

# St. Paul's Covingham St. Timothy's, Liden

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Transforming lives and communities Knowing Jesus and making Him known

"Be transformed by the renewing of your minds."

Romans 12:2

## SERVICES - 18th October St. Paul's 10.30am Morning Worship Rev'd Trudie Wigley We extend a very special welcome to Mark and Tracey Chinnery who were married at St Paul's 25 years ago. Today, Mark and Tracey will be giving thanks for their marriage and renewing their vows and it is a pleasure to have them with us this morning. The Team! 4.00pm Messy Church St. Tim's 10.30am Rev'd. J. Barnes Holy Communion Today Neil Marshall is at St Andrews Moredon, Andrew Wigley is at Queens Drive, and Paul Tayler is at Stratton St Margaret Job 28: 1-7 Lectionary Hebrews 5: 1-10 Psalm 104: 1-9, 24, 35c Mark 10: 35-45 Readings 18th 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.

## Messy church - today!

We are all ready for Messy Church this afternoon and the theme is "I am the light of the World". Please do pray for the preparations, the leaders and all whose who will come. If you are part of the team on the day, then please do arrive by 3:15 for setting up and prayers. Thank you!



#### 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.

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Monday	2-4pm	Scrabble and Dominoes at St. Tim's	
19th October	1.00pm	Baptism preparation - Vestry	
	7.30pm	Ministry team meeting at Fairlawn	
Tuesday	9.30am	Covingham School harvest service at St Paul's	
20th October			
Wednesday	9.00am	Tiny Tots at St Paul's	
21st October	1.30am	Tiny Tots at St Tim's	
Thursday	9.30am	Morning Prayer at St Paul's	
22nd October			

SERVICES 25th October				
St. Paul's				
8.45am	Holy Communion	Rev'd Stuart Fisher		
10.30am	Morning Worship	Rev'd Stuart Fisher		
.Welcome: Sandra & Colleen Teas: Janice & Shanice, Sunday Club: Nathalie & Nil				
St. Tim's				
10.30am	Morning Worship	Paul Tayler		

**Living with loss:** We will be holding our annual "Living with Loss" service on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> 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.

**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.

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.

On Thursday 29th. October we have a group of volunteers from nationwide ccmimg to carry out some work at St. Paul's. If the weather is reasonable they will be painting the outside doors and tidying the car park and lawn edges. Additional help would be welcome from our own congregation. 9.00 am to 4.30 pm. Details from Tony P. tel: 520734

#### 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.



### **Autumn Barn Dance.**

St.Paul's - Saturday 31st October at 7.30pm Hosted by the Wednesday Small Group tickets £5 including supper are now on sale.

Please contact Brenda B, (643949), Jean W (520255) Anna N (695698) Brenda F (497169

email brendaf111@btinternet.com

The latest Turning Point Newsletter is with the door stewards. There is also a Christmas Gift leaflet, for the person you don't know what to buy for, give £5 to Turning Point and it provides Stationery for a child for a year, £6 buys 2 books for the Community Library and £15 provides a nutritious breakfast and lunch for a child every weekday for a month, plus other suggestions.

#### 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 November**, 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

## MESSY CHURCH CRAFT REQUIREMENTS

Please could you save tin cans (preferably ring pull ones as they are safer) and get them to me washed and without labels. Also any standard wine corks (not champagne shaped and not ones with plastic tops). Thank you. *Nathalie* 

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

Anna Newman by Thursday 22nd October

Tel: 695698 or Email: anagram673@hotmail.co.uk (please let me know if you would like to receive notices by email)