



# Emsworth Methodist Church & Pastoral Centre



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## Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> October

**10.00am Morning Worship  
Led by Andrew Wilcock**

**6.30pm United Evening Worship  
Led by Revd Bill Stillwell**

*This morning Bill Stillwell is at Trinity at 10.30am.*

## Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October

**11.00am Chair based exercise class (IH)**

## Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> October

**10.30am Standing exercises (IH)**

**2.00pm Activity Afternoon: Table Games (IH)**

## Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October

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

**7.30pm Ladies Group (IH) – Revd Bill Stillwell: 'Silence'**

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

## Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> October

**10.00am**      **Cake Stall** in aid of Methodist work at home and abroad

**7.30pm**      **Wesley Guild (IH)** – Revd David Rice: 'Alison & David Rice, Wedding in India'

## Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> October

**10.00am**      **Morning Worship**  
**Led by Deacon Laura Evans**

**6.30pm**      **United Service at Waterside URC**  
**Christians Together in Emsworth**

*This morning Bill Stillwell is at Havant at 10.45am, and this evening he is at Portchester at 6.30pm.*

Many thanks to all who supported the **Christian Aid Sale** last Saturday where we raised **£278.93**. To all those who baked, donated goods and spent their money we say a huge Thank You. Please watch out for our forthcoming events which includes carol singing in the Square on Friday 15th December.

*Margaret, Marian and Gill*

The **Cake Stall** in September raised £58.35 for Methodist work at home and abroad. The next stall is this Thursday (26<sup>th</sup>) from 10.00.

2018 **Church Diaries** are now in the Pastoral Centre, suggested donation 50p

**Jan and Bill Stillwell** are planning to go to the **Wintershall Nativity Play** for the **4.30pm** performance on **Thursday 14th December**. Would anyone like to join them? Tickets are £18 each for adults, £9 for a child. Wintershall is near Guildford, and there is more information on the Wintershall website at **<https://www.wintershall-estate.com/nativity-play>**

If a number of us are going we can either share transport, hire a minibus or even book a coach. We'll need to **book early**, so please let us know **as soon as possible** if you'd like to go.

In the **Pastoral Centre Coffee Bar**, we have one slot to fill on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October 12 -2 pm. The November Coffee Bar Rota has a great many free slots, at all times of the day. If you have not helped in the Coffee Bar and would like to try it, please do pop in and see Mandy. The November Rota is available in the office please do add your name to a slot.

**Ladies Group.** Why do brides have to be carried over the threshold of their new home? This was one of the many questions answered by the speaker at our last meeting. Tessa Daines an Alderman in the Borough of Havant came to speak on "Old Country Customs and Folklore". She went through the year and explained the superstitions, myths and customs of every month. Each one was illustrated with an appropriate visual aid, many of these she had made herself; two beautiful dolls dressed as maypole dancers, another as a bride, a picture of a horseshoe and so on until the table was full of items depicting each custom. It was a most interesting and fascinating evening and to answer the first question - if a bride tripped and fell going into her new home she would be taking in bad luck!

Our **next meeting** on Wednesday 25 October is to be taken by our own minister Rev. Bill Stillwell, speaking on Silence.

If you have not yet had the chance, please look at the notice board for details of "**Pause and Pray for Havant Borough**", an initiative by Portsdown Community Church.

Please note that the next meeting of the **Bible Discussion Group** will be on **October 31<sup>st</sup>**, and not as given in the calendar in the October News Sheet.

On **Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> November** the worship will take the form of Café Church as on the Second Sunday. This will follow the pattern of the usual Second Sunday worship; gathering from 9.30am with an opportunity to have a welcome drink and refreshments. Refreshments are available during and after the service if required. The entrance to church on this occasion is **through the doors to the church** (as for the Pastoral Centre during the week) the doors to the atrium will remain locked on the outside. We sit around tables; the worship is informal and inclusive and includes Bible teaching. The congregation are encouraged to follow the readings from the Bibles that are placed on the tables. We usually remain seated for the hymns. The worship begins by singing, 'Come now is the time to worship'. In addition to the usual arrangements on a second Sunday the Traidcraft Stall will be available as for the first! Please support the stall. We do hope that you will come along to the worship; we look forward to seeing a full church!

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> November** will be a **Remembrance Service**.

If you have items to include in the next notices, for 29<sup>th</sup> October, please email them by midday Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> October to [emcnotices19@gmail.com](mailto:emcnotices19@gmail.com).