



**10.30 Rev Mark Tidey
Morning Service plus
Annual Church Meeting**



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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 David Hoar

Weds 6th 11.00 Mr David Hoar Midweek Lent Communion Service

Important Notices - Your church needs you...

Worship Contact

After many years sterling service Nicola will be standing down from the post of Worship Contact. This is a vital role in contacting and coordinating worship leaders, musicians, readers, and intercessors every week. If you feel called to take the role on do, please speak to Mark Dowling. If you want to know more about the role, please speak to Nicola Hoar.

Church Treasurer

After several years sterling service Mike will be standing down from the post of Church Treasurer. This is a vital role in managing the church's money. If you feel called to take the role on do, please speak to Mark Dowling. If you want to know more about the role, please speak to Mike Black.

Church Committee Member

If you feel called to serve as a Church Committee Member do, please add your name to the nominations list in the foyer, you will need to be supported and signed for by another church member. If you want to know more about the role, please speak to one of the Committee Members (Mark, Rachel, Emma, Becky, Tony, Mike, Eddie).

Thank you,

Mark Dowling

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Wednesday 24th April Partnership Annual General Meeting

The Partnership AGM will take place in Toothill Church at 19.00 on Wednesday 24th April.

Partnership Midweek Lent Communion Services

Every Wednesday during Lent there will be a Holy Communion Service. All are welcome.

Welcome Space Wednesdays 12.30pm – 3.30pm

Toothill Church is open for anyone to come and meet and have a chat while keeping warm. There is: Free soup, bread and hot drinks available, and a selection of board games, Jigsaws, dominoes, crafts and adult colouring etc.

News from Rev Capt. Clive Deverell

Dear All,

An official press release will be published this week, but as you can see from the Cathedral newsletter. I am being made an Honorary Canon of Bristol Cathedral by Bishop Viv on Tuesday 5th of March at 5.15pm.
Clive

INSTALLATION OF CANONS

On Sunday 3 March at 3.30pm and Tuesday 5th March at 5.15pm, new Honorary Canons will be installed at Evensong. We pray for Robert Buckland, Richard Bacon, Clive Deverell, Paul Langham, Catherine Price, and Elizabeth Townend as they prepare.

Prayer for His Majesty the King.

Father of mercies, grant to Charles our King
Comfort and sure confidence in you.
And keep him in perpetual peace and safety,
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Water Aid – During Lent



During Lent we collect jars of money for Water Aid
Clean water, decent toilets and good hygiene are basic human rights.
They should be a normal part of daily life for everyone, everywhere – but they aren't. That's why we're here. With the help of amazing people like you, we're working with our partners in some of the toughest places in the world. Together, we've already reached millions of people with clean water, decent toilets and good hygiene, enabling entire communities to unlock their potential, break free from poverty and change their lives for good. And while installing taps and toilets is essential to our work, we do so much more.
Bring your jars of money with you on Easter Day.

Activities in Toothill Church

Monday	10.00 – 12.00	The Hub	Every week
Monday	14.00 - 16.00	U3A History Group 1 st & 3 rd Mondays	Next 4 th March 2024
Monday	17.00 - 19.00	West Swindon Youth Club Mondays	Every week term time only
Tuesday	10.00 – 12.00	U3A Travel Group	Next 27 th February 2024
Wednesday	12.30 – 15.30	Welcome Space every week	Every Week
Thursday	10.00 – 11.30	Toothill Tinies	Every week
Thursday	12.30 – 13.45	Bible Study in the church	Every week (See Below)
Friday	10.30 – 12.00	Music Group every 2 nd and 4 th Friday	Next 8 th March
Friday	17.00 – 19.00	Friday Club	Every week term time only

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 are praying.
Updates about those being prayed for are welcome.

Please pray for:

Alan (Emma's brother-in-law), Eileen and her family, Emma's friend Kate Storer, Jan and Gordon, Norma, Sarah and all those you know in need of God's special love, care and healing.

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

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

Welcome Space in our churches,

Our home congregation,

Our work with children, Hazelwood Academy, young people and families in Toothill and West Swindon.

A prayer for ourselves and those for whom we pray:

Force of life and love,

You give us each the tools and skills to shape and form your kingdom.

Comforter and friend,

You stand up as we stand up for the vision you placed before us.

Bringer of new life,

Open us up to a new way of living, so we may be full to the brim with your love;

And let your vision of peace, justice and hope spill out from each one of us

Through our words and actions this and every day.

Amen

Adapted from John Cooper, URC Prayer Handbook

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.urc.org.uk/> By using the same link you may also receive daily devotions which are sent out 6.00 am each day.

SPOTLIGHT 2024

Not a house group - not a Bible study - come along and find out what Spotlight is for yourself! We meet just for an hour, fortnightly on a Wednesday evening on Zoom; each session stands alone and is open to newcomers as well as regulars.

Everyone is welcome to reflect and share their thoughts about the Bible verses on screen or simply listen. Having learned from each other's insights, we leave enriched to live out our faith in daily life. No preparation is needed. Just turn up and we'll give you a warm welcome!

7.30-8.30pm (optional 7.15pm onwards - join us for a chat before the main session).

Dates: Feb 21 Mar 6, 20 Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85054218765?pwd=OGNES0c5VWVING5tZkV5VDJzSXVldz09>

Meeting ID: 850 5421 8765 Passcode: 049004

Susan, Liz and Julian (Susan: white1family@talktalk.net or tel 01793 878334)

News from The Diocese of Bristol

Upcoming dates for the diary:

11.05.2024: Everyday Faith - Pattern Church, Swindon: Exploring how churches can equip people to live as disciples making connections between our faith and everyday life. Keynote Speaker: Steve Rouse from the London Institute for Contemporary Christianity.

13.07.2024: We're in this together - St Paul's Church, Chippenham: An opportunity to reflect together on how we can create networks of support and communities that will encourage us in the journey of culture change.

14.09.2024: Creating Pathways into Faith - St Michael's Church Centre, Stoke Gifford: Building or identifying communities around our churches and thinking together about how we can create clear pathways that will lead people from encounter, through belonging and into commitment.

March Services

Weds 6 th	11.00	Mr David Hoar	Midweek Lent Communion Service
Sunday 10th	10.30	Rev Mark Tidey	
Weds 13 th	11.00	Rev Liz Arnold	Midweek Lent Communion Service
Sunday 17th	10.30	Rev Joseph Ribiero	Communion Service
Weds 20 th	11.00	Rev Trevor Day	Midweek Lent Communion Service
Sunday 24th	10.30	Rev Mark Tidey	Palm Sunday
Weds 27 th	11.00	Mr David Hoar	Midweek Lent Communion Service
Maundy Thurs	19.30	Rev Mark Tidey	Holy Communion at Toothill
Good Friday	10.30	Rev Mark Tidey	All Age Worship at Toothill

12.30 Prayer walk from Toothill to Holy Trinity Shaw: Angela Mak (Optional) bring sandwiches to at in Toothill Church before the walk.

14.00 Holy Hour Reflections at Holy Trinity Shaw at Easter experience stations with Angela Mak

Good Friday	19.00	Wendy Deverell	Tenebrae Service at St Mary's
Easter Day	06.15	Rev Trevor Day	Easter Day Sunrise Holy Communion Service at St Mary's
Easter Day	10.30	Rev Mark Tidey	Holy Communion

Friday Morning Prayers at 9.30 via Zoom

To Join Zoom Meeting

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

Meeting ID: 871 0566 8938 Passcode: 6pPH0J

DG4J (Day-group for Jesus)

Autumn Programme Jan 24 to Apr 24

Meeting on Zoom – 10:00am to 12:00pm

5. Monday, 26th February 24 – Lent 2 - Leader Pete – Venue HTS – Starts 10:30am
6. Monday, 4th March 24 – Lent 3 – Leader Mary – Venue HTS – Starts 10:30am
7. Monday, 11th March 24 – Lent 4 – Leader Edward – Venue HTS – Starts 10:30am
8. Monday, 18th March 24 – Lent 5 – Leader Angela – Venue HTS – Starts 10:30am
9. *Monday, 8th April 24 (should be 25 March 24) – Lent 6 - Leader Pete – Zoom

Ethos – 'All' are warmly welcome to join our meetings.

*Moved to after Easter due to clash with Easter Experience (25/3 to 27/3) at HTS

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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

Dial-in Number: 0330 088 5830

Notes:

The dates for meetings can also be found on Holy Trinity Shaw's website:

<http://htschurch.org.uk/>

All meetings are on Zoom, unless otherwise specified.

Peace begins with a smile from Jess - Farming joke



A young man named Joe bought a horse from a farmer for £250. The farmer agreed to deliver the horse within the next few days. A couple of days later, the farmer drove up to Joe's house and said, 'Sorry son, but I have some bad news, the horse died.' Joe replied, 'Well, then just give me my money back.' The farmer said, 'Can't do that. I've spent it already.' Joe said, 'Ok, then, just bring me the dead horse.'

The farmer asked, 'What are you going to do with it?'

Joe said, 'I'm going to raffle him off.'

The farmer said, 'You can't flog a dead horse!'

Joe said, 'Sure I can, Watch me. I just won't tell anybody he's dead.'

A month Later, the farmer met up with Joe and asked, 'What happened with that dead horse?'

Joe said, 'I raffled him off. I sold 500 tickets at £5 apiece and made a profit of £2495.'

The farmer said, 'Didn't anyone complain?'

Joe said, 'Just the guy who won. So I gave him his £5 back.'

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.*



Lent Course for the Partnership and beyond

**Act on Poverty Course,
from Christian Aid**

(Sessions led by Day Group for Jesus leaders)

Where: Holy Trinity Shaw Church – Sunshine Room

When: 10.30 am to 12.00, weekly during Lent

Everybody welcome – invite your friends along.

1. Monday, 4th March 24 – Lent 3 – Leader Mary. **Generous**
2. Monday, 11th March 24 – Lent 4 – Leader Edward. **Located**
3. Monday, 18th March 24 – Lent 5 – Leader Angela. **Hopeful**
4. *Monday, 8th April 24 - Lent 6. Leader Pete. **Together**

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‘ Loving our neighbours means living out our faith on a local and global scale. This course offers valuable resources to help us make a difference by speaking out and engaging decision makers. ’

- Rt Revd Dr Guli Francis-Dehqani (The Bishop of Chelmsford).

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