

Lyfe Sessions – connecting God, life and us

Lyfe is a ready-to-use Bible Society resource for small groups. The Lyfe website explains it as ‘about hearing God, through the Bible, in the company of others. There are 6 challenge zones, which have helped people go deeper with God. Lyfe is about experiencing those challenges and applying them in everyday life.’ www.lyfe.org.uk.

Come along to Christ Church, Swindon on Wednesday 19th October from 7.30pm. Rob Hare from the Bible Society will give an overview of the material available and how to get the most out of it, as well as giving an experience of what a Lyfe session could be like. Open to everyone but particularly useful for small group leaders.

Tuesday cell’s latest fund raising effort for Turning Point will be a **second hand book sale** on Saturday 29th October from 10.00am - 1pm. Refreshments will be available. We DO NOT require donations of books, thank you, as we have enough to stock a small library !!

You are invited to a
‘ Treats No Tricks ’ Party
At St Paul’s Church, Covingham
On Saturday 29th October
between 4.00 and 5.30pm

For children in school years; Reception to Y6
Please bring - an adult or two to stay with you
- A Wrapped Present, costing about £1
- Party Food, to share (No Nuts Please)

There will be prizes for the Best Fancy Dress
Hero or Heroine costumes. No witches or ghoulies Please!

Pray for Schools – 7th November

Please join in praying for our local primary and secondary schools, and supporting students and staff. All are welcome to the prayer and commissioning event 7.30 – 9.30pm on Monday 7th November at Gorse Hill Baptist Church, Cricklade Road, SN2 1AA. As well as praying and hearing about the work of some local schools ministries, Bishop Lee Rayfield will be joining us as we commission workers and volunteers from local churches and organisations for all their work in this coming year.

All items for inclusion in the next notices should be sent to Anna Newman by Thursday 20th October
Telephone: 695698 or Email: anagram673@hotmail.co.uk
(please let me know if you would like notices by email)



St. Paul’s, Covingham
St. Timothy’s, Liden
Eldene Church
www.dorcanchurch.org.uk
16th October, 2011

Staff Team: Rev. Tony Knapp Tel: 525130
Rev. Beth Brown Tel: 826444
Rev. Andrew Wigley Tel: 523810

*Tony & Beth both have Fridays off - .Andrew has Tuesdays and Saturdays off.
Please avoid contacting them at these times if possible.*

SERVICES - 16th October

St. Paul’s

8.45am Morning Worship Barbara Wilcox
10.30am Morning Worship Stuart Fisher

St Tim’s

10.30am Holy Communion Andrew Wigley

Eldene

10.30am Morning Worship Paul Tayler

Refreshments are served after the 10.30am services - please stay if you can.

Lectionary Exodus 33: 12-23 1 Thess. 1: 1-10
Readings - 16th October Psalm 99 Matthew 22: 15-22

Prayer Initiative. For the next few weeks we will be praying for the residents of Kestral Drive, Bittern Rd, Lapwing Close and Partridge Close Please also remember them in your private prayers. Now that the last group of letters has gone out - thank you to all those who have helped with their delivery over the last two years. Thursday Cell Group Austen Crescent.

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 - 23rd October - Bible Sunday

St. Paul's

8.45am Holy Communion Andrew Wigley

10.30am All Age Worship & Baptism Beth Brown
Of Alasdair Marshall & Stuart Fisher

Welcome: Anna & Brian N., Teas: Rosemary & Amy, Crèche: tba

St. Tim's

10.30am Holy Communion Tony Knapp

Eldene

10.30am Holy Communion Andrew Wigley

The Marshall family have requested **"no presents please"** for Alasdair's Baptism. There will be a retiring collection for The Turning Point Trust.

NEXT WEEK

Normal weekly church and small group activities unless you are notified otherwise by group leaders.

Mon. 17th Oct. 2-4pm Scrabble & Dominoes
7.30pm Fellowship & Bible Study at 7 Thorne Road

Tues. 18th Oct. 1.30pm Tiny Tots at St. Paul's
7.30pm Cell Group at Fitzmaurice Close, Covingham

Wed. 19th Oct. 10.00am Holy Communion at St. Tim's
1.30pm Tiny Tots at St. Tim's
7.30pm Cell group at Tregantle Walk, Nythe

Thurs. 20th Oct. 10.00am Holy Communion at St. Paul's
10.15am Tea & Coffee Club at Eldene Centre
1.30pm **NO** Cell Group at Falconscroft
7.30pm Cell Group - Austen Cresc. Liden
7.30pm Cell Group - Sutton Road, Eldene
7.30pm Cell Group - Bryanston Way, Nythe

Vybe will once again be serving breakfast before the 10.30pm United Service on October 30th. Egg, bacon rolls, fruit, toast etc will be served from 9.15a.m. Donations for the Leprosy Mission.

Please support our young people in this venture. *Debbie Mulcock*

Eldene Tea and Coffee Club

This will be starting on Thursday morning 13 October at 10.15am and will be meeting in the Eldene Centre each week during school term time. Anyone is welcome to drop in for a chat; we would be pleased to see you. *Christine* (692004)

A HUGE THANK YOU TO EVERYONE for coming along to the Fashion Show, being a model, ladies you were fabulous, selling tickets, providing the refreshments, everyone involved in the evening.....we raised.....drum roll please.....£500..... *Diane*

Excerpt from a letter to Margaret & Ray from Rossy (one of the mamas in Kibera, Kenya who has recently been given her own land)

"We shifted on August 13th - now we are in our new home. We have two rooms and a sitting room, kitchen, latrine and a bathroom. Now we are struggling to see what I can do with my shamba (*land*)- I'm trying to prepare it, looking for seeds and potatoes, maize and beans to plant. Now it has started to rain after that great famine. Actually, according to me I have appreciated to be in my new home and also said thanks to whoever has participated in giving and donating for us to get this land. May God bless each and every one of you and live a long life in this world of Moses."

"Thank you very much for what you have been doing for me. May God add you more and more for actually thinking for a mother's life in Kenya, all that way. Actually what you are doing is not easy - it needs a God's hand. Thank you very much for thinking about me. With love, *Rossy*"

Christmas Care

Once again the shelter will be open over the Christmas period at Queen's Drive Methodist Church. This venture is supported by churches throughout Swindon. We can all help by offering to serve as a volunteer (meetings at 8pm on 10th & 16th Nov.), or by donating items. The project requires sleeping bags, bedding, towels, toiletries, warm clothing, shoes, food, and money to cover expenses.

For more information see website www.christmascare.co.uk or contact John 827627; Diane 336420; Betty 485483; or Patsy 642368.

Please pick up Shoe Box leaflets and start collecting if you are able. They are now in all three centres and you have lots of time to fill them as the collection date is **20th November**.

We are asked to use **medium boxes size 18cm x 30cm and 15cm high** as this is easier for them to get packed in to the cases and on to the lorries. Suggested items to fill your boxes are on the last page by the tear off envelope. And they would like to have more sport items this year if possible. The price for transport is amazingly still £2.50. Please remember **No liquids or war items, or glass or sharp items or food.** *Christine*

We have been given a supply of **Knitted Hats** to add to the boxes. Please help yourself from the supply at each Centre if you would like one for your box.