Sunday 14th April 2024 **Toothill Church Newsletter**

'To Know Christ and to make him Known.'

10.30 Rev Mark Tidey

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Anglican Minister for Toothill revmarkt@outlook.com Revd Mark Tidey Methodist Minister for Toothill Revd Joseph Ribiero eboribe@yahoo.com To receive the newsletter each Thursday by email contact David at: Newsdh2@gmail.com Toothill Church website: www.toothillchurch.org.uk toothill.church.booking@gmail.com Bookings Welcome to everyone worshipping with us today; for those who have difficulty hearing we have a loop system in operation. Refreshments will be served after the service.

Next Sunday 10.30 Rev Joseph Ribiero

Activities in Toothill Church

Sunday	17.00 – 18.00 Bible Study every 2 weeks		
Monday	10.00 – 12.00 The Hub		
Monday	14.00 - 16.00 U3A History Group 1 st & 3 rd Mondays		
Monday	17.00 - 19.00 West Swindon Youth Club Mondays		
Tuesday	10.00 – 12.00 U3A Travel Group		
Wednesday	12.30 – 15.30 Welcome Space every week		
Thursday	10.00 – 11.30 Toothill Tinies		
Friday	10.30 – 12.00 Music Group every 2 nd and 4 th Friday		
Friday	17.00 – 19.00 Friday Club		

Next 21st April 2024 **Every week** Next 15th April 2024 Every week term time only Next 7th May 2024 **Every Week Every week** Next 26th April 2024 Every week term time only

New Bible Study Group

Bible Study Group on Sunday 21st April at 5pm and every two weeks led by Rev Joseph Ribiero, open to everyone.

For Members who are unable to get to church.

For those unable to get to church here is the link for you to worship online with words and hymns included 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

Welcome Space every Wednesday 12.30pm – 3.30pm

Toothill Church is open for anyone to come and meet and have a chat while keeping warm. There is: Free soup, bread and hot drinks available, and a selection of board games, Jigsaws, dominoes, crafts and adult colouring etc.

Jumble Sale for Welcome Space

On Saturday 6th April Welcome Space had a Spring Jumble Sale. We had quite a few people coming in looking for bargains and we made £159.59 which will be put into the welcome space funds. Thank you to those who helped and donated, it was much appreciated. Thank you to all. Debbie and Tony

Wednesday 24th April Partnership Annual General Meeting

The Partnership AGM will take place in Toothill Church at 19.00 on Wednesday 24th April.

Sunday 12th May Partnership Service in Toothill Church Build your Kingdom here.

It will be an opportunity to give thanks for all that has passed, to commit to God and to building God's Kingdom in West Swindon now and in the future. It will be led by lay worship leaders from across the partnership.

Each of the partnership churches are invited to provide the following towards the shared lunch following the service...

Holy Trinity - Deserts/puddings St. Mary's - Cold finger food Toothill - Hot food Westlea - Crisps and snacks

We will be showing photographs of the churches activities through the years before and after the service. Can you please ask your folks to look out any such photos they have and email them to <u>markdowling@wswinlyd.onmicrosoft.com</u>.

If you have any questions do come back to me. Thank you. Grace and peace... Mark.

Mark Dowling Chair West Swindon and Lydiard Tregoze Church Partnership <u>markdowling@outlook.com</u> 07540072446

Prayers 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 are praying. Updates about those being prayed for are welcome.

Please pray for:

Emma's cousins Sally and Peter as they come to terms with the sudden death of their mum, Emma's Aunty Gill, Eileen and her family, Emma's friend Kate Storer, Jan and Gordon, Norma, Sarah and all those you know in need of God's special love, care and healing.

Our ministers Clive, Trevor, Mark, Som and Joseph.

Our children's and worship leaders and their families across the Partnership, Welcome Space in our churches, Our home congregation, Our work with children, Hazelwood Academy, young people and families in Toothill and West Swindon.

Prayer for His Majesty the King.

Heavenly Father, whose love enfolds us with healing and hope, we pray for Charles our King as he faces the challenge of cancer. May your healing touch bring him quickly back to health and wholeness. Look with kindness on Queen Camilla and all the Royal Family at this testing time. Give wisdom, skill and compassion to those who are caring for the King. Father of mercies, grant to Charles our King, comfort and sure confidence in you, and keep him in perpetual peace and safety, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer for The Princess of Wales

The Prayer for HRH the Princess of Wales reads: "Gracious God. We pray for the continued recovery of the Princess of Wales, for her husband, and for their family. "Grant to them, and to all who are affected by sickness, faith, hope, and knowledge of your love, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."

Prayer Seeking Safety

While weapons waste life and atrocities abound, - the world echoes to the cries of innocent victims. Across unfamiliar soil, women, children, and men, - the remnants of family carrying the remains of their lives, - trudge along a never-ending road.

Each has a story: untold horror lies behind the weary eyes.

Every face carries scars, - and every heart bears the pain.

Lives have been risked and lives have been lost – in the search for somewhere they can find safety, love and hope.

Eternal God, we see only the tip of the iceberg, - you see everything, and your love can change the world. Your love calls us to welcome the stranger and to be the Christ for others. – we can share our daily bread, we can be the Samaritan to stranger in need.

May we be your love in our communities, - challenging prejudice and suspicion with tolerance and acceptance, - offering welcome to those driven from home by fear.

Words are not enough; our actions and attitudes will build your kingdom.

May our lives reflect the generosity of you love in all we do.

Heather White URC Prayer Handbook

News from Clive

"The Reverend Canon Captain Clive Deverell is delighted to announce, he has been asked to be training incumbent for Neil Fisher, former Licenced Lay Minister and organist of St Augustine's in Even Swindon. Neil will serve as Assistant Curate in the Parishes of West Swindon and Lydiard Tregoze, at Holy Trinity Shaw and St Mary's Lydiard Tregoze following his ordination at the end of June. Neil's ordination is due to take place on Sunday 30th June 2024, at 10.30am in Bristol Cathedral."

There will be a welcome service/event at 5.00pm in Holy Trinity Shaw on the same day, please hold Neil in your prayers as he prepares to join us."

Friday Morning Prayers at 9.30 via Zoom

To Join Zoom Meeting <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87105668938?pwd=OERYZ0FEUndjcnVpRUJxaVhrOWswUT09</u>

From the Treasurer March Accounts.

Receipts:

- In March our giving (received) totalled £1,050.88
- Lettings £436
- Donations:

The Filling Station - £30 Welcome Space - £89.80

• Transfers:

From Methodist Saver to Welcome Space - £100 [for ready-use funds] From Methodist Saver to Co-op account (General fund) - £1500 [to pay 2023 tithe]

• Our total receipts for March were £3,206.68

Payments:

- Partnership share: £500
- Media & Printing:
 - Broadband monthly £47.99

Church website (annual) - £175

- Utilities:
- Gas £360.85 Electricity - £80.02 Water - £31.43
- Maintenance & Equipment £295 [repairs to the lights in the disabled toilet]
- Giving:

Welcome Space - £170.19 Glona Bring Hope - £750 (2023 tithe) Willows Counselling Service - £750 (2023 tithe) Bank charges for Glona payment - £23 [commission £10; agent £13]

• In March we made payments of £3,183.48

As of 1stApril 2024 our balance is £9,610.75 held across our two accounts. Mike Black (Outgoing Toothill Church Treasurer)

Come & Sing Choral Evensong

11 May, 3.30-4.30 pm, Bristol Cathedral.

Bristol Cathedral Choir is inviting church choirs to join in with their Evensong on 11 May. Visit the link to fill out the sign-up form by the end of April.

There will be rehearsals during the day on the 11th. https://bristolcathedral.churchsuite.com/forms/xnnxhwyh

Swindon Borough Council

Swindon Borough Council are looking for people to act as poll

clerks in the forthcoming Police & Crime Commissioner and Local Elections on Thursday 2 May.

Clerks are employed to carry out administration duties at polling stations across the Borough to ensure voting is carried out correctly. On Election Day, polling staff are required to work from 6:30am until 10.00pm and undertake training prior to the day which is provided online. To find out more about becoming a poll clerk, click the link <u>Apply to work at forthcoming elections | Swindon Borough Council</u>

<u>April</u>

Sunday 28th 10.30 Rev Mark Tidey

<u>May</u>

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Sunday 5 th	10.30	Mr Philip Bunce	
Sunday 12 th	10.30	Partnership Service	(Last Service of the Partnership)
Sunday 19 th	10.30	Rev Joseph Ribiero	
Sunday 26 th	10.30	Mr Mark Dowling	
<u>June</u>			
Sunday 2 nd	10.30	ТВА	
Sunday 9 th	10.30	Rev Mark Tidey	
Sunday 16 th	10.30	Rev Joseph Ribiero	
Sunday 23 rd	10.30	Deacon Som Okonkw	0
Sunday 30 th	10.30	ТВА	



Peace begins with a smile from Jess.



"Poor man," thought the well-dressed gentleman as he watched an old man fish in a puddle outside a pub. So, he invited the old man inside for a drink. As they sipped their whisky's, the gentleman thought he'd humour the old man and asked, "So how many have you caught today?" The old man replied, "You're the eighth."



<u>Toothill Church Website</u> 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

> DG4J (Day-group for Jesus)

Summer Programme Apr 24 to Jul 24 Meeting on Zoom – 10:00am to 12:00pm

Monday, 22nd April 24 – Eucharist 1 – Leader Edward Monday, 6th May 23 – Eucharist 2 – Leader Pete Monday, 20th May 23 – Reconciliation 1 – Leader Angela Monday, 3rd June 24 – Reconciliation 2 – Leader Edward Monday, 17th June 24 – Anointing the Sick – Leader Angela Monday, 1st July 24 – Extreme Unction – Leader tbd Monday, 15th July 24 – tbd – Leader Edward – at Mary Poole's Ethos – 'All' are warmly welcome to join our meetings.

For further details contact:

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Zoom Details:

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

Notes: The dates for meetings can also be found on Holy Trinity Shaw's website:

http://htschurch.org.uk/

All meetings are on Zoom starting 10am, unless otherwise specified.

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, ...