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SERVICES - Sunday 10th July 2022 Trinity 4				
St. Paul's				
8:45 am	Morning Worship	Paul Tayler		
10:30am	All Age	Rev Trudie Wigley		
St Tim's				
	No Service			

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 10th July.

Stephen is at Central Swindon & Alex is at Stratton supporting the wider Circuit.

SERVICES— Sunday 17th July 2022— Trinity 5

St Paul's					
10:30 am	Morning Worship	Rev Stuart Fisher			
St Tim's					
10.30 am	Holy Communion	Rev Trudie Wigley			
Please pray for our clergy as they minister to our wider Church family					

today 17th July. Neil is at Pewsey & Stephen is at Stratton supporting the wider Circuit.

What's on this week					
Monday 11th July 4.30pm-7pm	St Paul's	Standing Committee Meeting			
Tuesday 12th July					
8.30am-10.00 am	St Tim's	Tea & Toast			
10.30am—12.00pm	St Paul's	CID's Coffee morning			
1:30 – 2:30pm	Eldene Primary School	It's your move Rev Stuart Fisher Diane Killick			
7.30pm—9.30pm	St Paul's	Bible Study and Prayer Group led by Diane Lane			

Wednesday 13th July		
1:15-2:45pm	St Tim's	Tiny Tots
1-3pm	St Paul's	Tiny Tots
6pm—7:30pm	St Paul's	Men's Christian Fellowship
Friday 8th July		
10am—12am	St Tim's	Food collective

4th September

Bring and Share after the 10:30 Service, details to follow.

<u>Christmas Unwrapped</u> <u>An invitation......"Come and see what we do"</u>

Just a reminder of the meeting at St Tims, Mon 11th July 1.30 till 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

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 Presbyter 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

ECO Tip

Take your phone charger out of the socket when not in use. It uses energy even when it's not charging your phone.



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.

Quiz Time—just for fun



Please see answers to last weeks quiz

Quiz answers

- 1. From which 1979 film do we get the quote, "He's not the Messiah, he's a very naughty boy" Life of Brian
- 2. One of the few English words that can be spelled with Roman numerals is MIX, which is what amount 1009
- 3. The word veal refers to the meat of which young animal (as opposed to a mature animal) Cow
- 4. Which continent has the driest climate, and also has the highest average elevation Antarctica
- 5. The setter dog consists of Irish, English, Irish red and white and which fourth breed Gordon

This week's quiz

- 1. The city of Tallinn will be found in which country
- 2. The work of art titled 'At the Moulin Rouge' was painted by which French artist
- 3. What is the second European island by size after Great Britain
- 4. Saffron, the world's most expensive spice, over 90% of which is Produced in Iran, comes from which flower
- 5. You will need to be a very good boy if you want Grandma to buy you pizza. (what 6 letter animal is hidden in the sentence)

Good Luck

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.



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