



## Rev Mark Tidey Easter Day Communion Service



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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.

**Rising from death, today Christ greets his people. Rising with all creation, we greet you as our King**

**This Sunday:** 10.30 Rev Mark Tidey Communion

**Next Sunday** 10.30 Mr Adam Longhurst

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

The link for the online URC service for you to use if you wish. <https://devotions.urc.org.uk/>  
By using the same link, you may also receive daily devotions which are sent out 6.00 am each day.

There is a special reflective Good Friday service led by the Revd. Dr John Bradbury, General Secretary of the United Reformed Church. John's service will be sent out at 10am but you may listen to it, perhaps collectively as a congregation, at any time.

Sunday's service, Easter Day, will be led by the Revd. Elizabeth Welch and members of St Andrew's URC, Ealing. This 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

**Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> May**

There will no service in Toothill Church. Sunday Worship will be a Partnership Service for us all at Holy Trinity Shaw and will include the Baptism of Norma Miller.

**Activities in Toothill Church**

<b>Monday</b>	10.00 The Hub	Every week
<b>Monday</b>	14.00 U3A History Group every two weeks	Next 30 <sup>th</sup> April
<b>Monday</b>	17.00 West Swindon Youth Club	Every week term time only
<b>Monday</b>	18.30 New Generation Dance Club 11yrs upwards	Every week term time only
<b>Tuesday</b>	10.00 U3A Travel Group	Next 26 <sup>th</sup> April
<b>Tuesday</b>	16.30 News Generation Dance Club 4yrs – 10 years	Every week term time only
<b>Wednesday</b>	10.45 – 12.15 Music Group Every second and fourth Wed	Next 27 <sup>th</sup> April
<b>Wednesday</b>	19.30 Bible Study	TBA
<b>Thursday</b>	09.00 Toothill Tinies	Every week

**Thursday** 18.00 – 20.00 Toothill Big Lottery Community Meeting  
**Friday** 14.00 U3A Craft Group every two weeks  
**Friday** 17.00 Friday Club  
**Sundays** Polish Church 13.00 – 17.00 Mr Krzysztof Widomski

Next 21<sup>st</sup> April  
Next 22<sup>nd</sup> April  
Every week term time only  
First Sunday of each month

### Ann Hall

It is with sadness we announce the death of Ann Hall a long-term member of Toothill Church who died peacefully last Sunday evening. John her lifelong friend from London came to our Palm Sunday service and after a light lunch with us we went to see Ann in the nursing home. We gave her a palm cross and a prayer bookmark which was read to her, before we left her, we all held hands and prayed. Ann died later in the evening.

Ann moved to Swindon with the Bible Society and found her church with us at Toothill. Ann was heavily involved in the church and became an editor of the newsletter in the early days of the church.

Our thoughts and prayers and condolences go to Avril her nearest relative and Ann's cousins and to John her lifelong friend. Ann's funeral will be at Kingsdown Crematorium on Friday, 6th May 2022 at 1:30 pm.



### 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:

Alex, Anna and Olivia fleeing from the Ukraine

Norma Miller

Sean and Di

Rachel Dowling's Family including 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,

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 strengthened, 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 families who have fled the Ukraine because of the war, especially for Alex, his daughter Anna and granddaughter Olivia and her dog. We also pray for Anna's husband who stayed behind in the Ukraine. Keep him safe Lord and give peace of mind to this family and many other families like them.

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

### Prayer

Easter God,

We are awash in the exuberance of words today, the reckless outrageousness of stories, the extravagance of promises.

Resurrection lifts us and heals us.

It reaches into the deepest corners of our doubt and disappointment with the saving power of hope.

It targets the cynic in us and dares us to believe in love stronger than hate,

Forgiveness stronger than sin,

Life stronger than death.

We too are raised, and we sing our joy to you.

When the singing is over and the beautiful words have faded away, plant Easter into our souls.

Help us to live it through acts of justice and compassion, perseverance, and faith, until creation joins the song of Easter Joy. Amen

*Roberta Rominger URC Prayer Handbook*

### DG4J (Day-group for Jesus)

Summer Programme Apr 22 to Jul 22 Meeting Via Zoom– 10:00am to 12:00pm

Monday, 25th April 22 – Holiness 2 – Leader Angela

Monday, 9th May 22 – Mission – Leader Pete (LLG)

Monday, 23rd May 22 – Meekness and Submission 1 – Leader Edward

Monday, 6th June 22 – Meekness and Submission 2 - Leader Angela

Monday, 20th June 22 – Kenosis 1 – Leader Lis

Monday, 4th July 22 – Kenosis 2 – Leader Angela

Monday, 18th July 22 – Climate Change Update – Leader Edward

Ethos – ‘All’ are warmly welcome to join our meetings.

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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, ....

Note: The dates for meetings can also be found on Holy Trinity Shaw’s website: <http://htschurch.org.uk/>



## URC Children's birthday card competition.

Design a card, either digitally or on A4 paper, that a church or synod could send to a child aged one-to-12. Please leave a space for the the URC Children's logo. Up to three entries per child can be made and sent to the URC Children's and Youth team by [email](#) or post to Church House, 86 Tavistock Place, London WC1H 9RT by 10 June. Please include name and age, connection with the URC, email address, and a signature from parent or carer.

### The URC

In the URC we are all invited to come as we are. Some people like dress in Sunday best, others dress for comfort. You may see people wearing their traditional dress, especially when celebrating diversity and cultures.

In some churches, you will the Minister wearing special clothes. It might be a dog collar (special shirt with white strip) or a full-length black overdress called a cassock – each minister can decide what they would like to wear to lead worship.

As members of God's family, we can all bring our unique gifts and talents, whatever our age, to create and participate in worship.

URC Youth bring the concerns and passions and gifts of young people, and the 1990 URC Charter for children reminds us that ALL are equal partners in faith and worship. Work is under way to rewrite this charter, moving us towards and increasingly inclusive intergenerational church.

### Trip to the Passion Play in Oberammergau and the Holy Land

Revd Paul Snell (County Ecumenical Officer for Churches Together in Devon) is leading a 10 day pilgrimage to visit the Passion Play in Oberammergau followed by the Holy Land, from 7th - 16th September this year. This is a unique opportunity to cover two sought after visits in one journey.

We fly to Munich, travelling on to Oberammergau, stay over for two nights to see the play (full board on this section of the trip) and then fly on to the Holy Land for a 7 day tour with 3 days in Jerusalem (including Bethlehem), a day visiting the Dead Sea and Masada, and 2 days in Galilee followed by a final day travelling via the Mediterranean coast and Caesarea. This part of the trip is Half Board. We stay in good quality hotels, travel by private coach, have our own local guide and the trip includes full entrance fees to all sites. There is an option of staying on for a further 3 days in Jerusalem.

Full details can be found via these links for the brochure and online booking form. No deposits are required at this stage because of the current ongoing pandemic but will be requested sometime in May.

<http://www.maranatha.co.uk/PassionPlay2022RevPaulSnell/e-brochure.pdf>

<http://www.maranatha.co.uk/PassionPlay2022RevPaulSnell/RegForm/index.html>



### May Services

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

### June Services

<b>Sunday 5<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>10.00 Angela Mac/Team of Westlea Church – Westlea School</b>
<b>Sunday 12<sup>th</sup></b>	10.30 Rev Mark Tidey
<b>Sunday 19<sup>th</sup></b>	10.30 Rev Mark Tidey
<b>Sunday 26<sup>th</sup></b>	10.30 Rev Gerald England

## Peace begins with a smile – Happy Easter



What happened to the Easter Bunny when he misbehaved at school?

He was eggspelled!

How many Easter eggs can you put in an empty basket?

Only one. After that it's not empty anymore!

Did you hear about the bunny who sat on a bumblebee? It's a tender tail.

What do you call an Easter egg from outer space? An egg-straterrestrial!

Did you hear the one about the house infested with Easter eggs? It needed an eggs-terminator!

What do you need if your chocolate eggs mysteriously disappear? An eggsplanation.

## 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.*

