



St. Paul's Covingham
St. Timothy's, Liden
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25th October, 2015

Transforming lives and communities
Knowing Jesus and making Him known

“The Lord has done great things for us
and we are filled with joy”

Psalm 126:3

SERVICES - 25th October

St. Paul's

8.45am Holy Communion Rev'd Stuart Fisher

10.30am Baptism Rev'd Stuart Fisher

We offer a joyful welcome this morning to the Dawkins, Cox and Moor families and their friends as we welcome Imogen Dawkins and Carrah-Maii Moor into the family of Christ, in their baptism.

St. Tim's

10.30am Morning Worship Paul Tayler

Today Alex Scott is at Rodbourne supporting the wider Methodist circuit.

Lectionary	Job 42: 1-6, 10-17	Hebrews 7: 23-28
Readings	Psalm 34: 1-8, (9-22)	Mark 10: 46-52
25th Oct.		

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.

What's on this week -

Small groups and Cell Groups - please keep in touch with your leaders for dates and venues. If you would like to join one, please speak to one of the Ministers or Church Wardens.

Monday 26th October	2-4pm	Scrabble and Dominoes at St. Tim's
Tuesday 27th October	7.30pm	Men's Fellowship Group at Colin's home - Ecklington - Subject: Music
Wednesday 28th October	9.00am 1.30am	NO Tiny Tots at St Paul's (half term) NO Tiny Tots at St Tim's (half term)
Thursday 29th October	9.30am	Holy Communion at St Paul's
Friday 30th October	2-4pm	The Friday Club at St. Paul's Quiz afternoon - All welcome

SERVICES 1st November**St. Paul's**

10.30am	United Holy Communion	Alex Scott and Rev'd Trudie Wigley
Welcome: <i>Dennis Joy</i> , Teas: <i>Pam & Mari</i> , Sunday Club: <i>Cathy & Helen</i>		
4.00pm	Informal Worship	Rev'ds Trudie and Andrew Wigley

Tea & Praise: next Sunday – 1st November:

.....just for November, we will be moving from our usual pattern of the 2nd Sunday of the month, to next Sunday – 1st November. Usual time of 4pm and we look forward to starting with tea and cakes and then worshipping together. See you there!

Living with loss – Sunday 8th November 4pm - St Pauls:

We will be holding our annual "Living with Loss" service on Sunday 8th November at 4pm at St Pauls. This service is to remember anyone whom we have loved and lost – whether recent or a number of years ago. All are welcome, and please do consider who you might personally invite who have been bereaved. Invitations are available today.

Samaritans Purse Shoe Boxes.

The **Leaflets** are in both centres now and some **Hats** are left at **St. Pauls**. The collection day will be on the **15th Nov.** cost for **boxes to travel is still £3**

We realize now it may be too difficult for some people to completely fill a whole box or cover one; but if you would still like to be involved you can buy a few things and give them to Christine or Jan or in basket under the table marked 'shoe box' anytime from now to the 13th November, where we will be meeting Friday afternoon to pack, cover and fill boxes. Or you can just put some money in an envelope and mark it shoe boxes.

Please note all the Samaritan Purse's folding boxes from last year have been given out, so please get your own box. Or we may still be able to buy some? They come in a packs of 50 if we need to buy them we need to have a good number of people requiring them?

If any one wants to help check the boxes this year, training for checkers is on Saturday 7th November at 10.0 o'clock at Moravian church hall in Dixon Street.

More information on www.operationchristmaschild.org.uk

Future Dates for the diary As at October 2015

Saturday 31st October 2015

Autumn Barn Dance 7.30pm at St. Paul's
Hosted by the Wednesday small group

Sunday 8th November 2015

"Living with Loss" 4pm St Pauls
A service to remember those loved ones who have died

Saturday 14th November

Quiet Day for Churchwardens - Bristol Cathedral 10-4pm, led by +Lee

Saturday 28th November

Dorcan Christmas Fayre - Details to follow!

Saturday 5th December 2015

Bristol Diocese Synod

Sunday 6th December 2015

Revd Mark Barrett, Superintendent North Wiltshire Circuit
Preaching at our United Service

Thursday 31st December 2015

New Year's Eve Party at St. Paul's

Saturday 16th May 2016

Safeguarding Leadership Training (SG2) at St Paul's 10-4pm
For Churchwardens, LLMs, supervisors/leaders of children & young people's work
or work with vulnerable adults

For your prayers:

- That this October break may be a time of refreshment for pupils, teachers and staff
- For those who find the darker nights and winter months difficult
- For government policy makers, that they might work to close the gap of wealth inequality
- Those who are unwell, and those awaiting hospital test and results
- Those working as chaplains in Swindon

Taize service – Sunday 8th November 6pm at St Margaret’s, Stratton:

If you enjoying singing and/or Taize, please come and join us. Taize is a wonderful way to join together in contemplative worship. Even our practice sessions feel like worship. We will be meeting to sing on the following dates, just come along to as many as you are able.

6th November @ 7.30pm; 8th November @ 4.30pm;

Service 8th November @ 6.00pm.

Further details from Revd Helen tel: 01793 821412

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT FROM SWINDON FOODBANK

A request with a difference.....due to the overwhelming support received during the Harvest period, Foodbank are requesting **NO FURTHER**

DONATIONS OF FOOD/TOILETRIES. They are extremely grateful for all previous donations, and if you feel you would wish to continue offering support, monetary gifts would be very welcome.

Any queries please do not hesitate to contact Diane K

A big thank you from John:

John thanks us all for the collection of bin bags to use on his recent trip to Calais to help clear rubbish. John shares that nothing could have prepared him for what he experienced, and he has written a reflection together with some photos of life for the refugees in Calais. Paper copies of his reflections are available today so please do take a copy and pray around the whole situation, and also for the safety of those who are helping in the face of opposition.

There is now a basket containing thank you cards near the door to the church.

This is for anyone to use to thank the lovely hardworking people at our Church. This idea came from a Lent group. Debbie M.

Cantores next concerts -

Francisco Valls – Missa Scala Aretina

G F Handel – Let They Hand Be Strengthened

G F Handel – The King Shall Rejoice

Have you heard of the composer Francisco Valls, born 1672 in Barcelona? Alongside two favourite pieces by Handel, Cantores will be performing Valls' most famous work, Missa Scala Aretina, in their next two concerts.

Although this work was performed many times in Valls' lifetime, it was only rediscovered in 1978 and had its first modern performance in London that year.

It is a huge work, scored for three separate choirs, violins, cornetti* and continuo and we are lucky enough to have two excellent cornett players coming to play for us along with our favourite string players.

The concerts will be on [21 November at the Church of St Peter and St Paul in Northleach, at 7.30pm](#) and on [28 November at St Mary's Church Prestbury, near Cheltenham starting at 7.00pm](#) (note time!)

Tickets £15 on the door, £12 in advance & children free, from Nathalie telephone 421549

**Cornetti are not ice-creams or an Italian version of croissants, but early wind instruments popular from 1500-1650, a curved wooden instrument with a trumpet-like mouthpiece so do come along and hear what a marvellous sound they make.*

Leila and I are organizing **Christmas Unwrapped sessions** for the local schools and if you feel you would like to be involved this year please contact us . We would be happy to explain what happens and let you know the dates booked. You would get far more out of it than you give and share in the joy of knowing the children go back to school having had a fun time and know the real Christmas Story.

Margaret H.

All items for inclusion in the next notices should be sent to
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(please let me know if you would like to receive notices by email)