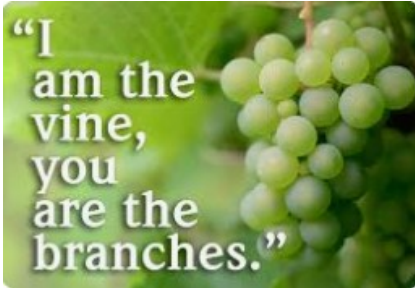




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*Transforming lives and communities
Knowing Jesus and making Him known*



SERVICES Sunday 28th April 2024 Easter 5		
St. Paul's		
10.30am	All Age	Rev Stuart Fisher
St Tim's		
10.30am	Holy Communion	Rev Trudie Wigley

Please pray for our clergy as they minister to our wider Church family today 28th April 2024, Neil is at Bath Road 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 28th April 2024 Easter 5		
St Paul's		
08.45am	Holy Communion	Rev Moira Slack
10.30am	Tea and Praise	Rev Trudie Wigley
St Tim's		
10.30am	Morning Worship	LLM Paul Tayler

Please pray for our clergy as they minister to our wider Church family today 5th May 2024, Alex is at Chiseldon and Stephen is at Stratton supporting the wider Circuit.

What's On This Week		
Monday 29th April	Time	Event
Liden School	9.00am - 11.00am	School Assembly - Rev Trudie Wigley
Tuesday 30th April	Time	Event
St Tim's St Paul's St Tim's St Paul's	10.00am - 12.00pm 10.00am - 12.00pm 2.00pm - 3.15pm 7.30pm - 9.30pm	CID's Café Too CID's Coffee Morning Prayer Group Bible Study - Small Hall
Wednesday 1st May	Time	Event
St Paul's St Tim's St Paul's St Paul's	1.00pm - 3.00pm 1.00pm - 3.00pm 6.00pm - 7.30pm 7.30pm - 9.00pm	Tiny Tots Tiny Tots Blaze for School year 2-6 Youth Club for School Year 7+

What's On This Week (Continued)

Thursday 2nd May	Time	Event
St Paul's	7.00am - 10.00pm	Polling Station for SBC Local Elections
Friday 3rd May	Time	Event
St Tim's	10.00am - 12.00pm	Food Collective - Paul

Forth coming events

The fundraising committee to be hereby known as **'The Roofers'** have a number of social events planned for this year. If you would like to get involved in any small or big way, then please make yourself known to either Diane K, Clare and Chris R, Barbara W, Dianne L, Claire G, Colin P, Tony P, Angela D or Herman.

See events below:

Friday 10th May Quiz night— **See attached poster**

Friday 28 June Ladies Evening

Saturday 6th July North Swindon Big Band

Summer afternoon cream tea, date to be advised,
Swindon Male voice choir, date to be advised and more events to follow.

If there are any other ideas, please let us know.

Date for the Diary – 23rd June 2024. Visit from +Neil

At 10:30am at St Paul's 23rd June + Neil will be joining us. Neil Warwick is the new bishop of Swindon and we look forward to warmly welcoming him and getting to know him. There will be refreshments and a celebratory cake to share after the service.

Electoral Roll – now closed

Copies of the electoral roll are now displayed in both churches.

Please do check that your name is on it if you think it should be - and also if your name appears and it shouldn't!

If any amendments are required, please do speak with Barbara Wilcox our Electoral roll officer, or the steward on duty, or our church administrator, Maggie, on 01793 435987 or by email on docan.church.office@gmail.com.

Thank you!

North Swindon Big Band, Saturday 6th July 7:30-10:30. St. Paul's Church Centre

If you enjoy live music this event is for you, listen and dance to songs from the 1930's to present day. Tickets £10pp, from the office, refreshments available or bring your own. This is a big fundraiser for the roof so please support us and tell your friends and family.

**Many thanks,
Brenda Fisher and the Roofers.**

Roof Fund Update

The roof fund currently stand at £11,300.

Anyone currently receiving the newsletter at church on a Sunday, and are now able to receive an email copy, please send your email address to Herman on notices@dorcanchurch.org.uk . and you will be added to the mailing list.

**“The Rock on which we build”
Reflective Day – Saturday 18th May –
10:30am-3pm
Liddington Village Hall**

It is confirmed that we will be going ahead with our reflection day.
The sign-up sheets are still out in both churches so please do add your name if you are coming so we know for refreshments.

We are invited to gather together as church family for this time of reflection and sharing. We will be led by Rev Moira Slack and this will be a chance to be together in worship and thought as we reflect on God as our rock and the foundation on which we build. We are meeting at Liddington Village Hall, only 10minutes drive away and, weather permitting, gives the opportunity for local walks. Please bring your own packed lunch, and tea and coffee will be provided.

Our various times together have been special in their own ways, and we pray that we might be able to gather once again to learn, reflect and just enjoy God, and one another.

Trudie

Tea and Praise – moved from 4pm 21st April

Our next Tea-and-praise service will now be at 10:30am on 5th May. This is not a united service (this is the following week for our AGM) and there will also be services at St Paul’s at 8:45am and St Timothy’s 10:30am. We will have the “tea” bit of the Tea and Praise after the service instead! Thank you.

Trudie

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

10:30am Sunday 12th May 2024

We are gathering for our Annual General Meeting on Sunday 12th May and, in a change this year, we are holding this before our regular worship service. The AGM will be short and will focus on the business we are required to address under charity law and our parent denominations' processes. The service which follows will include a celebration and thanksgiving for all that has been over the last year. We will begin with tea, coffee and refreshments available from 10:10am, our AGM will start at 10:30am and our worship will be finished by 12noon.

Everyone has a part to play. On Friday 19th May 2024 an email was circulated of how we can all play a part in the life and mission of God's church here at Dorcan. Hard copies are still available in both churches. Please do read this and consider how you might be able to help and support, including standing for some of our elected positions.

Written annual report and accounts: These will be circulated electronically before this Sunday (28th April) and hard copies will also be available in both churches this Sunday. The report is a wonderful celebration of who we are and our ministry and is an encouraging read – so please do read it and be uplifted!

See you at the AGM and for the worship which follows.

Families from Afghanistan

Lyneham Methodist Church are supporting some families from Afghanistan who are being housed at the RAF base there. They have provided some raised beds for growing vegetables, and a space for some of the women to meet. They now need children's books suitable for ages 0-16. Please bring any you can offer to St Paul's or St Tim's and I will pass them on.

Stephen

'Thank You' from Finance Committee

As we approach the Church Annual Meeting, we are wanting to thank all of you who kindly give in any way to this Church. Your contributions whether these be financial, or of your time and effort, or of something else, are all greatly appreciated. Thank you!

Regarding financial giving:

We have produced a letter for those of you known to us through one of the regular giving schemes (i.e. Parish Giving, the Envelope Scheme, or you give by Standing Order). Please collect your letter from St Paul's or St Tim's. If you believe that you should be receiving one of these, but can't locate it, please do let us know.

We also say a big 'Thank you' to you' too, if you donate anonymously and are not known to us. Your gifts are very important to us as well. However, if you'd like to find out more about any of the regular giving schemes mentioned above, please do contact us. Speak to Tony Prichard (Treasurer) or Pete Mulcock, or email treasurer@dorcanchurch.org.uk

And finally...

We also thank those of you who give in ways that are not financial. Gifts of time, talents, energy and effort are all vital to the mission and ministry of this Church. So another big 'Thank you' to those of you who contribute in these ways.

Pete Mulcock on behalf of Finance Committee

**Don't forget the AGM
Sunday 12th May 2024 @ 10.30am**



Answers to last week's quiz

1. How many Postcode are there in the UK. Is it 1.6 million, **1.8 million** or 2 million?
2. What was the band Oasis first Number 1 single? = **Some might say**
3. Which British singer won 5 Grammy awards in 2008? = **Amy Winehouse**
4. What animal is also known as a sea cow? = **Manatee**
5. Which member of the Beatles is seen crossing the road first on the Abbey road album? = **John Lennon**

This week's Quiz

General Knowledge.

1. Transylvania is a region in which country?
2. In 2014, which film became the highest grossing animated film?
3. The Great dividing range is a mountain range in which country. Is it Australia , New Zealand, South Africa or Canada.?
4. Rabat is the second largest city in which country?
5. What is another name for Uluru?

Good Luck

ECO Tip

Move your pension, if you can, to an ethical environmental provider who is not investing your money in fossil fuels. Ethical Consumer (like *Which?*) provide independent advice www.ethicalconsumer.org

NOTICES

All items for inclusion in the next notices should be sent by **Tuesday 30th April 2024**

to notices@dorcanchurch.org.uk

Thank you.

These notices are also available on-line at

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You will have noticed we no longer pass the offering basket round.

Scan this QR code with your mobile phone to make your offering.

Tony Prichard and the Finance Sub Committee



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Fundraising

Quiz Night



Friday 10th May
In the hall

Doors open 7pm for
7.30pm start.

£3.00 per person (teams of
2 to 6 people)

Bring your
own drink



For further information and
reserve a table

Call: 07920 649 440

Or email:

notices@dorcanchurch.org.uk



North Swindon Big Band

with Pauline Richings and Ken Jell

www.northswindonbigband.co.uk

Saturday 6th July 7:30-10:00

Tickets £10, from St. Paul's Church Centre Office

Join us for an

enjoyable evening of music and dancing

With the

North Swindon Big Band

**This is our BIG fundraiser for the roof repairs.
refreshments will be on sale, or bring your own.**

**a 20 piece Big Band playing a wide range of music
from the Swing and Dance era of the 1930s
through to the present day.**

Repertoire includes Glenn Miller, Duke Ellington, Count Basie, Frank Sinatra and Sammy Nestico.

The North Swindon Big Band can take you back to the golden era of the big band sounds



**Dorcan Church St. Paul's Roof
Fundraising Appeal**