



St. Paul's Covingham
 St. Timothy's, Liden
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7th February 2016

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



*"I will be their God,
 and they shall be my people"*

Jeremiah 31:33

SERVICES - 7th February

St. Paul's

10.30am	United Covenant Service with Holy Communion	Rev'ds Trudie and Andrew Wigley
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During communion today there will be an opportunity to receive prayer. If you would like to receive this ministry, then after having come to the table, please come to the area to the left of the communion table where there will be a team offering confidential and personal prayer.

12.30pm	Lunch to mark launch of our Lent Course "Life Calling"
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St. Tim's	At St. Paul's
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Readings 7th February	Isaiah 6: 1-8 Psalm 138	1 Corinthians 15: 1-11 Lukje 5: 1-11
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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 8th February	2-4pm	Monday Club - Scrabble and Dominoes
Tuesday 9th February		Shrove Tuesday
Wednesday 10th February	9.00am 1.30pm 7.30pm	Tiny Tots at St Paul's Tiny Tots at St Tim's Service of communion with ashing at St. Tim's
Thursday 11th February	am 9.30am	Clergy Chapter in Pinehurst Holy Communion at St. Paul's
Friday 12th February	12 noon 12.45pm 3.30pm	Funeral of Derek Sadler at Kingsdown Funeral of Leslie Grace at Kingsdown Finance Committee St Paul's vestry
Saturday 13th February	10-12am	Deanery prayers for mission at Christ Church, Old Town



Ash Wednesday: 10th February 2016

We start Lent with this communion service, including ashing, at St Timothy's at 7:30pm.

All are warmly welcome as we start our Lenten journey together.

SERVICES 14th February

St. Paul's

8.45am Holy Communion Rev'd Stuart Fisher

10.30am All Age Service Ignite and Vybe

Welcome: *Ignite/Vybe*, Teas: *Joan & Jean*, Sunday Club: *All Age Service*

4.00pm Tea and Praise Rev'd Trudie & Andrew Wigley

St. Tim's

10.30am Morning Worship Alex Scott

Lent Course – Life Calling
- starts week commencing Monday 15th February

We are delighted that around 60 people have signed up for our Lent Course, “Life Calling”. There are a number of groups meeting, as well as our regular mid-week evening groups, and there is an additional day time group on Thursday afternoons. Course handbooks will be available for just £2 each – please see your group leaders for your copy.

So far, there has been insufficient interest in attending a one-day offering of the course on Saturday 5th March. So, if you have yet to sign up for that Saturday, please do so by 21st February in case it is possible to run a course that day. Finally, a reminder for those who have already signed up for the luncheon launch of the course, we will be eating at 12:30pm today!



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Ministry team

Will you come and worship together at the all age service next Sunday?

Next Sunday our young people in Ignite and Vybe are leading us in our worship. Will you be there to support them and to worship together as a church family?

All age services are not just for children, they are for us all to come together and also provide a welcoming place for those who may be unfamiliar with more traditional patterns of worship. Even if your preference is for a different way of worship, this is an opportunity once a month to gather together as God’s people. We hope to see you next week and to hear all that our young people will share with us in worship.



For your prayers -

- The continuing refugee crisis
- Containment of the Zika virus
- The EU, and wisdom for those in leadership
- Our Anglican deanery and Methodist circuit.
- Ourselves, as we enter lent that we may hear and respond to God’s life call.



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Prayers around the Cross in the style of Taize:

Sunday 14th February- 6.00pm

Singing practice, 4.00pm

St Margaret's Church, Kenwin Close SN3 4NB

Contact helenbaber@me.com



Swindon Deanery morning of prayer:

Saturday 13th February

The Deanery Leadership team invite you to join them for a special morning of prayer on Saturday 13th February in Christ Church Old Town from 10 am-12 noon. The purpose of the morning is to pray for God's inspiration and guidance on the Christian Mission and Evangelism we are all engaged in across Swindon and the surrounding areas. We will be concentrating our prayer on the 3 key priorities of "Creating Connections", our new Diocesan Strategy:

- Making disciples
- Growing Leaders
- Encouraging younger generations

There will be different prayer stations around the church and we will end with a short Communion service at 11.30am. We encourage people to come for the 2 hours if possible but if you can only manage a shorter time we would love to see you for whatever time you can manage. If you are unable to join us please remember Swindon Deanery in your prayers wherever you are, for this very important morning.

The Bishop's letter for Lent: "Curiosity, time and courage: Which of these needs attention if you are going to put yourself in the way of listening and responding to God?"

+Lee has written a challenging letter to us all as we prepare to enter the season of Lent. This speaks to us as a church as we start out Lent course as well as personally. Do take a read and pray about what God might be saying through it. The letter can be found at: <http://www.bristol.anglican.org/2016/bishops-letter-a-season-for-curiosity-time-and-courage/#sthash.WIAi9gru.dpuf>

All items for inclusion in the next notices should be sent to
Anna Newman by Thursday 11th February
Tel 695698 or email anagram673@hotmail.co.uk
(please let me know if you would like to receive notices by email)