30am—12.00pm 10.30am—11.45am 7.30pm—9.30pm	Tea and Toast CID's Coffee morning Prayer Group Bible Study and Prayer Group led by Diane Lane
Wednesday 7th	Time	Event
St Paul's St Tim's St Paul's St Paul's	1pm—3pm 1pm –3pm 6pm—7.30pm 7.30pm—9pm	Tiny Tots Tiny Tots Blaze for school years 2 –6 Youth Club for school years 7+
Friday 9th		
St Tim's	10am –12pm	Food Collective

Dates for your Diary

As at 1st September 2022

Friday 2nd September

Welcome service at Bath Road Methodist Church for Rev Rach Collins the new minister of Bath Rd, St Andrews Morden & Rodbourne Methodist Churches & also Rev David Gray as the new Circuit Superintendent.

Sunday 4th September 2022

Bring and Share service.

Sunday 10th September

Wiltshire Historic Churches Trust ride + Stride. Our very own Johns Davidson will be participating this year to raise money for the Trust and Dorcan church. Sponsorship forms at either church or you can donate online at www.justgiving.com/fundraising/John-Davidson25

Wednesday 14th September

9am-10am Restart of our weekly morning prayers in the old library with Barbara Wilcox

Friday 7th October 2022

Family Quiz Nite at 7pm until 10pm at St Paul's hall and snug

Thursday 3rd November 2022

7pm ECO Church St Timothy's

Sharing of creative ideas seen over the summer

At our AGM you may remember that we shared about a “Focus group”, a new working group accountable to the ECC. This group is tasked with focusing and leading our work on shaping a future strategy and direction for Dorcan church following Building God’s House. It is a place where creative ideas can be shared and received, where the discernment process is overseen (which will engage the whole church) and from where priorities are recommended to ECC.

We have recently had our first meeting and began to think about how we might embark on our vision post Building God’s House. To get us started as a church, one idea was looking at what other churches do and why. Over the summer more of us tend to visit other churches whilst we are away and we would be grateful if you could share good ideas that you pick up from churches you visit – in particular how they serve their particular unique community - what kind of mission and mission do they focus on and, if you get into conversation, what has worked and what have they learned from things which haven’t been so successful. Could what you learn from your visits trigger some ideas for us at Dorcan? Please do share what you pick up with the Focus group – it will be very helpful indeed.

As a church we are at the very early stages of discerning a vision and our priorities. Over the coming months and into 2023 we will be exploring this further, engaging all of us as a church. In the meantime, as we start this journey, please start thinking and praying about our mission and ministry in this community, and our centres at St Timothy’s and St Paul’s.

With thanks to you all.

Trudie, on behalf of the Focus Group

Joan McCann, Claire Rose, John Davidson, Nathalie Marshall.

Stuart Fisher, Stephen Roe, Trudie Wigley

ECO Tip

Light bulbs! If the average household replaced all of their bulbs with LEDs, it would cost about £100 and save about £35 a year on bills.

www.energysavingtrust.org.uk/home-energy-efficiency/energy-saving-quick-wins

Tea & Toast

We hope to restart Tea & Toast soon, at St Tim's on Tuesdays from 8.30am - 10.00am. A big thank you to all the volunteers who help with this. However, due to work commitments, one of our regular leaders is no longer available. This leaves us short of at least one person, so if you feel called to offer for this outreach activity, which may become even more important as autumn and winter kick in, and if you would like to know more about what is involved, please see Stephen or Trudie.

Swindon Food Collective Donations

If you donate to the Swindon Food Collective they are currently in need of men's razors, shaving gel or cream and shower gel. Thank you for your continued support, donations can be left at St. Paul's and St. Tim's churches.

From the St. Tim's SFC team.

WILTSHIRE HISTORIC CHURCHES TRUST RIDE+STRIDE 10th SEPTEMBER 2022

I shall be participating in this event on 10th September, any monies raised will be shared between the Trust and the Dorcan Church. Sponsorship forms will be in both centres from 28th August, or alternatively you may donate on line

John Davidson

www.justgiving.com/fundraising/John-Davidson25

Many thanks

John

BRING AND SHARE

Sunday 4th September after the 10.30am service at St Paul's

A chance to meet up and spend time together as a Church with our Clergy.

A list of food is available for you to sign up to bring at each centre.

PLEASE DO COME ALONG
EVERYONE WELCOME.



PRAYER MINISTRY

We are very pleased to announce that 'Prayer Ministry' will be available at Holy Communion on Sunday 4th September. This will now be a regular feature on the first Sunday of each month. However, we will be praying *after* the service, and not during the service as before. It will take place in a quiet corner of the chapel, and anyone who would like prayer will be assured that confidentiality will be maintained. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to speak with Sue or myself. With God's blessings
Barbara

Link to Hope Christmas Shoeboxes

Please be aware that shoeboxes for Link to Hope need to be in by the end of OCTOBER this year! Please pick up a leaflet in church or see <https://linktohope.co.uk/shoebox-appeal-2022/> for more information.

Any questions please contact Paul Taylor.



Answers to last quiz

1. In which of the following Olympic throwing events would an item be thrown the farthest: Javelin, Hammer, Discus, Shot put
= **Javelin**
2. What is the name of Mel Gibson's character from the movie 'Braveheart' **William Wallace**
3. 'Ming the Merciless' is the evil ruler of planet Mongo in which comic strip that debuted in 1934 **Flash Gordon**
4. Which is the hardest of the following four substances, measuring at an 8 on the Mohs scale: Quartz, Gypsum, Apatite, Topaz + **Topaz**
5. From the original 'Seven wonders of the ancient world', in which city would the hanging gardens be found **Babylon**

This week's quiz

1. Which of these planets has a retrograde rotation, revolving in a direction opposite that of earth: Mars, Venus, Jupiter, Saturn
 2. On what item would you find an ISBN
 3. A cube has 6 faces and 8 vertices (corners) but how many edges
 4. In which sport would an athlete perform a Fosbury flop
 5. What fruit is Eve supposed to have eaten in the Garden of Eden after being tempted by the devil
- Good luck

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

NOTICES

All items for inclusion in the next notices should be sent by **Tuesday 6th September 2022** to notices@dorcanchurch.org.uk
Thank you.

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