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Rev Mark Tidey
Communion



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Welcome to everyone worshipping with us today; for those who have difficulty hearing we have a loop system in operation. Refreshments will be served after the service.

Next Sunday 10.30 Mr Mark Dowling

Activities in Toothill Church

Monday 10.00 – 12.00 The Hub

Monday 14.00 - 16.00 U3A History Group 1st & 3rd Mondays

Monday 17.00 - 19.00 West Swindon Youth Club Mondays

Tuesday 10.00 – 12.00 U3A Travel Group

Wednesday 12.30 – 15.30 Welcome Space every week

Thursday 10.00 – 11.30 Toothill Tinies

Thursday **12.30 – 13.45 Bible Study in the church**

Friday 10.30 – 12.00 Music Group every 2nd and 4th Friday

Friday 17.00 – 19.00 Friday Club

Every week

Next 16th October

Every week term time only

Next 7th November

Every Week

Every week

Every week (See Below)

Next 27th October

Every week term time only

Sad News

Dear All,

Our friend and organist at Holy Trinity Shaw, Val Hemmens, died on Friday the 6th of October. We give thanks for her life, and faithfulness. She always finished on the organ with a little flourish. May we live a life in Christ, in which we like her flourish. Rest in Peace Val.

Clive.

Volunteers

The Worship and Stewards subcommittee are seeking volunteers to be on the rota to help with worship on Sundays.

We are looking for people who would like to read the bible passages or to do intercessional prayers.

Also, we are looking for people who would like to welcome people to the church on Sundays and give out any Hymn books and service sheets if required. We also need help in the kitchen serving teas and coffees. No experience is necessary, and training will be given to all volunteers.

If you feel this might be something you would like to try, please contact David Hoar and training will be arranged.

Crochet Poppies

A small group of people are crocheting poppies for Remembrance Sunday if this is something you might like to do, please contact Emma.

Newsletter

Please let me have any items for inclusion in the Newsletter before 12.00 Noon on Wednesdays Thank you.

Bible Study Thursday afternoons 12.30 – 13.45

Bible study based at **Toothill Church.**

A 12-week series on the Beatitudes starts on Thursday afternoon 12th October from 12.30 - 1.45.

The timing is after discussion with some of the ladies last Sunday morning.

Please note changed Dates

The series includes discussion, activity and colouring.

1 To Be Blessed – 12th Oct.

2 The Beatitudes – 19th Oct.

3 Blessed Are the Poor in Spirit – 26th Oct.

4 Blessed Are Those Who Mourn – 16th Nov.

5 Blessed Are the Meek – 23rd Nov.

6 Blessed Are Those Who Hunger and Thirst – 30th Nov.

7 Blessed Are the Merciful – 7th Dec.

Advent/Christmas activity - **TBA**

8 Blessed Are the Pure in Heart - 11 Jan

9 Blessed Are the Peacemakers - 18 Jan

10 Blessed Are Those Who Are Persecuted - 25 Jan

11 Blessed Are You When - 1 Feb

12 Coming Down the Mountain - 8 Feb

Dates may need to be flexed, but the objective is to complete the sessions before Lent 24.

Thanks

Rachel

Note from the Treasurer

Toothill Church summary of accounts for September 2023

Receipts:

In September our giving (received) totalled £1,195

Lettings - £53

Donations:

Warm & Welcome Space - £79.30

Church Zoom renewal - £143.88.

Anonymous - £1,500

Our total receipts for September were **£2,971.18.**

Payments:

West Swindon Partnership standing order of £1,000.

Media: Broadband monthly - £47.99

Transfers:

Anonymous gift to Methodist Saver as Heat & Eat 2 - £1,500

Advanced to Toothill Tinies for coach and ticket costs - £510

Utilities:

Gas (Aug) - £22.89

Electricity [Aug] - £44.97

Welcome Space - £104.11

Media & Printing - £143.88 (Zoom renewal)

Worship: Church flowers (Jan) - £32.50

In September we made payments of **£3,406.34**

As of 1st October 2023 our balance is **£13,909.58** held across our three accounts.

Yours in His service

Mike

(Mike Black

Toothill Church Treasurer)

News from Glona

Dear All,

This is a quick email to say Hello to all and Stay in touch .

We went for a short break and have returned .

Greetings from GLONA Ghana

William



Prayers for today

Do please let us know if you would like to add someone to the list for prayer, remembering that we must have the permission of the person for whom we would be praying.

Don't forget that it is also helpful to receive updates about those being prayed for and to know when things have improved.

Please pray for: Diana, Eileen and Tony Hendry, Emma's friend Kate Storer as she goes through Chemotherapy, Ruth's brother James Horton, Carly and all the Burns family, Steph, a friend of Sarah's, Debbie, Jan and Gordon, Norma, Rhoda, Ann Beaumont, Sarah, Hazel, and all those you know in need of God's special love, care and healing.

We also pray for

Our ministers Clive, Trevor, Mark, Som and Joseph,

Our children's and worship leaders and their families across the Partnership,

Our home congregation,

The continuing work with children, young people and families in West Swindon.

May God bless us all with wisdom and strength to face each day's challenges as we continually give thanks for his great Love and Faithfulness.

For Members who are unable to get to church.

For those unable to get to church here is the link for you to worship online with words and hymns included <https://devotions.unc.org.uk/> By using the same link you may also receive daily devotions which are sent out 6.00 am each day

Friday Morning Prayers at 9.30 via Zoom

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87105668938?pwd=OERYZ0FEUndjcnVpRUJxaVhrOWswUT09>

Meeting ID: 871 0566 8938

Passcode: 6pPH0J

NEW BISHOP OF SWINDON

Bishop Viv is delighted to announce that the welcome for the new Bishop of Swindon: Neil Warwick will take place on Advent Sunday, 3 December 2023 at 6.30 pm in Christ Church Swindon.

Bishop Neil will then visit many parishes over the course of 2024.

More details on the welcome service will follow in due course but please note the date.

In the meantime, we pray for Neil as he prepares for his consecration on 30 November.

We look forward to his Episcopal ministry amongst us.

DG4J – Day Group for Jesus - Autumn Programme Sep to Dec 2023

Meeting on Zoom – 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

4. Monday 23 October 2023 Romans Study 4 Host tbd
5. Monday 06 November 2023 Romans Study 5 Host tbd
6. Monday 20 November 2023 Romans Study 6 Host tbd
7. Monday 04 December 2023 Romans Study 7 Host tbd
8. Monday 18 December 2023 Romans Study 8 Host tbd

Ethos – ‘All’ are warmly welcome to join our meetings.

For further details contact:

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Zoom Details:

Click on link below to join meeting:

<https://zoom.us/j/92404636497?pwd=bFJLbFM5TFdsalppekdRV2o1QzJEZz09>

Meeting ID: 924 0463 6497 Passcode: 181042

The Armour of God - Ephesians 6: 10 to 11 Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the full armour of God, ...

October Services

Sunday 29th 10.00 Today's worship will be a Partnership Service at Westlea Church (Westlea School) There will be no service in Toothill Church

November Services

Sunday 5th 10.30 Mrs Gayle Bryon

Sunday 12th 10.30 Rev Mark Tidey Remembrance Day Service

Sunday 19th 10.30 Mr Phil Bunce

Sunday 26th 10.30 Rev Mark Tidey

December Services

Sunday 10th 14.00 Memorial Service at St Mary's

Christmas Eve 18.00 Invited to the Village Inn Shaw to sing Christmas carols.

Peace begins with a smile and Jokes from Jess'



Q: What time was it when the monster ate the British prime minister?

A: Eight P.M.

What kind of key has no lock?

A; A turkey

Why did the farmer bury all his money?

A: To make his soil rich!

Why did the farmer's son study medicine?

A: Because he wanted to go into a different field!

Toothill Church Website *Toothill Church is part of the West Swindon and Lydiard Tregoze Church Partnership. We work with members at Westlea School, Holy Trinity Shaw, and St Mary's Lydiard Tregoze. Our members come from all denominations, or none, but we work closely with and come under the jurisdiction of four denominations: Anglican, Baptist, United Reformed Church, and Methodist.*





To the Churches in West Swindon,
Grace and peace to you from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ (Gal 1:3)

Building God's Kingdom in a new context.

There have been some updates around our churches, since the decision at our AGM to work towards dissolving the Partnership. It's time to update you all.

Here we share the statements of intent, made and agreed by the individual Churches, Westlea want to find a new beginning different to the others, and we pray God's blessing on them as they negotiate with others.

HTS - Affirmed a statement that they believe the only way forward is to become solely CofE by governance. While striving to sustain the multi-denominational welcome and ecumenical ethos as much as possible.

St Marys – Affirmed a statement that they believe the only way forward is to become solely CofE by governance. While striving to sustain the multi-denominational welcome and ecumenical ethos as much as possible.

Toothill - We recognise that the Church of England will be the only denomination offering ministerial support for Toothill in the future and that the Partnership will dissolve. Toothill Church will become Church of England by structure and governance. This change will happen over time and is expected to be completed by 2026. In the mean-time we continue to focus on Kingdom values through our culture of welcome, diversity of worship, ministry and outreach. As part of this we welcome and value the ministry of both Rev Mark Tidey and Rev Joseph Riberio, the Circuit and Partnership.

Westlea - Westlea Church will not remain as a single Church. The desire would be to merge with another Church probably outside the current Partnership who shares a desire with Westlea Church in looking to maintain a presence in Westlea. This though will require receiving leadership, attendance and worship leading resource from the merging church, and supporting activities for the community, for example, Litter Picking, Open The Book, Christmas Carols. Mark and Clive will meet regularly with the Westlea leadership team, to support them as they step into their unknown, and we will keep you up to date. New beginnings require new ways of working, at present some changes are more urgent than others. We need to move towards new structures and the exec recognises that finances, and safeguarding are the things we need to prioritise. As a consequence, the Children's worker post is on hold, As suggested by Churches Together in England (CTE) we will be looking to create Charitable Incorporated Organisations (CIOs) for the three churches remaining in the CofE parish. We will need help and expect the Diocese to assist us.

New beginnings bring new opportunities to build God's kingdom, so we hope you will bring your ideas and hopes as well as your questions to our Partnership open meeting on Wed evening, 18th October, 7:30 at Toothill Church. where we can share further with you. Rev Clive Deverell, Mark Dowling, Wendy Dukes, Neema Mariya, Chris Scarisbrick, Rev Mark Tidey
Partnership Executive.

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