# 'To Know Christ and to make him Known'



## **Mrs Rachel Dowling**



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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.

**This Sunday:** Mrs Rachel Dowling

Next Sunday: Mrs Nicola Hoar and the Music Group and young people of our church- Mothering Sunday

#### For Members who are unable to get to church.

Every Sunday since the first Lockdown the URC have been producing on line services which may be read or listened to. While our church was closed during the lockdowns, I included the link to the service in the Newsletter. Bearing in in mind we have several members who are unable to get to church I am adding the link each week for you to use if you wish. <a href="https://devotions.urc.org.uk/">https://devotions.urc.org.uk/</a> By using the same link you may also receive daily devotions which are sent out 6.00 am each day.

Sunday's service will be led by the Revd. Paul Whittle. Paul is a URC minister currently serving as Moderator of the National Synod of Scotland. Hymns this week include Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of Creation. John Newton's How sweet the name of Jesus sounds and Fred Kaan's The love of God is broad like beach and meadow.

The service will be sent out, as normal to those who have registered, at 9.45 on Sunday morning for a 10am start or if you can click on the above link.

#### **Lent Courses**

This is the third week of our six week Lent course, if you have missed any don't worry you can still join us for the remaining sessions.

#### Session 3 next Wednesday is Race, ethnicity, austerity and faith.

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88205977420?pwd=YXFCOW1SU1VhSDJ1MTlRZ0hlczNUUT09

### **Activities in Toothill Church**

Monday	10.00 The Hub	Every week
Monday	14.00 U3A History Group every two weeks	Next 21 <sup>st</sup> 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 <sup>th</sup> March
Tuesday	16.30 News Generation Dance Club 4yrs – 10 years	Every week term time only

Wednesday10.45 – 12.15 Music Group Every second and fourth WedNext 23rd MarchWednesday19.30 Bible Study Lent Course via Zoom weeklyNext 23rd MarchThursday09.00 Toothill TiniesEvery weekThursday18.00 – 20.00 Toothill Big Lottery Community MeetingNext 21st AprilFriday14.00 U3A Craft Group every two weeksNext 25th 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

Sean and Di

Rachel Dowling's Family of Debbie and Mark, Helen and baby Freddy, James and Karin,

Jan and Gordon,

Gerry and all the family,

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.

#### **Prayers for Peace - Ukraine-Russia Conflict**

At this time of escalating tension,

we pray with people around the world for peace to prevail:

God of the nations, whose sovereign rule brings

justice and peace,

have mercy on our broken and divided world.

Shed abroad your peace in the hearts of all

and banish from them the spirit that makes for war,

that all races and peoples may learn to live

as members of one family

and in obedience to your law,

through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### **Water Aid**



In support of 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.



#### **URC Turns 50 this year**

During the year There are special services and events to mark the 50<sup>th</sup> Year since the United Reformed Church was formed.

#### 50th anniversary tickets available

Free tickets to the URC's 50th Anniversary Service of Celebration and Thanksgiving are

now available.

On the afternoon of Saturday 1 October 2022, in Methodist Central Hall Westminster, London, where the Uniting Assembly of the URC took place in October 1972, a chance to give thanks and to celebrate the five decades of the United Reformed Church. We want as many people as possible from across the denomination to attend.

Several venues, including United Reformed Church House, local URCs and buildings of ecumenical partners, will be available for people to visit during the day, to offer activities, information, workshops, reflection, discussions, singing, catering and other support for visitors before the service.

This is a free event and we will be asking nearer the time for a confirmation of numbers.

Book your tickets online

Book your tickets through the Eventbrite booking system here: bit.ly/urc50.

#### Prayer - Turn, turn, turn

A strange economy Lord,

Buying and eating with no money, wine and milk for all, without price.

We do things differently.

Producers must be paid so they can develop their businesses, employ workers and create wealth.

That's the way things are since Adam delved and Eve span.

Constrained. So many responsibilities. A family to feed.

Investments to be made. A future secured.

Some safety for the next generation.

Does it satisfy? Of course it doesn't, Lord. Ratcheting hours, all demanding tasks, perpetual worries, eat sleep, work, that's it.

How can I turn Lord, How can I "repent" and step off the roundabout? It is too frightening to contemplate.

Child, I appointed you to bear fruit, and I see none but, yes, one more year and perhaps you will.

Open your eyes and see my kingdom – a blessing for all.

Come, take courage and reach out your hand.

Turn, my child, turn, turn.

David Cornick URC Prayer Handbook

#### Day Group for Jesus - Spring Programme 10.00 - 12.00

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

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

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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:

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

Meeting ID: 924 0463 6497 Passcode: 181042

Dial-in Number: 0330 088 5830

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, ....

#### **April Services**

Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	10.30 Rev Rachael Wilson	Communion
Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 Mr David Hoar	Palm Sunday
<b>Maundy Thursday</b>	19.30 Rev Trevor Day	Toothill Church
<b>Good Friday</b>	10.00 Westlea Church	Westlea School
<b>Good Friday</b>	19.30 Tenebrae	St Mary's Church
Easter Day	10.30 Rev Mark Tidey	Communion



#### Peace begins with a smile - For those who like taxi's

I just started working as a taxi driver, I'm really going places.

Who earns a living driving their customers away? A taxi driver.

I was in a taxi when the driver said "I love my job. I am my own boss; nobody tells me what to do" I then told him to turn right.

On the holidays I got quite drunk and being a responsible person I

decided to take a taxi home It's still in my backyard what do you think I should do with it?

#### **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.

