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'To Know Christ and to make him Known'

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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.

Refreshments will be served after the service.

Tonight:Ian Bryon's Local Preacher Recognition service is going to be held at Royal WoottonBassett Methodist Church at 6.30 pm.

Next Sunday: Re Trevor Day

Toothill Church Covid Rules

Masks/ face coverings to be worn during service.
 There is a basket at the back of the church for your offerings as you enter.
 Please use the hand sanitizers.

Activities in Toothill Church

Monday	10.00 The Hub	Every week
Monday	14.00 U3A History Group every two weeks	Next 7 th March
Monday	17.00 West Swindon Youth Club	Every week term time only
Monday	18.30 New Generation Dance Club 11yrs upwards	Every week term time only
Tuesday	10.00 U3A Travel Group	Next 29 th March
Tuesday	16.30 News Generation Dance Club 4yrs – 10 years	Every week term time only
Wednesday	10.45 – 12.15 Music Group Every second and fourth Wed	Next 9 th March
Wednesday	19.30 Bible Study Lent Course via Zoom every two weeks	Next 9 th March
Thursday	09.00 Toothill Tinies	Every week
Thursday	18.00 – 20.00 Toothill Big Lottery Community Meeting	Next 17 th March
Friday	14.00 U3A Craft Group every two weeks	Next 11 th March
Friday	17.00 Friday Club	Every week term time only
Sundays	Polish Church 13.00 – 17.00 Mr Krzysztof Widomski	First Sunday of each month

Prayer 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. Please pray for: Norma Miller David's brother Alan in RUH Bath Sean and Di, Tina Rachel Dowling's Family of Debbie and Mark, Helen and baby Freddy, James and Karin, Jan and Gordon, Gerry and all the family especially her sister Vivien, Bill and Rhoda, Ann Beaumont, Graham's cousin Hayley, Sarah and her family, Hazel, Ann Hall, And all those you know who need God's special love, care and healing.



We pray for our ministers Clive, Rachael, Trevor, Teresa and Mark Tidey 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 meet together, 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. May we continually thank God for his great Love and Faithfulness.

Fair Trade



Toothill Church made the decision several years ago to be a Fair-Trade church and we have a notice saying we are a Fair-Trade Church, unfortunately we have slipped slightly and some items in the kitchen need to be replaced with Fair Trade items. To this end we will be buying the equivalent teas and coffees which are at present in the kitchen but will be sourced through the Fair Trade.

Fairtrade's approach enables farmers and workers to have more control over their lives and decide how to invest in their future.

As a leader in the global movement to make trade fair, Fairtrade supports and challenges businesses and governments while connecting farmers and workers with the people who buy their products.

By choosing Fairtrade, people can create change through their everyday actions.

As a church we should be seen to be using these products in all aspects and activities in the church where possible.

Water Aid



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.

Willows Counselling



Willows Counselling & Training is a charity based in Old Town, Swindon and has been established for over 32 years.

Counselling & **Training** Firmly embedded in the Swindon community, Willows offers a counselling service for people going through difficult life events and want someone to talk to. They also specialise in counselling people affected by trauma and abuse with its complexities.

Willows has a governing board of Trustees and their Chair, Susan Tollington, said, "We are passionate about helping and empowering people in our community who find themselves with life issues that are affecting their peace of mind."

Recognised as a leading training agency, Willows regularly run courses and workshops for people who want to become professional counsellors.

Willows receives no statutory funding and rely on financial support by submitting applications to funders, donations from organisations and individuals.

Find out more at <u>www.willowscounselling.org.uk</u> Email <u>willows@willowscounselling.org.uk</u> Willows, 11 Prospect Place, Old Town, Swindon SN1 3LQ. Phone 01793 426 650 Follow <u>Facebook Twitter LinkedIn YouTube Instagram</u>

Prayer for the Ukraine

God of all,

with alarm and concern we bring before you the military intervention in Ukraine.

In a world you made for peace and flourishing, we lament the use of armed force.

We mourn every casualty of this conflict, every precious life extinguished by war.

We pray comfort for those who grieve and those who are fearful.

Hear our longing that leaders and nations will honour the worth of all people by having the courage to resolve conflict through dialogue.

May all our human failings be transformed by your wonderful grace and goodness.

We ask this in the name of Christ, the author of peace and sustainer of Creation.

Amen.

Prayer for Hope

God of all time,

God of this time,

these times are difficult, and we bring them to you.

There have been other times like this when countries have invaded others.

You show us countries seized, a village or settlement at a time and countries facing full invasion.

You reveal, when we dare to look, how national boundaries have changed like waves on the sand.

We feel so powerless; it all is so human and so tragic.

We bring it all to you in our confusion and worry.

Remind us, as ever, that worry is not what we must carry.

Remind us that worry makes us smaller, makes our powerlessness real.

Fill the place that worry has taken in our hearts and replace it with hope.

Give us courage to read the news as we can, to listen, to watch, to understand.

As we face the reality of these times, we pray for your hope to carry and fill us.

Let hope be the insight which we gift to each other.

Fill us with your knowledge that hope is as real an act as giving our money and our welcome. You will bring peace, as ever you do.

Give us courage to gift your hope to that process.

In the name of your incarnated Christ and in the power and presence of Holy Spirit, Amen

Day Group for Jesus - Spring Programme 10.00 – 12.00

Monday, 7th March 22 – Love 1 – Leader Angela Monday, 21st March 22 – Love 2 – Leader Pete Monday, 4th April 22 – Holiness 1 – Leader Edward

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*** We will be continuing with our Zoom calls until further notice. Zoom Meeting details are: Click on link below to join meeting: <u>https://zoom.us/j/92404636497?pwd=bFJLbFM5TFdsalppekdRV2o1QzJEZz09</u>
Meeting ID: 924 0463 6497
Passcode: 181042
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Motto: 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,

March Services		
Sunday 20 th	10.30 Mrs Rachel Dowling	
Sunday 27 th	10.30 Mr & Mrs Hoar and Music Group	Mothering Sunday
April Services		
Sunday 3 rd	10.30 Rev Rachael Wilson	Communion
Sunday 10 th	10.30 Mr David Hoar	Palm Sunday
Maundy Thursday	TBA Rev Trevor Day	Toothill Church
Good Friday	10.00 Westlea Church	Westlea School
Good Friday	19.30 Tenebrae	St Mary's Church
Easter Day	10.30 Rev Mark Tidey	Communion

Peace begins with a smile – Especially for stamp collectors



Billy, a nine-year-old, took up the hobby of collecting stamps. He was very enthusiastic about it until one day his neighbours' kid saw his impressive collection and took up the hobby. Billy complained to his Dad: "I don't want to collect stamps anymore!

Andy has every stamp that I have!" "Don't be stupid, son", his dad said. "Don't you know that imitation is the

best form of philately."

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.

