



St. Paul's Covingham
St. Timothy's, Liden
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3rd July, 2016

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



Luke 10:2

“There is a large harvest, but few workers to gather it in”

SERVICES 3rd July

St. Paul's

10.30am	United Holy Communion With baptism of Andi, Phoenix, Kieran and Lexie Tilling	Rev'ds Trudie and Andrew Wigley
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Sunday Club and Ignite – today! Please make your way to your rooms now ahead of the service starting. We are doing things a little differently this morning and meeting together now so we can all join the service later to support our friends as they are baptised. If you are joining us for the first time today and are not sure where to go, then please do speak to one of the smiley people on the door with a badge on who can help. Thank you!

Today Neil Marshall is at Stratton supporting the 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 - 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 4th July	2-4pm	Scrabble & Dominoes at St. Tim's
Tuesday 5th July	10.00am	Clergy chapter meeting at St Paul's
Wednesday 6th July	9.00am 12.15pm 1.30pm 7.30pm	Tiny Tots at St. Paul's Funeral of Arthur Sidnell, Kingsdown Crematorium Tiny Tots at St. Tim's Confirmation service at St John's Parks. All welcome!
Thursday 7th July	9.30am	Holy Communion at St. Tim's
Friday 8th July	4.00pm	Our young people leave for their weekend at Spree
Saturday 9th July	2-5pm	Flower festival at St Andrew's, Walcot

SERVICES 10th July		
St. Paul's		
8.45am	Holy Communion	Rev'd Andrew Wigley
10.30am	Morning Worship	Rev'd Trudie Wigley
Welcome: <i>Joy & Dennis</i> , Teas: <i>Rosemary & Amy</i> , Sunday Club: tba		
4.00pm	Tea and Praise	Rev'ds Trudie and Andrew Wigley
St. Tim's		
10.30am	Morning Worship	Alex Scott

For your prayers,

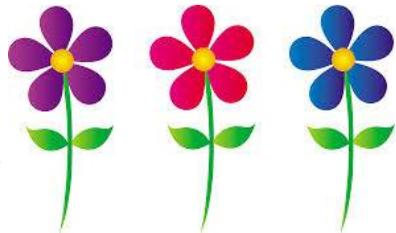
- For our young people and their leaders as they leave for Spree this Friday.
- We pray for safe travels and that they encounter God during the fun and learning away
- For the Tilling family as they are baptised today, and for Andi and all those being confirmed on 6th July
- For our country as a path is sought through events post the EU Referendum, and for integrity, generosity and wisdom in our leaders
- For “It’s Your move” as we visit year 6’s in our primary schools who are moving schools
- For our enquirer’s group as we continue to discuss and learn together
- For all those who are unwell, or bereaved following the loss of a loved one
- For peace, as we remember the centenary of the Battle of the Somme and the places of war unrest across the world

St Andrews’ Flower Festival Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th July:

This is community event planned and organised by our friends in Walcot and has a theme of “Songs of Praise”.

We have been invited to support this event and Angela Davidson is offering an arrangement to be displayed.

Do pop along and support our friends. Arrangements will be displayed on Saturday 2-5pm and Sunday during the service.



Cardboard lids/trays – please collect for Messy Church!

Each Messy church our families leave the church juggling various creations, with many crafts needing to dry after a busy afternoon of painting and gluing! Putting things in bags would be a disaster, so we would like to provide families with some kind of flat tray with a shallow lip to lay their creations on and transport home. We thought the tops of the cardboard boxes used for paper realms would be ideal, so if you could collect these, or have ideas for anything similar that would be super please. If you could bring them to church on 17th July 9next messy) that would be great. Thank you!

Replacement of Floor and Screen at St Paul's:

We have had further discussions with the Diocesan Advisory Committee (DAC), and have now proposed an improved solution for the floor, and which we expect to gain permission for without significant delay. ECC members have approved this new proposal for a light oak parquet floor that is specially treated, and will prove a better investment over the longer term. The next challenge is to find sufficient stock which is proving difficult, so we are unable at present to know whether the floor can be fitted this summer.

The replacement screen still requires to go through the faculty process so we should know more about timescales for that in a month's time.

Building God's House:

The latest update from the Ministry team is available to collect this Sunday. There is much to give thanks for, and there is more to do, but we do need your continuing help and support. Please do read through the update, and consider how you might get involved or matters that you might pray for. God has been good to us and we seek to honour Him as we continue to Build God's House.

Decorating at St Tim's:

Many thanks to everyone who gave of their time and efforts recently to help re-decorate the hall at St. Tims. The hall looks much lighter and 'cared for', and we appreciate this help.

Our own volunteers were joined by a group from Nationwide, who also helped get rid of unsightly weeds around the perimeter of the building.

Our thanks to all

Deanery Uganda Link Visit February 2017

There are a couple of vacant places available on this trip. The cost is around £1,500 per person which includes flights, accommodation, home hospitality and game park visit.

Flights are expected to be booked in the next week so you need to be quick. More information available from Tony Prichard or sally Robertson (St.John's Haydon Wick) e-mail: sally.robertson27@btinternet.com

Ray and I had the privilege of helping at the **Lifepath sessions at Malmesbury Abbey** held this week.

On Sunday we attended their usual 4pm service, which was nothing like we expected. It was attended by young local families and very lively. After the service the sessions were explained to us and we helped to set up for the next 2 days. Unfortunately we could only help on Monday [which was brilliant as it was the day Covingham Park were going].

We dressed up as monks, met the groups we were looking after and led them into the Abbey. Lifepath explains to the children [120 on Monday and 200 on Tuesday Year 5's], the lives and faith of the Benedictine Monks and especially Eilmer, a young Monk with big ideas who lived in the Abbey during 11th Century. It may sound dry and boring but it was far from that. We started and ended with everyone together and as there was a band [Ben Mulcock playing drums] and the theme song Lifepath sung to the tune of La Bamba, everyone was soon dancing.

There were 11 sessions but unfortunately each group only had time to do 4 sessions: you could have done a Prayer Journey, Calligraphy, Music, Window Art, Jesus Journey or others. My trainee monks learnt how to sing in latin, dressed up as Monks and enacted their daily life. They had a journal and had time after each session to write a couple of sentences about what they had learnt.

It gave the children the chance to think about their life choices and they can see that being a Christian is far from boring. We were so encouraged by the number of Christian young people, home from University, who were there to help. What a brilliant opportunity we have - sharing our faith with our School children - and don't take it for granted.

Margaret & Ray

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Featuring several of our young people, a show not to be missed!!

BRUNEL: THE LITTLE MAN IN THE TALL HAT, JULY 2016:

History + Information - July 9th and 10th sees an exciting revival of the one Act Opera 'Brunel: The Little Man in the Tall Hat' supported by Steam as a highlight of the Swindon175 celebrations.

This 2016 performance of the Opera features talented Adults and Children from the local Community and tells the story of the life of Isambard Kingdom Brunel as revealed through the chatter of the Swindon railway workers and their families as they travel on the annual 'Trip' train to St Ives in Cornwall.

Chorus singers include the Adult Community Singers, the JTP Trust Singers and dancers from Lydiard Park Academy. Other features of the Opera include an appearance of a real model train courtesy of the Blunsdon and Cricklade Railway. This one hour Community Opera is an occasion not to be missed for Opera lovers and Railway Buffs alike!

Tickets for the three performances at Steam Museum are on sale at the Wyvern Theatre Box Office 01793 524481

Cantores next two concerts are on Saturday 9 July 2016 in Cirencester Parish Church, and Saturday 16 July in Holy Apostles, Cheltenham.

The music will include: Joseph Jongen – Mass Op.130. Macmillan – A New Song
Whitacre – Nox arumque. Peter Aston – Alleluia Psallat

Ola Gjeilo – Tota pulchra es Maria. Edgar Bainton – And I saw a new Heaven
Durufle – Quatre motets

Karl Jenkins – Cantate Domino, Benedictus, Exultate Jubilate

For tickets or more information see Nathalie, 421549

The Friday Club -

At our next meeting of the Friday Club on 16th July we welcome Daniel Rose - a speaker from the Mechanics Institute.

His title is Mechanics Institution "It's past, present and future" and he will be showing us pictures to illustrate his talk.

We meet from 2 - 4pm on Friday afternoons monthly - £2 includes tea/coffee and biscuits.

I hope it will be of interest to many of you and would welcome your support for our speaker.

Future dates for the diary as at July 2016

Wednesday 6th July 2016

Ecumenical Confirmations St Johns, Parks & Walcot

Friday 8th - Sunday 10th July 2016

Spree South West 2016

Camping weekend for Church youth and children's groups

Sunday 24th July - Sunday 18th September 2016

Between these dates Morning service at St Paul's will be at 10am, this is an extension of the usual summer pattern for continuity as we approach our anniversary celebrations.

Saturday 10th September 2016

Methodist Representative Synod

Friday 16th-Sunday 18th September 2016

Dorcan church 50th Anniversary weekend!

Saturday 2-6pm Community Fun Day, St Paul's centre

Sunday 10am Service of Thanksgiving St Paul's church

Saturday 24th September 2016

Bristol Diocesan Synod

Friday 25th - Sunday 27th November 2016

3Generate2016 fun, faith and friendship for children & young people
(now full)

Saturday 26th November 2016

Messy Church Leaders Training Day in conjunction with CPAS,
St Christopher's Church, Hampstead Rd, Bristol

Saturday 3rd December 2016

Bristol Diocesan Synod

Friday 13th- Sunday 15th January 2017

Lay Ministers conference at Brunel Manor in Torquay.

13th-22nd June 2017

A Pilgrimage to the Holy Land - further details from Paul Tayler

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