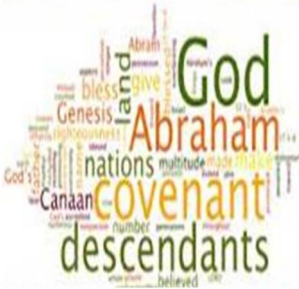




St. Paul's Covingham
 St. Timothy's, Liden
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21st February 2016

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



**“Abraham put his trust in the LORD,
 and because of this the LORD was pleased with
 him and accepted him”**

Genesis 15:6

SERVICES - 21st February

St. Paul's

10.30am	Morning Worship	Rev'd Stuart Fisher
4.00pm	Messy Church	The Team!

St. Tim's

10.30am	Holy Communion	Canon Judy Ashby
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This morning Alex Scott is at Stratton supporting the wider Methodist circuit.

Readings 21st February	Genesis 45: 3-11, 15 Psalm 37: 1-11, 39-40	1 Corinthians 15: 35-38, 42-50 Luke 6: 27-38
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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.

Thank you to Ignite and Vybe! Our young people led a great All Age service last week and started us off well for lent as we looked at what “restoration” means. We thought about God’s call to the Israelites and their life calling and journey, and how they often ended up in the “sin bin”! Thank you for making us think, and for all your effort and preparation leading us in worship. (also thank you to our lovely guide dog and his big Amen perfectly timed at the end of the service! We all went out with a smile!)

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 15th February	10.30am 2-4pm	Dorcan property committee: St Pauls vestry Monday Club - Scrabble and Dominoes
Wednesday 17th February	9.00am 1.30pm	Tiny Tots at St Paul's Tiny Tots at St Tim's
Thursday 18th February	9.30am 7.30pm	Holy Communion at St. Paul's Deanery Synod @ Haydon Wick

SERVICES 28th February

St. Paul’s

8.45am	Holy Communion	Rev’d Andrew Wigley and Paul Tayler
10.30am	Morning Worship	Revd Trudie Wigley and Revd John Monaghan

Welcome: *Rosemary & Amy*, Teas: *Hazel & Alison*, Sunday Club: *Cathy & Helen*

St. Tim’s

10.30am	Morning Worship	Neil Marshall
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The Revd John Monaghan:

We will be welcoming John to be with us from 28th February to 10th April. John is in his final year of curacy at Malmesbury Abbey and is with us to gain experience in a different context, and I'm sure we will also learn a lot from him too!

John will be preaching at 10:30 at St Paul' on 28th February and will be involved in a number of things in his time with us. We look forward to warmly welcoming him.

Commissioning of Church Link team – 6th March:

On Mothering Sunday we will be commissioning all those who serve as church links. Each member of Dorcan has a church link person, and their purpose is to uphold you in prayer and to be a point of contact if you would like a listening ear. This is an important way of showing our love and support for each other, and this care is one of the four strands in our vision of Building God's house (Outreach, Discipleship, Care and Community).

We will therefore be commissioning the team following the review and reinvigoration of our pastoral care which we would said we would do as part of Building God's House. We look forward to commission and giving thanks for our church link team on 6th March.



Walk of witness: Good Friday

Having considered further, we are looking at arranging a walk of witness on Good Friday at 11am starting from St Paul's.

For this to be a convincing witness to the community it would be appropriate for a meaningful number of people to join together for this event. Are you willing and able to walk with us? Everyone

is welcome.

This has been in the notices for a number of weeks and responses thus far do not support such an event. However, if you feel this is an important witness for us as a church and are able to support it, then please could you let any member of the ministry team know if you are willing to commit to this **by 28th February**. We will then be able to make a decision on whether to go ahead and then plan accordingly. Thank you. *The ministry team.*



Building God's House

1. **Update now available:** We committed as a ministry team to giving an update on where we are so far with Building God's house, together with plans for the next few months. We committed to this next phase at our covenant service at the beginning of this month, and further copies are available today so please take one.
2. **What you are asked to consider in this next phase:** You are asked to consider three things as to how you might be part of Building God's House in this next phase:
 - To prayerfully consider **who you might invite to the enquirer's course** that will be run after Easter
 - To reflect during Lent on God's life calling for you personally. **What is God asking of you?**
 - To commit to helping in some of the practical matters. As we prepared for our September away-day a number of people expressed a desire for practical ways to support our ministry and outreach through things such as new noticeboards, a cross on the roof, improved signage at St Tim's etc. **These suggestions have been made in the past and will not move forward with out someone taking a lead and co-ordinating possibilities.** Is that person you?

'Thank you' to all at St Tim's who have collected for the Children's Society during 2015. Money has been counted and a donation of £119 has been forwarded.

I am stepping down from this role after 20 years and hoping a volunteer may be found for the role of co-coordinator for the parade services and the Chingle service: please speak to me or Trudie if you feel interested and able to provide some support. *Brenda R.*

All items for inclusion in the next notices should be sent to
Anna Newman by Thursday 25th February
Tel 695698 or email anagram673@hotmail.co.uk
(please let me know if you would like to receive notices by email)