



St. Paul's Covingham
St. Timothy's, Liden
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Transforming lives and communities
Knowing Jesus and making Him known



Luke 2:30

“With my own eyes I have seen your salvation”

Services Sunday 29th January 2017

St. Paul's

8.45 am	Said Holy Communion Presentation of Christ	Rev'd Andrew Wigley, Paul Tayler
10.30am	Sunday School for All Theme: Atonement	Ministry team Breakfast from 9.30am

St. Tim's

10.30am Morning Prayer Colin Parsons

This morning Alex is at Stratton supporting the wider Methodist Circuit

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 -		
Wednesday 1st February	9.00am 9.00am 1.30am	Tea & Toast, St Tim's Tiny Tots at St Paul's Tiny Tots at St Tim's
Thursday 2nd February	9.30am 1.45pm 7.30pm	Holy Communion at St. Timothy's Covingham Year 1 at St Paul's Messy Church Meeting venue TBC
SERVICES 5th February 2017 4th Sunday before Lent		
St. Paul's		
10.30am	United Service with Communion	The Very Revd Dr David Hoyle Dean of Bristol Cathedral, and Revd Trudie Wigley
Welcome: Hazel & Janice, Teas: Jean & Joan, Sunday club: Jo & Niki		

TODAY! "Sunday School for all" 10:30 at St Paul's, preceded by breakfast from 9:30am: Following the positive feedback from our first "Sunday school for all" in October, we are holding our next one today. As part of early preparations for Lent our topic will be atone-ment - that is, how we are reconciled with God through Jesus, or as some might express it "how we are saved". We will be looking at some of the theological theories, but an important part will be thinking about the "so what" in how it shapes our faith, discipleship and how we share with others. And as you fed back, there will be more time for discussion and debate, and for those who would like to share breakfast together beforehand, this will be served from 9:30am See you there!

Flower Festival at St Timothy's Church, Liden to celebrate the 40th Anniversary of the Church in Liden.

The doors will be open at the following times for you to see the displays:

Saturday 18th March 10am to 4pm and Sunday 19th March 1pm to 4pm

Refreshments will be available.

All donations will go to the Great Western Hospital Brighter Futures Fund

Contact Janette C. Tel: 618251 for further details

NEXT WEEK Dean of Cathedral Bristol will be preaching: We are delighted that The Very Revd Dr David Hoyle will be preaching at our united service next week. We look forward to welcoming him, and hearing what God has to say through him. If you watched the Christmas morning service on BBC from Bristol Cathedral then you will have seen David on the television as he shared the Christmas message to the millions who tuned in.

Prayers for this week

That, like Simeon in the temple, that our eyes may be open to Jesus
That we may better understand the saving work of Jesus as we study and explore in Sunday school for all
For world leaders, that they may govern with love, humility and generosity
Those who are unwell, awaiting medical appointments or results, or anxious about the future.
For those who are bereaved and mourn loved ones

Prayer basket: This is a reminder of the weekly prayer basket which is on the table at the entrance. If you would like someone to pray for you over the next week then please do write a prayer request and pop it in the basket. If you feel you can commit to praying for someone over the coming week then please do take one of the requests as you leave. Any remaining will be taken by the ministry team and prayed for.

A COMPANION'S WAY – Spiritual Direction: If you feel that God may be calling you to be a “companion” to others on their Christian Pilgrimage or would like to develop your gifts in this area, there is a 2-year training opportunity starting this Oct- taster day Wed 15th March at Nympsfield. Posters and leaflets are available today.

Swindon Interfaith group: Wednesday 1st February, 7:30pm Eastcott Community Hall, Old Town. Talk on “Religious Education: here and now?” The speaker is Sarah Lane Cawte who studied theology, was a religious education teacher for many years and is now Education Officer for the Free Churches Group and Churches Together in England and current chair person of Swindon SACRE. For more information please see Facebook page, website or contact mervclaxton@yahoo.com

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SATURDAY 13TH MAY ST

PUT THE DATE IN YOUR DIARY NOW

We are looking forward to starting the creche facility soon now.

Thank you for offering to help. Please give your forms in to Jenny Poole preferably, or Sue Morgans, Jan Shellard or Nicki Clinch asap if you haven't already. We will set up a rota when all the paperwork is in place.

Thankyou again. Sue Morgans

Please note there is space for more leaders/helpers if you sense God calling you!

Saturday 4th Feb 7.30pm Jonathan Veira: Performing "Songs and Tales" at St. Mary's Church, Cheney Manor Road in support of Swindon Night Shelter, Tickets – suggested donation of £10 on the night.

The next Card class will be 25th Feb at 9.30am-12.30pm in the youth room, St Paul's, cost £10. Please let Sandra Marshall know if you wish to attend smarshall28@ntlworld.com.

Children's society collection boxes. Brian Avery has taken over from Brenda as the box co-ordinator for St Tim's (tel 01793 525704). Please could you return your boxes to a warden at St Tim's and Brian will collect them. Many thanks.

THE REAL EASTER EGG A Fairtrade Easter Egg which also tells the Easter Story. Choose between the Original (£3.99) - A fresh new redesign, includes a 24 page Easter story activity book, a high quality milk chocolate egg (125g) and a Yummy Bar (25g)
Special Edition (8.50) - High quality milk chocolate egg (200g), an easter traditions booklet and an orange milk chocolate bar (80g)
Dark (£5.50) Egg made from perm,ium dark Fairtrade chocolate (155g) with a dark Yummy Bar (25g) and a 24 page Easter story activity book.
Orders in on 5th March at the very latest please. (Also available are a sharing box with 30 midi eggs and an Egg Hunt box with 6 midi eggs. **For more information see me or the web site)**
For more information see Nathalie or the web site at
www.realeasteregg.co.uk

CALLING ALL BAKERS!

There will be a bake sale in aid of the Fairtrade Foundation after our United service on 5th March to mark Fairtrade Fortnight, (27th Feb to 12th March). Please could you bake lots of lovely things to sell at church that morning.

Please could you try and use at least one fairtrade ingredient in your bakes!

HINTS: Possible Fairtrade ingredients available easily and locally include sugar of all varieties, tea (tea loaf any one?) bananas, chocolate and coffee. If you are able to get to Swindon Pulse on Curtis Street you will find Fairtrade dried fruit and other ingredients. You will find that Sainsburys stocks more Fairtrade than Morrisons, and Tesco and the Co-op sit somewhere in between. Waitrose has a wider selection than those three. Any questions please do not hesitate to ask.

The Fairtrade Foundation is an independent non-profit organisation that licenses use of the FAIRTRADE Mark on products in the UK in accordance with internationally agreed Fairtrade standards. Please do let me know if you are able to bake for this. Many thanks, Nathalie.

All items for inclusion in the next notices should be sent to Jackie Hancock by Thursday 2 February Tel 435987 or email dorcan.church.office@gmail.com. Thank you.