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'To Know Christ and to make him Known.'



# 10.30 Rev Shirlyn Toppin Holy Communion First Service as a Methodist Church



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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 Mr Adrian German

# **Activities in Toothill Church**

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17.00 – 18.00	Bible Study every 2 weeks	Next 15 <sup>th</sup> September
10.00 - 12.00	The Hub	Every week
14.00 - 16.00	U3A History Group 1st & 3rd Mondays	Next 16 <sup>th</sup> September
17.00 - 19.00	West Swindon Youth Club Mondays	Every week term time only
10.00 - 12.00	U3A Travel Group	Next 10 <sup>th</sup> September
10.30 - 12.00	Music Group 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> Wednesdays	Next 11 <sup>th</sup> September
10.00 - 11.30	Toothill Tinies	Every week
12.00 - 2.30	Welcome Space (Now on Thursdays)	Every week
17.00 - 19.00	Friday Club	Every week term time only
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#### **Methodist Gold Medal**

RHS Flower Show win for Methodists. The first garden to be sponsored by the Methodist Church at the Royal Horticultural Society Flower Show has won a gold medal. 'This Garden Isn't Finished Without You' won the Environmental Innovation Award and Best In Show. It was designed by Pike Studio and the Methodist Church.

# Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> September Upper Thames Circuit Welcome Service

Circuit Service 22nd September at 4 pm at Toothill Church, the Rev Dr Marcus Torchon the new Bristol District Chairman to welcome Toothill into the Circuit as a Methodist Church.

Rev Dr Marcus Torchon - new Chair of the Bristol District Marcus is from the country of Haiti and is married to Sylva and together they have a son, Jean-De-Luc. He offers dynamic, visionary, and empathetic leadership that welcomes the competencies and richness of other mission partners and leaders, both at church and social levels. His calling has often been fulfilled in the proclamation and demonstration of the gospel. This has so far resulted in: (1) assisting the creation of new church plants with renewed passion for nurturing and equipping the church for God's mission through discipleship. (2) being in solidarity with justice-seeking and social transformation initiative towards improving the lives of the impoverished. He is currently committed to strategizing a practice of giving through the lens of the Methodist theological ideals of not 'hurting the neighbour' and of 'lifting up a standard against the inequity.'

## **Music Group**

**Dear Friends** 

After a summer break the Toothill Church Music Group will start meeting again on Wednesday  $11^{th}$  September in Toothill Church at 10.30am - 12 Noon. All are welcome to join us as we prepare hymns and songs to support Sunday worship and share together as we sing, ending the practice with a short prayer.

We are always happy to welcome new people to this group; no musical expertise is required.

If you would like to learn to sing with us we will be happy to see you.

However if you can play and instrument that would be great as well. If you have young children at home with you they are welcome as well.

I look forward to seeing you all soon,

Nicola Hoar

# **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:

Jan and Gordon, Norma, Sarah and all those you know in need of God's special love, care and healing.

Our ministers: Shirlyn and Joseph

West Swindon Ministers: Clive, Trevor, Mark and Som

Our children's and worship leaders and their families, for Toothill Church and across West Swindon

Our work with the children of Hazelwood Academy,

Welcome Space and its leaders.

# **Bible Study**

The Zoom link is below Joseph RIBEIRO is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Joseph RIBEIRO's Zoom Meeting

Time: 15<sup>th</sup> September, 2024 05:00 PM London

Join Zoom Meeting https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82009399043?pwd=btOUvGHSRoTJaXdOVd3qQvFzcyVIID.1

Meeting ID: 820 0939 9043 Passcode: 852600

#### Prayer from the URC – For the first day of Creation-tide

Thank you, God of the beginning and the future, - for your good and beautiful creation:

For winter and summer, rain and sun, - grapes on the vines and fig trees juicy fruit.

Thank you for the bloom of flowers and the song of the birds,

For voices to sing your praise at seedtime and harvest – from sheer joy at all that is created.

Thank you, God who made each one of us, - to be part of this good and fruitful creation:

For the desire that makes us sweet with longing,

The love and tenderness for which you have made us.

Thank you for the glow of human skin,

For the joy of love made flesh and for the lips to kiss, and sing

in praise of the goodness of all that you have made.

Thank you, God who calls us to do what is holy and right - for your good and wonderful creation:

For the real hope of renewing all things for future days,

The assurance that love will win and creation will be restored.

Thank for your call to be better, to 'arise',

To honour and cherish as sacred all that you have made,

And to turn our hearts always only to what is good. Amen

Susan Durbar URC Prayer Handbook

# Strawberry Teas – Summer 2024 at St Mary's between 1.30pm – 4.00pm

Strawberry Teas at St Mary's Church, Lydiard Tregoze - in Lydiard Park, West Swindon. Available every Sunday through August and the first three Sundays in September. This includes the two Heritage weekends in September (Sundays 08 & 15 September) plus on the Saturday, 14 September - the day of the sponsored 'Ride & Stride'. Do come and visit our church and enjoy a Strawberry Tea (weather permitting). See you there, Lyn & Ian

# 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 <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

# **Hymn writing Bishop dies.**

The Rt Revd Timothy DudleySmith has died, aged 97. Bishop Dudley-Smith wrote the lyrics of about 400 hymns, including the popular 'Lord, for the years' and his version of Mary's Magnificat, 'Tell out, my soul', described by John Betjeman as 'one of the few modern hymns that will truly last'. He was awarded an OBE in 2003 for services to hymnody.

# Friday Morning Prayers at 9.30 - Please note new Zoom details below

Zoom Details for Spotlight, DG4J and Friday Morning Prayers:

Click on link below to join meeting:

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/7613457970?pwd=rgnv9nacamvUclWf4QYh9DEhE6VtuF.1&omn=86530499491

Meeting ID: 761 345 7970

Passcode: 031989 Dial-in Number: 0330 088 5830

**September** 

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> 10.30 Rev Shirlyn Toppin

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> 10.30 Mr David Hoar URC morning service

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> 16.00 Rev Dr Marcus Torchon Upper Thames Circuit Welcome Service

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> 10.30 Mr Mark Dowling All Age Worship

**October** 

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> 10.30 Rev Shirlyn Toppin Holy Communion

Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> 10.30 Ms Jenny Corkett Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> 10.30 Mr Adam Longhurst Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> 10.30 Mr Joseph Musungo

# Peace begins with a smile from Jess – Answers to the Summer Quiz Pictures



Week 1: Calton Hill Edinburgh

Week 2: St Enodoc Church Rock Cornwall

Week 3: The Blowing Stone Kington Lyle Oxfordshire

Week 4: Wimborne Minster Dorset

Week 5: Bamburgh Castle Northumberland Week 6: Cleeve Abbey Washford Somerset

Week 7: Mên-an-Tol Cornwall

Week 8: Grantchester Cambridgeshire
Week 9: Penzance to Long Rock Coast path





# The **Methodist** Church

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# DG4J (Day-group for Jesus) Autumn Programme Sep 24 to Dec 24

Meeting on Zoom – 10:00am to 12:00pm

Monday, 9th September 24 – Gladness & Generosity (1) – Angela

Monday, 23rd September 24 – Gladness & Generosity (2) – Edward

Monday, 7th October 24 – Gladness & Generosity (3) – Pete

Monday, 21st October 24 – Gladness & Generosity (4) – Pete

Monday, 4th November 24 – Gladness & Generosity (5) – Edward

Monday, 18th November 24– Gladness & Generosity (6) – Angela

Monday, 2nd December 24 – Gladness & Generosity (7) – Pete

Monday, 16th December 24 - Gladness & Generosity (8) - Edward

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:

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Notes:

The dates for meetings can also be found on Holy Trinity Shaw's website: <a href="http://htschurch.org.uk/">http://htschurch.org.uk/</a> All meetings are on Zoom starting 10am, unless otherwise specified.

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