



Old Town Partnership of Churches

Lent Talks 2023

**‘Who is Jesus? Christian Mission Today
Jesus Then and Now’**

Wednesdays 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd & 29th March and 5th
April

7-9pm in Christ Church



Speakers

Wednesday 1st March - The Revd Jonathan Edwards,
Baptist Minister at Central Church, Swindon and formerly
General Secretary of the Baptist Union of Great Britain

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Wednesday 8th March - The Very Revd. Dr Mandy Ford, Dean
of Bristol Cathedral

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Wednesday 15th March - The Revd Dr Susan Durber, United
Reformed Church Minister, World Council of Churches
President from Europe and Moderator of the Faith and Order
Commission

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Wednesday 22nd March - The Revd David Gray,
Superintendent Minister, North Wiltshire Methodist Circuit

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Wednesday 29th March - Dr Eric and Marguerite Holliday,
Deacon/GP and Retired Clinical Psychologist,
Holy Rood Roman Catholic Church

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Wednesday 5th April - The Revd Dr Cathy Okoronkwo, Vicar of
St Barnabas, Gorse Hill and All Saints Ferndale, Racial Justice
Adviser for the Diocese of Bristol

Programme for the evening



7pm – opening worship

7.15pm - talk

7.55pm - refreshments

8.15pm - questions to the speaker

9pm - finish

Further details from Partnership ministers

‘Godspell’ in Christ Church

We are very excited that SALOS will perform

‘Godspell’

in Christ Church

Friday 31st March 7.30pm

Saturday 1st April 2.30pm and 7.30pm

Tickets www.SALOS.org / 07731 183857

A Franciscan Benediction

Attributed to the earliest followers of St Francis

May God bless you with discomfort

at easy answers, half-truths, and superficial relationships, so that you may live deep within your heart.

May God bless you with anger

at injustice, oppression and exploitation of people, so that you may work for justice, freedom and peace.

May God bless you with tears

to shed for those who suffer pain, rejection, hunger, and war, so that you may reach out your hand to comfort them and turn their pain into joy.

And may God bless you with enough foolishness

to believe that you can make a difference in the world, so that you can do what others claim cannot be done

to bring justice and kindness to all our children and the poor.

Amen