



Mrs Nicola Hoar and the Music Group Mothering Sunday Service



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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 Nicola Hoar and the Music Group and young people of our church– Mothering Sunday

Next Sunday: Rev Rachael Wilson Holy Communion

For Members who are unable to get to church.

I am adding the link each week for the online URC service for you to use if you wish.

<https://devotions.urch.org.uk/> 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. Jenny Mills, the URC's Secretary for Education and Learning. Although based at Church House, Jenny regularly travels the length and breadth of our denomination meeting with folk and supporting lifelong learning across the United Reformed Church. In our fourth Sunday in Lent, we explore Luke's account of the Parable of the Lost Son. Hymns include Marty Haugen's Here in this place, Horatius Bonar's I heard the voice of Jesus say, and Brother Sister Let Me Serve you.

The service will be sent out, as normal, at 9.45 on Sunday morning for a 10am start with every blessing, Dan Morrell

Technical Assistant, Daily Devotion Sunday Services from the URC

Lent Courses

This is the fourth week of our six-week Lent course, if you have missed any don't worry you can still join us for the remaining sessions led by Mark and Rachel Dowling.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87047921606?pwd=Nncyc2RUc29vTysyeXISR1NkRTZNz09>

Activities in Toothill Church

Monday	10.00 The Hub	Every week
Monday	14.00 U3A History Group every two weeks	Next 4 th April
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 12 th April
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 13 th April
Wednesday	19.30 Bible Study Lent Course via Zoom weekly	Next 30 th March
Thursday	09.00 Toothill Tinies	Every week
Thursday	18.00 – 20.00 Toothill Big Lottery Community Meeting	Next 21 st April
Friday	14.00 U3A Craft Group every two weeks	Next 8 th April
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

Saturday 1st April Spring Jumble sale and Craft Fair in Toothill Church 10.00 – 12.00

Sunday 1st May

There will no service in Toothill Church. The service will be a Partnership Service at Holy Trinity Shaw and will include the baptism of Norma Miller.

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

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.

Prayer for Mothering Sunday

God, our Father and Mother, we thank you for mothers who loved and nurtured us, showing us the way to live.

We rejoice with new mothers at the wonderful gift of new life, but we also remember and pray for those who are grieving because of a miscarriage, a stillbirth or infertility.

We pray for mothers who are grieving the loss of a child and for children and adults grieving the loss of a mother.

We pray for mothers estranged from their children, and children who have left home and whose whereabouts is unknown.

We pray for all who have never known a mother's love and have been abused, neglected and unloved.

We ask that they will find the mother-heart of you, our God, and feel your peace.

Help us to be sensitive to the needs of others, and to be people who "rejoice with those who rejoice, and weep with those who weep."

We pray in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, who knows us all intimately and loves each one. Amen.

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.
Take away 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.
Have mercy on Ukraine and flood the hearts of all with your peace, we pray,
through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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.



Faith – Hope – Love –
Since 1972

URC Turns 50 this year

During the year There are special services and events to mark the 50th 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.

Brief outline of the United Reformed Church

The URC began on 5th October 1972 when two churches, the Presbyterian Church of England and the Congregational Church in England and Wales, joined together after union had been recognised by an act of Parliament. It further developed when the Churches of Christ joined the URC in 1981 followed by the Congregational Union of Scotland in 2000. This makes the URC 50 years old this year.

The purpose and ethos of the URC is to be intentionally outward looking.

We are committed to 'God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit – the living God the only God, ever to be praised.' The URC has about 47,000 members in at least 1,300 congregations with more than 600 ministers. More than 60,000 people worship in URC churches each week. Including 13,000 who are under 18, and many more take part in the weekday activities of the churches including 30,000 under 18s. We don't all agree about everything, and sometimes agree to disagree, but we committed to being a family of churches together.

Day Group for Jesus - Spring Programme 10.00 – 12.00

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 3rd 10.30 Rev Rachael Wilson

Communion

Sunday 10th 10.30 Mr David Hoar

Palm Sunday

Maundy Thursday 19.30 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

Sunday 24th 10.30 Mr Adam Longhurst

Peace begins with a smile – For people who like cars



What do you call a Ford Fiesta that ran out of gas?

A Ford Siesta

When is a car not a car?

When it turns into a driveway.

A man drove his expensive car into a tree... And found out how the Mercedes bends.

I couldn't work out how to fasten my seatbelt.

Then it clicked.

What do you call a used car salesman?

A car-deal-ologist.

And finally, especially for motorcyclists:

Why can't motorcycles hold themselves up? Because they are two-tired.

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.

