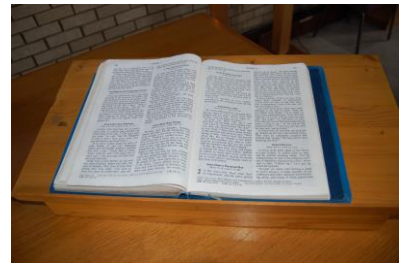




Sunday 8th August 2021
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For contacting, various groups see the front page of Toothill Church Website.

Welcome to everyone worshipping with us today; for those who have difficulty hearing there is a loop system in operation.

In Partnership (The Partnership Monthly magazine): <http://wswinlyd.org.uk/news>

This Sunday Mrs Rachel Dowling

Next Sunday No Service in Toothill Church

Covid regulations for Toothill Church

If you are planning to come to church on Sundays, please be aware of the following guidelines, even though the government has relaxed the rules. Churches have vulnerable people attending services therefore to try to keep everyone safe we will continue with these guidelines..

- 1 Do not come to church if you are feeling unwell.
- 2 Please continue to wear a mask while moving about in the church but feel free to remove the mask once you sit in your seat.
- 3 Seating will still be social distanced.
- 4 The NHS QR reader or the sheet for you to put your name on will remain in place for you to check in
- 5 Hand sanitisers will remain, please use them.
- 6 Singing will be allowed but gently not singing with full gusto. (No matter how tempting it might be)
- 7 While singing we ask you to wear a mask.

The Committee will keep a careful watch on how well these measures work and will review them at any time also the above are subject to change in accordance with government or denominational guidelines.

For Holy Communion we will be using the small glasses and pre cut bread ready for distribution. All prepared under sanitised conditions and the officiant will sanitise hands immediately prior to distribution.

We want everyone to feel safe and assured that we are doing everything we can to make our worship an enjoyable and spiritual period of praise.

Toothill Church committee

Music Group Dates

All music group times will be 10.45 – 12.15.

Wednesday 11th & 25th August

Wednesday 22nd September

Property & Finance meeting

Monday 23rd August Property & Finance 7.00pm in the church

Church Committee meeting

Tuesday September 28th 7.30

Prayers for today



Do please let us know if there is someone you would like to add to the list for prayer, remembering that we must have the permission of the person for whom we would be praying. Please pray for Bill and Rhoda, Ann Beaumont, Graham's cousin Hayley, Norris and Ruth, Sarah, Hazel, Tina, and all those you know who are in need of God's special love, care and healing.

We pray for our ministers Clive, Rachael, Trevor and Teresa and all our children's and worship leaders and their families across the Partnership.

May God bless us all with wisdom and strength to face each day's challenges.

Please pray for your home congregation that they may be sustained as we begin to meet together again, and for the continuing work with our children, young people and families in West Swindon.

We pray for Grace, Peace and a way forward in your Love in these uncertain times in our lives. May we continually thank God for his great Love and Faithfulness.

St Mary's Strawberry Cream Teas

Dates: Sundays - August 01, 08, 15, 22, 29.

- September 12, 19.

Times: 1.30 - 4.30 pm

Price: £3.50 per person

Place: Outside the stable-room.

These events can only take place WEATHER PERMITTING.

Tables/chairs will be cleaned between customers.

Orders will be taken at the tables and delivered to you at your tables.

Cash payment only please.

Feel free to circulate this to your friends and families.

Come along yourself and bring people with you.

Risk Assessments have been carried out to keep all our customers Covid-safe.

Your co-operation would be appreciated.

Some alternatives available:

- Fruit or plain scones
- Soya milk
- Gluten-free cakes
- Decaffeinated tea/coffee
- Orange juice/squash

With Every Blessing,

Lyn

Lynwen Morgan On behalf of St Mary's Church Communications Group



(Picture of Devonshire Cream Tea)

Last Sunday's Prayer Walk around Toothill

Following our first Prayer Walk around some of the streets of Toothill, including Hazelwood Academy, in June we continued visiting other streets including Oliver Tomkins' Schools and Nursery last Sunday. Five of us met at Toothill Church and prayed before setting off and when we finished, using the '40 Days of Prayer' material which you may have used to pray for our community over June and July last year, 2020. We talked about where we were in Toothill as we walked and shared concerns and joys and prayed for individual people known to us. As before the weather was mostly kind to us only raining at the very end. We hope to do this again soon to complete every part of Toothill. A blessing to those around us and filling us with joy. Nicola.

Message from Debbie regarding Threshold

I am collecting coat hangers for the charity I work for which is Threshold Housing for the Homeless, if anyone has coat hanger's they don't want I am happy to collect them from you, they can be plastic, metal or wooden etc.

Regards

Debbie(01793-321677) phone number if anyone would like to contact me regarding the above.

Or give to Tony on a Sunday

Readings: John 6:35 NRSV

35 Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.'

John 6:41-51 NRSV

41 Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, 'I am the bread that came down from heaven.' 42 They were saying, 'Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, "I have come down from heaven"?' 43 Jesus answered them, 'Do not complain among yourselves. 44 No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. 45 It is written in the prophets, "And they shall all be taught by God." Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. 46 Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. 47 Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. 48 I am the bread of life. 49 Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. 50 This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. 51 I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.'

Prayer - Despite the depths

O Lord I try, I really do, and yet my intentions fail.

It might be my fault, or that someone I trust lets me down.

So what should I do? Give, or push onwards?

How do I keep going when, even though my goal is insight, something knocks me sideways and I am overcome with emotion?

How do I keep going when my heart is heavy with pain? Or when a good thing happens, and I want to celebrate but something else won't let me enjoy it.

Or when I want to stop because it's all just too much?

Or when I am so tired, so drained that I can barely think, and I have exhausted all sense of hope?

And yet, in the middle of everything, I remember that you gave up your very self – for me. Yes...me!
You promise me that deep satisfaction which others offer, but no one else can provide.

May I not waste my life on things which inevitably fail me.

May my load never detract me from your path.

May my soul always recognise and enjoy the fruits of your promises. Amen

David Williams URC Prayer Handbook

All services will be in the church every two weeks until September when they will be every week. Subject to any Covid regulations.

Sunday worship in August

Sunday 22nd Mr David Hoar (Theme - The amour of God)

September

Sunday 5th Rev Rachael Wilson Communion

Sunday 12th Mr Mark Dowling

Sunday 19th Rev Shirlyn Topping (Superintendent, Upper Thames Methodist Circuit)

Sunday 26th Mr David Hoar Harvest Festival

Polish Church

To be advised.

Jess says- Peace begins with smile – Guess with Jess?



This year summer quiz - guess the place. Jess may not appear in all the photographs. Answer to last week's picture - Lower Slaughter

- 1 This Wiltshire house and garden is world famous
- 2 In 1717 sold to Henry Hoare, son of wealthy banker Sir Richard Hoare a wealthy banker
- 3 The grounds and house have been used in many film and TV productions including. 2005 Pride and Prejudice, - 1989 Miss Marple (Nemesis)

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