

This months services

	10 am	6.30 pm
2nd	Julie Hobby— Queen Victoria Seaman's Rest	Prayer— Colin
9th	Parade—Colin	Praise in the Park
16th	Steve Morley	Dave
23rd	Fred Merry	Steve Morley
30th	Open & Communion— Tim (Psalm 66)	4pm Messy Church

Regular Meetings

Sunday

10.00am - Morning Service
18.30pm - Evening Service

Monday

10am-12pm - Coffee Pot (Term Time)
4.30pm - 1st Laidon Rainbows
6.15pm - 2nd Laidon Guides

Tuesday

5pm - 4th Laidon Brownies
7.45pm Bible Study

Wednesday

1.45pm - CAMEO (Term time)
4.15pm - 3rd Laidon Rainbows

Thursday (Term Time)

5.30pm - 7th Laidon Brownies
8pm - Xplore Youth Group

Friday

7pm - Harlequin Rangers

Second Saturday of the month

3pm - Disabled Christians Fellowship

Services at local residential homes

(Both at 3pm)

1st Sunday of the Month - Ghyll Grove
3rd Tuesday of the Month - Evelyn May



Knowing God,
Showing God,
Making God Known.



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“Do what God’s
teaching says, don’t just
listen and do nothing”
James 1:22 ERV

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It's Mission maintenance day on the 15th June; I'm sure you'll have noticed the sign-up sheet. Maintenance day has particular meaning for me, as I'm one of two trustees who have maintenance down as a responsibility. Also I first began to feel really a part of the community here after helping out at the maintenance day in the summer of 2017.

While thinking about all the jobs that need doing – practical hands-on stuff – I began to think about how talent often skips a generation. My grandfather (“Pop” Schormans) was a linguist, a translator at Antwerp rail station before the First World War. He was injured in the war, ended up in London, and married my grandmother. Pop Schormans was not much use at practical skills – couldn't even cut a straight line in a piece of wood. His son, my father, was just the opposite, and became a very skilled carpenter who working alone build two houses: ours and his mother's (he actually did everything except the plumbing).

His son (me - in case you're losing the family plot) can't cut a straight line in a piece of wood, although I did once cut a nice straight line in my thumb, with a chisel, while I was in a woodwork lesson at school.

And my sons? Well Daniel (yes him of the centurion uniform) makes knives out of blocks of wood and lumps of steel, while Matthew (the older by three years) has his own pillar drill and a complete set of every tool you can imagine. Matthew also makes

computers, even etching his own printed circuit boards, and is now the key engineer on a project at University College London making one of the world's first quantum computers.

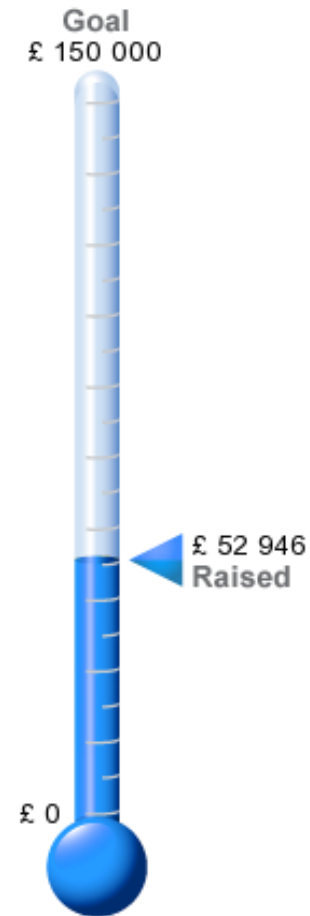
Yet here I am as a trustee for maintenance. You've got to feel sorry for Tim really, since he's the other one. Looks like God has called the wrong Schormans...?

Yet the Bible has many examples of people called by God who at first seemed to be the wrong person. Moses was sure he wasn't the right man, and made a number of objections to God. His 3rd objection was along the lines of “I am not gifted to do this, God. ...”. **(Exodus 4:10 “Then Moses said to the LORD, “O my Lord, I am not eloquent, neither before nor since You have spoken to Your servant; but I am slow of speech and slow of tongue.”)**

Jesus of course called Matthew the tax collector, which to many present seemed like calling totally the wrong man for the job **(Matthew 5: °a -11 “While Jesus was having dinner at Matthew's house, many tax collectors and sinners came and ate with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they asked his disciples, “Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?””)**.

And then there's Saul of Tarsus, who persecuted Christians until God chose him to become the Apostle Paul, and to write more of the New Testament than anyone else.

So, back to those jobs that need doing ... pass me the power drill and stand back! (After you've signed up of course).



Thank you!

Thank you to everyone who is contributing to the building fund and all of the other pots at the back of church. We've decided to no longer have an STM box at the back and instead contribute regularly from general giving. We will give a full update on the financial status of the church at the AGM on the 2nd June.

Dates for your diary

15th June—Maintenance Day

6th July—Outing to St Albans

21st September—Retreat to Danbury