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Toothill Church Newsletter

'To Know Christ and to make him Known'



Rev Rachel Wilson Communion



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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: Rev Rachael Wilson Holy Communion

Next Sunday: Mr David Hoar Palm Sunday



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.

<u>https://devotions.urc.org.uk/</u> 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. Dr Janet Tollington. Janet is a retired minister, most notably serving as Director of Old Testament Studies at Westminster College, Cambridge. She remains in Cambridge, as a member of Downing Place URC in the city centre. Hymns this Sunday include Great Is Thy Faithfulness, Brian Wren's This is a day a day of new beginnings and Thanks to God Whose Word Was Spoken.

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

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 (Zoom link will be sent out later)

Music Group

Unfortunately, the Music Group meeting due on Wednesday 13th April has had to be cancelled.

Sunday 1st May

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

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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 (Cancelled)
Wednesday	19.30 Bible Study Lent Course via Zoom weekly	Next 6 th April
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

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.

Prayers for Peace - Ukraine-Russia Conflict

Holy and Gracious God

We pray for the people of Ukraine and the people of Russia; for their countries and their leaders. We pray for all those who are afraid; that your everlasting arms hold them in this time of great fear. We pray for all those who have the power over life and death; that they will choose for all people life, and life in all its fullness.

We pray for those who choose war; that they will remember that you direct your people to turn our swords into ploughshares and seek for peace.

We pray for leaders on the world stage; that they are inspired by the wisdom and courage of Christ. Above all, Lord, today we pray for peace for Ukraine. And we ask this in the name of your blessed Son. Lord have mercy. Amen



During Lent we collect jars of money for Water Aid Clean water, decent toilets and good hygiene are basic human rights.

Water 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 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: <u>bit.ly/urc50</u>.

The United Reformed Church part two

The URC have churches in England Scotland and Wales (Including Welsh-speaking congregations). And about a third of our churches are ecumenical partnerships with other ecumenical denominations including Methodists, Baptists, Church of England, Church of Scotland, Church in Wales., Roman Catholics, and Moravians. The more we work together, the more we witness to our oneness with Christ.

In the URC you will find churches of all shapes and sizes. Some have large buildings with many rooms, and others are small one-room buildings in rural locations. Some are very old. In rural locations (e.g. The URC church at Aston Tirrold south of Didcot) others are newly built or refurbished.

Many are used for a range of activities as well as worship, such as toddler groups, lunch clubs, craft clubs, Guide and Scout Groups.

When you step inside a URC building like many other denominational churches, you might see bright banners, stained glass windows, flower displays, pews, chairs, café, a pulpit, a cross, offices and more.



All will display the URC logo which has been developed and changed over the years. There is a place for everyone, whether it's a cushion, a chair or a pew.

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

Maundy Thursday	19.30 Rev Trevor Day
Good Friday	10.00 Westlea Church
Good Friday	19.30 Tenebrae
Easter Day	10.30 Rev Mark Tidey
Sunday 24 th	10.30 Mr Adam Longhurst

Toothill Church Westlea School St Mary's Church Communion

May Services

Sunday 1 st	10.30 Partnership Service at HTS + baptism of Norma Miller.
Sunday 8 th	10.30 Mr David Hoar and Mrs Pat Watson
Sunday 15 th	10.30 Mr Mark Dowling
Sunday 22 nd	10.30 Rev Capt. Clive Deverell
Sunday 29 th	10.30 Rev mark Tidey

Peace begins with a smile -



Do you know what is the hardest part of learning to ride a bike? The pavement.

A boy was riding his bicycle and he sees his mum in the front garden. He releases the handle and yells to his mum "Look mum, no hands!" His mum replies "Be careful, son..." Then he releases his legs from the pedals and says "Look mum, no legs!" His mum replies more sternly "Be careful, son..." The

little boy then abruptly falls to the dismay of his mum. The boy slowly gets back up and says "Look mum, no teeth!"

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.

