



Emsworth Methodist Church
& Pastoral Centre



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Sunday 2nd April

5th Sunday of Lent

10.00am

All Age Worship

Deacon Laura Evans

followed by coffee and Traidcraft Stall

3.00pm

Accreditation service for Shirley

Haynes at Trinity, Southsea.

Preacher: Revd Janice Morgan

6.30pm

United Holy Communion at St James'

Celebrant Revd Bill McCoubrey

Preacher Revd David Muskett

Today Trevor Payne is at Bedhampton at 10.30am.

**There will be a retiring collection for the East
Africa Famine Appeal.**

Full details are in the April News Sheet

Before and after the morning service and during the offertory the Music Group will lead us in the hymns on page 2, from Singing the Faith.

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

Before

731 When, in our music, God is glorified

582 Eat this bread and never hunger

385 Holy Spirit, we welcome you

Offering

391 O breath of life, come sweeping through us (verse 1 only)

After

239 Sent by the Lord am I

Monday 3rd April

10.30am NO Chair based exercise class

7.30pm Augmented Choir Rehearsal (at St James')

Tuesday 4th April

10.30am NO Standing exercises

2.00pm Activity Afternoon – Easter Garden

2.30pm Christian Aid Talk at Havant URC - Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territories (see page 3 of the News Sheet).

Wednesday 5th April

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 Bill Stillwell

6.15pm Ecumenical Prayer Fellowship (URC Hall)

Thursday 6th April

9.45 for 10.00am York Lent Course at Waterside URC

Friday 7th April

10.30am Bacon Butties (Note new time - served until 1.00)

2.00pm Knit for Lent (final sewing up etc)

7.30pm Compass Course (Wesley Room)

Sunday 9th April**Palm Sunday**

- 10.00am United Service of Holy Communion at St James' Celebrant Revd Bill Stillwell Preacher Revd Julie Price**
- 10.00am Second Sunday in the Centre Led by Deacon Laura Evans**
- 6.30pm United Evening worship Led by Geoffrey Eardley Preacher Revd John Pilkington**

Monday 10th April

- 10.30am NO Chair based exercise class**
7.30pm Augmented Choir Rehearsal (at St James')

Tuesday 11th April

- 10.30am Standing exercises**
2.00pm Activity Afternoon – Knitting for Charity (IH)

Wednesday 12th April

- 10.00am Mayor's Wednesday Walk, in Emsworth (see News Sheet page 6 for details)**
- 10.30 am 'Let's Do It' (activities in the Pastoral Centre)**
- 7.30pm Ladies Group – Vivien Watson – Easter Arrangements (IH)**
- 7.30pm Stainer's 'Crucifixion' from scratch at Drayton (see Page 4)**

Thursday 13th April**Maundy Thursday**

- 7.30pm Foot Washing and Communion Service, at St James', led by Revd Julie Price**

Friday 14th April**Good Friday**

- Pastoral Centre closed all day**
- 9.30am Good Friday Walk of Witness, starts at Catholic Church, including-**
- 10.30am Short Service here, led by Deacon Laura Evans (details of walk & short services are on page 3 of the News Sheet)**
- 3.30pm Requiem in D Minor by Josef Rheinberger by Augmented United Choir, at St James. Retiring collection in aid of of the Medical Foundation for the Victims of Torture.**

Sunday 16th April

Easter Day

**10.00am Service of Holy Communion
Led by Revd Geoffrey Senior &
Deacon Laura Evans**

No Evening Service

Today Bill Stillwell is at Havant at 10.45am and at Portchester at 6.30pm. Janet Baker is at Trinity at 11.00am.

The **Red Nose Breakfast Nosh** on 24th March raised £238.60. Thank you to all who supported us on the day with buying, and a special thank you to Sandra for baking and making up the BLTs etc.

Thanks to all who came forward to offer help for the April Coffee Bar Rota. We now only have one slot to fill.

Calling all **angel-knitters!** Many thanks for all your hard work over the last few weeks. The time has come to gather the knitted angels together in preparation for distribution. If possible, please can they be brought to either the Pastoral Centre or the Parish Office by the morning of **Thursday 6th April**.

There will be a performance 'from scratch' of **Stainer's 'Crucifixion'** at **Drayton** on **Wednesday April 12th at 7.30pm** (singers to arrive by 6.45pm). Anyone is welcome, singing or audience. Donations will be invited in support of the Portsmouth branch of the Alzheimer's Society. Music will be available to borrow on the night for those who do not have their own copy. It would be helpful if anyone who would like to sing would let Drayton know in advance. (It helps to know how many chairs to get ready for the choir!) Please respond to Geoff Stevenson g.n.stevenson@gmail.com (023 92263050). Some of our congregation are involved. Please see poster on the notice board.

The **Easter Offering** envelopes, from **Methodist Women in Britain**, will be available on **Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday**. The donations enable the Methodist Church in Britain and Ireland to give to the work of the 65 Partner Churches Overseas.

If you have items to include in the next notices please email them by midday on 13th April to emcnotices19@gmail.com.