



St. Paul's, Covingham
St. Timothy's, Liden
Eldene Church

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8th June, 2014

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Trudie and Andrew have Saturdays off. Please avoid contacting them at this time if possible.

SERVICES - 8th June—Pentecost

St. Paul's

8.45am No Service
10.30am United Holy Communion Trudie Wigley

(Sunday Club—Jo Kirkland & Helen Newman)

St. Tim's

10.30am At St. Paul's

Eldene

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You are all invited to
BETH'S RETIREMENT PARTY BARN DANCE
on Saturday 14th June - 6.00 until 10.00pm at St Pauls Church centre.
The evening will start with a children's disco at 6p.m
Barn dancing will commence at 7p.m.
Presentations will be 8pm followed by food, and further barn dancing.
Please bring food to share, and your choice of drinks.
Any queries or further information required, please see Viv or Diane

Lectionary Readings	Acts 2: 1-21	1Cor.12: 3b—13
8th June	Psalms 104: 24-35	John 7: 37-39

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— 15th June—Trinity—Fathers' Day**St. Paul's**

8.45am	Holy Communion	Trudie Wigley
10.30am	All Age Worship	Andrew Wigley
<i>Welcome: Pam & Mari, Teas: Pam & Mari (Sunday Club—All Age Service)</i>		
4.00pm	Informal Worship	Andrew & Trudie Wigley

St. Tim's

10.30am	Holy Communion	Stuart Fisher
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Eldene

10.30am	Holy Communion	Trudie Wigley
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NEXT WEEK — Amended list as inserted in weekly notices

Normal weekly small group meetings unless you are notified otherwise by group leaders.

Mon. 9th June	2-4pm 7pm for 7.30pm 7.30pm	Scrabble & Dominoes "Confidence in God's story" and re-licensing of The Revd Canon Simon Stevenette with +Mike. Christ Church Swindon Fellowship & Bible Study at 7 Thorne Rd., Eld.
Tues. 10th June	7.30pm 7.30pm 7.30pm	Cell Group—12 Fitzmaurice Close, Covingham Local Preachers and Worship Leaders meeting at Queens Drive Men's Fellowship Group—4 Hatherley Road.
Wed 11th June	9.30am 10.45am 1.30pm 7.30pm 7.45pm	Tiny Tots at St. Paul's Cell Group -21 Ravenscroft– Covingham Tiny Tots at St. Tim's Cell Group—18 Tregantle Walk, Nythe Dorcan Finance committee at 11 Merlin Way
Thurs. 12th June	9.30am 10.30am 11.15 7.30pm 7.30pm	Holy Communion at St Paul's (TW) Peter Jones service of committal at Kingsdown Crematorium Service of Thanksgiving for Peter Jones at St Pauls, followed by refreshments Cell Group - 32 Austen Crescent, Liden Cell Group - 80 White Edge Moor, Liden
Sat. 14th June	12 noon - 3pm 6—10pm	Covingham Park Primary School fete Beth's retirement party at St Paul's

Dear Friends, **I would like to thank you** all for the Get well cards, beautiful bouquet of flowers, support and many prayers. Thanks to all who visited me in the Great Western Hospital during my illness. I hope to gain the strength to join you in the not too distant future.

With Christian Love, *Connie Lawrence.*

We share the sad news that **Peter Jones** died recently following a period of illness. There will be a Service of Committal at Kingsdown Crematorium at 10:30 am on Thursday 12th June, followed at 11:15 am by a Service of Thanksgiving at St Paul's.

Please continue to hold David, Iain, Kirsty and their families in your prayers.

For particular prayer this week:

- For all those who have lost loved ones, thinking particularly of the Jones' family this week
- For our schools work and the assemblies and visits that our church community are making this week. Particularly for Covingham Park School Fete on Saturday where we will have a Dorcan church table.
- For those who are worried or anxious, and for whom life is difficult at the moment, for whatever reason
- For religious freedom, thinking particularly of Meriem sentenced to death in Sudan and the religious unrest and violence in Nigeria.

Mid-week communion services: Following sharing with the mid-week congregations at St Timothy's and St Paul's, with effect from next week will be celebrating one service of Holy Communion in The Dorcan church each week. We will be alternating between St Timothy's on Tuesdays at 10am and St Paul's on Thursday at 9:30. Therefore for next week we will be at St Paul's on Thursday 12th and then at St Timothy's on Tuesday 17th. Going forward, the dates and times will appear in the weekly notice sheet as well as on the service rotas on the website, so please do keep an eye out for them. We look forward to welcoming you, and taking some time and space during the busy week to worship together. *Trudie*

Future dates for your diary:

Monday 9th June: Bishop Mike will be visiting the deanery addressing the theme of “Confidence in our Christian story”. At the same time, the Revd Canon Simon Stevenette will be relicensed as Area Dean. 7pm refreshments, - start 7:30-9:30 at Christ Church, Old Town. All welcome

Wednesday 18th June: Ecumenical confirmation of Dorcan and Parks & Walcot at St John’s. Please do come and show support and pray for those being confirmed.

Fri 5th – Sat 6th July: 24 hours of prayer at St Marys, Rodbourne Cheney, including a session at 5:30pm on 6th July to pray for the Archbishop’s visit to Swindon in Sept.

Fri 12th-Sun 14th September: The Archbishop’s visit to Bristol diocese. Visiting Swindon on Sat. 13th September. Please pray for this visit and the preparations.

I am standing down as organizer of “**Women’s World Day Of Prayer**” (always held on the first Friday in March each year). Would someone please consider taking over from me, I can give you all the information needed. It means coordinating with all the churches in our immediate area and arranging the time and venue for the service and a speaker for that day.

The service is always prepared and next year has been be arranged by the women of the Bahamas .

There is a small committee and they only meet usually around November and a few times in the new year to arrange the venue and service.

Jean G Phone 525454

Thank you to all who assisted with this years CAW collection. Thanks to your efforts the Dorcan Church has raised £822.76, towards Christian Aids work, the break down was Church Collections (from all 3 centres) £339.04, street collections £181.66, and the collection at Morrisons £302.06. *John Davidson* “**John is now stepping down** from co-ordinating our Christian Aid work and we would like to express our thanks, John, for all your commitment and hard work. This amount, and in previous years, could not have been raised without your co-ordination and passion for this cause, so thank you from us all.” *Trudie*

Re-invitation to Revd Mark Barrett as Superintendent of the Swindon & Marlborough Circuit

At the joint Swindon and Marlborough Circuit and Chippenham Circuit meeting on Tuesday 3rd June 2014 at Lyneham Methodist Church an invitation to Rev Mark Barrett to remain as minister of Bath Road and Wroughton churches and as Superintendent for five years from September 2015 was recommended. This followed a period of consultation with Circuit Ministers, Church Members, the wider community and ecumenical partners by the Circuit Invitation Committee. The Circuit Invitation Committee met to receive the feedback and, after consideration the Committee recommended that Mark be invited to remain as Minister of Bath Road and Wroughton Churches and as Superintendent for five years from September 2015, which was endorsed by the full meeting.

Open the book - Enabling every child to hear the story of the Bible at school in their primary year. <http://www.openthebook.net/>

Come and join me and Dianne Brookes for an Open the Book drop in on Wednesday 11th June, 1-3pm at The Salvation Army Church, Devizes Road, Old town. FREE- and Coffee and cake will be available. A chance to explore and get hands on with the Open the book bible story assembly material.
Look forward to seeing you. *Abi* (Lead project worker) in:school

St Paul's is having a stall at the Covingham School Fete June 14th 12-3pm. This is not for fund raising but to be in the Community where the Church is. To talk to people, to do lots of Crafts with the Children. I hope to have a small leaflet advertising what goes on at Church . We will have a colouring competition for the children with prizes to be won . This is all for free, I want us to give something to the Community. If you can volunteer to just be there to talk to people as they pass please get in touch. The School Office Manager told me they have so many people go to the School because they have no one else to talk to. I would like us to be there as a listening ear. Many thanks, Margaret. Tel. 01793 532849 or 07756987198, email raymarg@virginmedia.com

Officers and Members of the Dorcan Ecumenical Church Council 2014-15

Many apologies—the following was missed off the list of officers in the recent notice. *Peter Causer*

Circuit Reps: Marilyn Stott; Diane Killick; Tony Prichard.

The garden in front of St Paul's is looking very tidy thanks to the volunteers who worked so hard in the rain on Wednesday. Mandy and her colleagues normally work from home on their computers for an American firm, but each year they are encouraged to help the community.

We were very fortunate they chose us and thank them. *Diane*

Advance Notice—The **next meeting of the Friday Club** will be on Friday 20th June from 2-4pm, when Alan Christopher will be talking to us about gardening. All welcome.

Wanted—Margarine tubs with lids, kitchen roll inner tubes and clear plastic punnets for craft at holiday club. Could you please save the above. Thanks. Deb.

Now that I have got to grips with the church accounts would anyone who has outstanding expenses please contact me with the details.

Tony Prichard Tel 520734 or e-mail treasurer@dorcanchurch.org.uk

All items for inclusion in the next notices should be sent to

Anna Newman by Thursday 12th June

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(please let me know if you would like to receive notices by email)