

Announcement - Change to Evening Services

For some time now the PCC have been reviewing and considering the future of the evening services at St Paul's. At the PCC meeting in September it was necessary to make a decision around this provision as we headed into the autumnal and winter months when attendance was markedly lower, noting too that there were changes in the personal lives of those that welcome, officiate and provide music. It was clear that we were struggling to resource and sustain these services on a week by week basis.

To that end, the Ministry Team have agreed to reduce provision to one evening service a month (excluding January). **This will begin in November** with the All Soul's Day service on Sunday 1st November, at the timing of 4pm with refreshments in the church afterwards.

We will endeavour to publicise the evening services in the pew-sheet, magazine, website and social media. From February the timing will be the 1st Sunday of the month at 6pm with a rotation of Taizé, Traditional Prayer Book Evening Prayer and 'one-off' services for example Songs of Praise. There may also be the opportunity to gather in an alternative locations with other local Christians, as part of Churches Together or Messy Churches.

A big thank you to everyone that has attended, welcomed, played, prayed and preached at evening worship over the years.