



Emsworth Methodist Church
& Pastoral Centre



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Sunday 20th August

10.00am Holy Communion Service
Conducted by Revd Trevor Payne

The Communion bread that we use is gluten free and dairy free

6.30pm United Evensong at St Thomas'
Warblington
Led by Revd Andy Wilson

This morning Bill Stillwell is at Portchester at 10.30am.

Monday 21st August

10.30am Chair based exercise class (IH)

Tuesday 22nd August

10.30am Standing exercises (IH)

2.00pm Activity Afternoon: Table Games (IH)

Wednesday 23rd August

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

10.30am to 4.00pm Ladies Group at 113 Havant Road
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*A serving and worshipping Christian church in the heart of Emsworth
working closely with other churches and with the local community*

Sunday 27th August

**10.00am Morning Worship
Led by Geoff Paffett**

**6.30pm United Evening Worship
Led by Revd Andrew de Ville**

This morning at 10.30am. Bill Stillwell is at Bedhampton, Geoffrey Senior is at Copnor and Janet Baker is at Fareham.

Ladies Group

Members of the Ladies Group are invited for Open House at 113 Havant Road, from 10.30am to 4.00pm on Wednesday 23rd August, weather permitting. Drinks and light refreshments will be served, but if you are coming around lunchtime and need something more substantial, please bring your own. Also if you can bring a seat, that would be helpful. Come for a short time or longer, as you like.

Judy Emerson

David Deacon

We are sorry to bring you the sad news that Revd David Deacon passed away in Eastbourne on Sunday 13 August. David was our Minister at Emsworth from 1996 – 2000, and we remember him with affection. He died peacefully, having been unwell for some months. We give thanks for his ministry, and remember him, his wife Margaret and their sons Michael and John in our prayers. There will be a Service of Thanksgiving at Greenfield Road Methodist Church, Eastbourne, on Wednesday 30th August at 3pm.

Pastoral Centre

The September rota has a lot of slots to fill, some double slots and a number of single slots, 12 – 2 and 2 – 4. There is a rota in the office if you wish to see the slots that need filling or please do call Mandy if you are able to help in any way.

Thank You

John Vickers thanks everyone for their congratulations on his 90th Birthday earlier this month.

Holiday At Home

Well, the planning is done, the programme is sorted and we've got a lovely group of volunteers!

The dates have been fixed for 30th August – 1st September, from 10.30am to 3.30pm each day.

Would you like to come? Or do you know someone who would like to come? If you live alone or for whatever reason won't be getting a holiday this year we would love to see you. As you'll have seen on the posters in church there will be a variety of activities including a Beetle Drive, hand massages, fingernail painting, games, exercises, bread making, card making and who knows what else!

It's not too late to put your name down. If you'd like to come please do give me or Mandy a ring on 01243 373773 and we'll book you in. It'd be great to see you.

Laura, Mandy and the Holiday at Home volunteers

Fundraising Afternoon

Janet Boaz, a Pastoral Centre volunteer on the Tuesday Ploughman's lunches, is hoping you might come to 20 St George's Avenue, Warblington between 2.00pm and 5.00pm on Wednesday 30th August, for tea and cake, in support of SANE, one of the leading UK mental health charities. Mental illness includes a wide spectrum of conditions and affects one in four people at any point in time. Any queries, Janet can be contacted on 023 9245 0031.

Walk in Memory of Archbishop Romero

August 15 would have been Archbishop Romero's 100th birthday. His powerful words and courage in proclaiming and living the Gospel under a repressive and violent regime still resonate with us today. He calls us too, to be "microphones for God".

St Joseph's Catholic parish invite you to join them on Saturday 9th September for all or part of their pilgrimage walk to St John's Cathedral. It will be start from Ss. Thomas' Emsworth(9.45am) to St Joseph's Havant(10.30am), St Thomas' Bedhampton(11.15am) and on into Portsmouth. At each stop we will recall stories of Archbishop Romero's life, and pray focusing on our own faith journeys as people of the beatitudes. Information <http://www.rchavant.com/> or call Maureen on 01243 377411.

Sacred Space

As you may remember, back at the end of May we held a 'Sacred Space' prayer event in the church.

The next event will take place on Monday 11th September in International Hall. The space will be open **2 – 4pm** and it is perfectly okay to come for as long or short a time as you wish.

There will be prayer stations available - just an opportunity to pray in ways that perhaps you haven't done before! You will not be asked to pray out loud or do anything you do not wish to do.

There will also be tea, coffee and nibbles.

It would be great to see you there.

Laura

Emsworth Show

Christians Together in Emsworth are having a small stall at the Emsworth Show on Bank Holiday Monday (August 28th), giving away bottles of water and information about local churches. If you would like to volunteer to do an hour, giving out water, chatting to people and generally being friendly, please contact Laura on 01243 376786 or Pat Hales on 01243 379283.

If you have items to include in the next notices please email them by midday on Thursday 24th August to emcnotices19@gmail.com.