



# Emsworth Methodist Church & Pastoral Centre



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**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> March**

**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent**

**10.00am**

**All Age Worship**

**led by Deacon Laura Evans**

Followed by coffee and Traidcraft Stall

**6.30pm**

**United Holy Communion at St James'**

**Celebrant Revd John Pilkington**

**Preacher Revd David Muskett**

Today Geoffrey Senior is at Horndean at 10.30am and Trevor Payne is at Havant at 10.45am.

Before and after the morning service and during the offertory the Music Group will lead us in the following hymns from Singing the Faith.

*Before*

433 Out of the depths I cry to thee

240 When we are tested and wrestle alone

235 Christ our Redeemer knew temptation's hour

*Offering*

562 O God, what offering shall I give

*After*

254 Seek ye first the kingdom of God

***A serving and worshipping Christian church in the heart of Emsworth  
working closely with other churches and with the local community***

## **Monday 6<sup>th</sup> March**

**10.30am** Chair based exercise class

**7.30pm** **Augmented Choir Rehearsal** (at St James', see March News Sheet for details)

## **Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> March**

**10.30am** Standing exercises

**2.00pm** **Activity Afternoon** – Sow Your Own Salad (IH)

**7.30pm** **General Church Meeting** (see page 4)

## **Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March**

**10.30 am** 'Let's Do It' (activities in the Pastoral Centre)

**12noon** **Lent Lunch** a simple meal for Christian Aid

**1.00pm** **Lent Communion (IH)** led by Revd Geoffrey Senior

**7.30pm** **Ladies Group** Mrs Christine Stuckey - God moments

## **Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> March**

**9.45** for 10.00am **York Lent Course** at Waterside URC (see poster on notice board)

## **Friday 10<sup>th</sup> March**

**11.30am** **Bacon Butties**

**2.00pm** **Knit for Lent** (see March News Sheet for details)

**7.30pm** **Compass Course** (Wesley Room)

## **Sunday 12th March**

## **2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent**

**10.00am** **United Service of Holy Communion**  
**at St James'**

**Celebrant Revd Brian Hammond**

**Preacher Deacon Laura Evans**

**10.00am** **Second Sunday in the Centre**  
**Led by Mrs Janet Baker**

**6.30pm** **United Evening worship**  
**Led by Mrs Margaret Sawyer**  
**Preacher Revd Bill McCoubrey**

Today Bill Stillwell is at Havant at 10.45am

## **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March**

**10.30am Chair based exercise class**

**7.30pm Augmented Choir Rehearsal** (at St James')

## **Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March**

**10.30am Standing exercises**

**2.00pm Activity Afternoon** – Knitting for Charity (IH)

## **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March**

**10.30 am 'Let's Do It'** (activities in the Pastoral Centre)

**12noon Lent Lunch** a simple meal for Christian Aid

**1.00pm Lent Communion (IH)** led by Revd John Pilkington

## **Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March**

**9.45 for 10.00am York Lent Course** at Waterside URC (see notice)

## **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March**

**11.30am Bacon Butties**

**2.00pm Knit for Lent** (see March News Sheet for details)

**7.30pm Compass Course** (Wesley Room)

## **Sunday 19th March**

## **3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent**

**10.00am Service of Holy Communion**  
**Led by Revd Dr Beryl Wright**

**2.30pm Anglican-Methodist Walk** (around the  
Hilsea Lines, for details see page 4)

**6.30pm United Evensong**  
**at St Thomas Warblington**  
**Led by Revd Bill McCoubrey**

Today Bill Stillwell is at Bedhampton at 10.30am and Geoffrey Senior is at Havant at 10.45am.

A reminder (if not too late!) that if you have parked in **South Street Car Park**, it is **chargeable** again on Sundays from today.

## **Offertory Envelopes**

The envelopes for the coming year starting in April are now available. If you use envelopes please collect them from the table in the atrium. Thank you – *Richard*

All members of our church family are invited to our annual **General Church Meeting on Tuesday 7th March at 7.30pm.**

As well as appointing our Church Stewards and electing representatives to the Church Council we shall be having a conversation on the life of our church and, in particular, considering proposals for our church leadership as we come to a period when it seems likely that we shall be without anyone in a position to serve as our Senior Church Steward.

Please do make every effort to join us for this very important meeting concerning the future of our church life in Emsworth.

### **Anglican-Methodist Walk**

The next United walk will take place on **Sunday 19th March.**

We will meet at Hilsea at 2.30pm and the walk will be around the Hilsea Lines. Parking is available on the left immediately after you come off the Hilsea roundabout towards Portsmouth. The walk is a figure of eight, the first 'loop' being 2.5 miles and the second 'loop' 1 mile. The walk is flat and mainly on good pathways. If you wish to get there by bus the 700 leaves Emsworth Square at 1.58pm and gets to Hilsea at 2.22pm (current timetable).

Further details from Pamela and Geoffrey Eardley (07768 373742)

### **Havant Passion Play 2017**

The first of five workshops are due to begin on Monday 6th March 2017 at Havant Methodist Church, Petersfield Road, Havant, from 7pm. Do come along, if you can, absolutely no obligation, but you can be sure of a warm welcome and a fascinating evening.

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### **To all old Students of Southlands**

Students who attended **Southlands Methodist Teacher Training College** and left with a Certificate of Education (as opposed to a B.Ed.) before 1980, are to be awarded an Honorary Degree from the University of Roehampton. This also applies to those studying at Froebel, Digby Stuart and Whitelands Colleges. (All of these joined and became part of the Roehampton Institute). Any who are eligible for and would like this Degree and have not been contacted direct should contact [carrie.seaton@btopenworld.com](mailto:carrie.seaton@btopenworld.com) as soon as possible. Bookings close in mid-March

If you have items to include in the next notices please email them by midday on 16<sup>th</sup> March to [emcnotices19@gmail.com](mailto:emcnotices19@gmail.com).