



Emsworth Methodist Church
& Pastoral Centre



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Sunday 25th June Ladies Group Anniversary
10.00am Morning worship led by Ceri Ellis
4.00pm Laura's Ordination in Wolverhampton
6.30pm No Evening Service

This morning Bill Stillwell is at Drayton at 10.00am

Ceri Ellis is a past President of Southampton District Methodist Women in Britain and lives in Barton on Sea.

Monday 26th June

10.30am Chair based exercise class(IH)

Tuesday 27th June

10.30am Standing exercises (IH)

2.00pm Activity Afternoon: Table Game

**3.00pm Bible Discussion Group – Wesley Room
(see page 2)**

Wednesday 28th June

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

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

Sunday 2nd July

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

Preacher Revd David Muskett

This morning Geoffrey Senior is at Drayton at 10.00am, Janet Baker is at Havant at 10.45am, Bill Stillwell is at Gosport at 10.30am and Drayton at 6.30pm

David Muskett is the minister at Haslemere,

Pastoral Centre

The office is closed from 21st until 29th June (inclusive). Emails will be answered when the office opens on Friday 30th June.

Coffee Bar duties The July Rota has the following slots to fill:- Friday 7th July 2-4pm, Monday 24th 12-2pm and Friday 28th 2-4pm. If you are able to do a slot please **put your name on the Rota on the office desk.**

On **Friday 7th and 28th July** Laura would like someone to assist her with **Bacon Butties** as her helper Jill is not able to on these dates. It involves taking orders and delivering the order to the table.

Bible Discussion Group

To encourage the church to engage with Scripture more deeply, Methodist Churches all over the country have been invited to take part in a 'Bible Month' initiative. For the month of June, church services, small group meetings and Youth meetings have been asked to focus on the book of James. The Bible Discussion Group will therefore be looking at a part of James at their session on Tuesday 27th June from 3pm in the Wesley Room.

We will be mainly reflecting on James chapter 3 through a painting produced for the 2016 Methodist Conference. This will be the last session before the Summer break. The Group will re-start on Tuesday September 26th 3-5pm. Do come and join us. All are welcome.

Congratulations to:-

Vivienne and John Vickers on their 65th Wedding Anniversary
Barry and Sylvia Evans on becoming great grand parents.

Church Family Lunch: Sunday 2nd July

On Sunday 2nd July our All Age Worship service will be followed by a simple lunch and a time of fellowship together. It would be brilliant to see as many folk there as possible so that we can enjoy one another's company. Between the service and lunch there will be activities available if you wish. Nothing serious, energetic or compulsory, just a bit of fun! The food should be ready to eat at about 12pm. The food is sorted, but all offers of help to set up serving tables in the atrium after the service and put food on them would be gratefully received!

Laura

Church Central Heating Boiler

The Church side of our building now has a new boiler. Thank you to Keith Page for all his work in getting this done and for being on the premises for 3 ½ days to supervise and answer questions!

Mining for God

This is for anyone who may be on holiday in the area
2pm on Fridays 21st July, 28th July and 4th August at 2pm at Honister Slate Mine.

A mine tour with a difference. Learn about how slate is mined, who the miners lived and something of the geology. At the same time worship God through prayer, readings and praise, experience the difference a small light makes to total darkness. This experience is made possible through the co-operation of the Honister Slate Mine and the Methodist Church in Keswick. Further information from Tori Jones 01697 373191 toriangie@outlook.com or David Hasson 017687 75818 revhasson@aol.com

Today is **Conference Sunday**. A number of members of our congregation have/will be travelling to Wolverhampton to be present at Laura's ordination. Please hold Laura in your prayers at this important time in her life.

The 2016 Methodist Conference elected the Revd Loraine N Mellor to be President and Jill Baker to be Vice-President. Both started their year of office when the Representative Session of the Methodist Conference met in Birmingham yesterday. They will succeed the current President and Vice-President, the Revd Dr Roger Walton and Rachel Lampard.

Loraine has been a presbyter since 1995 and is Chair of the Nottingham and Derby District. A member of the Church's Strategy and Resources Committee, Loraine is coordinator of the Larger than Circuit group which is considering how the Church can best reflect the missional needs of today's Church.

"I want to encourage and enable the Church to put God back on the agenda in our communities and enthuse people to share the Good News. The Church has reached a tipping point, the time has come for us to take some risks in our mission and in our discipleship in order to help us grow," said Mrs Mellor.

Jill is a local preacher and tutor in the Scotland District, exploring and leading pilgrimages. She enjoys writing and, in the past, spent eight years as a mission partner in the South Caribbean. Jill was President of Methodist Women in Britain between 2011 and 2013.

"I am thankful to the Methodist family for the prayer and for the support it offers in hard times. I am committed to working locally and connexionally for an inclusive, just, compassionate and creative Church."

If you have items to include in the next notices please email them by midday on 29th June to emcnotices19@gmail.com.