



Emsworth Methodist Church
& Pastoral Centre



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Sunday 21 January

Covenant Service

10.00am

Service of Holy Communion

including rededication of Pastoral Carers

Led by: Revd Bill Stillwell

6.30pm

**United Evensong at St Thomas,
Warblington**

Led by: Revd John Pilkington

Our communion bread is gluten-free and dairy-free

This morning Laura Evans is at Trinity at 10.30am

Monday 22 January

10.00am Standing exercises (IH)

11.00am Chair-based exercises (IH)

Tuesday 23 January

10.30am Standing exercises (IH)

2.00pm Activity Afternoon (IH)

Table Games

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

Wednesday 24 January

10.30am Let's Do It!

7.30pm Ladies Group (IH)

A Little of India with John Mani

Thursday 25 January

End of Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

10.00am Cake Stall

7.30pm Wesley Guild (IH)

Desert Island Discs

Chris Walters interviews Bill Stillwell

Whether you think you know Bill, or would like to know some more about him, this will be a very interesting evening. All are welcome.

Saturday 27 January

Holocaust Memorial Day

Sunday 28 January

Homeless Sunday

10.00am

Morning Worship

Led by: Dr Andrew Wood –

Chair of the Southampton District

6.30pm

United Christians Together Service

of Holy Communion

Led by: Revd Bill Stillwell

and Deacon Laura Evans

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This morning Bill Stillwell is at Havant at 10.45am and Janet Baker is at Horndean at 10.30am

Homeless Sunday

Homeless Sunday is a chance for Churches and Christian groups from across the country join together to pray, reflect and plan practical action on homelessness, but also for a united Christian voice to offer solidarity and be a prophetic voice for change.

Sunday 28 January at 6.30pm

All the churches of Emsworth will come together for a service of Holy Communion to mark this year's **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity**. We will be focussing on material from the churches of the Caribbean on the theme '**That All May Be Free**'.

Bacon Butties – help needed

As you probably know, I am expecting to go into hospital very soon for an operation that will put me out of action for some weeks. One of the many things that will be affected by this is the Friday morning Bacon Butties. In order for this valuable service to continue while I'm off, we really need volunteers (preferably several) to cover the cooking. If you, or anyone you know, hold a Food Hygiene Certificate (or are willing to take the online course) and are available **10.30am–1.00pm on Fridays** from, please let either Mandy or Laura know. This would be a fixed-term arrangement and as soon as I'm back in action I will take it on again (unless you find it so much fun that you do not wish to give it up, of course!)

Laura

Revd Canon Brian Hammond (from the Anglican Parish)

It was with sadness that we heard the news of Brian's sudden death recently. Brian was an avid supporter of the ecumenical life of the Churches of Emsworth, and was regularly to be seen in the band playing for events in The Square and on the foreshore on Easter morning, as well as sharing in our united services. There will be '**A Service of Joyful Thanksgiving**' on **Friday 9 February** at **12.30pm at St James' Church**, to which all are welcome.

New Prayer Initiative for Havant

Portsdown Community Church have sent information about a new opportunity for Christian churches across the Borough of Havant to come together for a time of prayer on the first Monday of each month from 6–7pm, at St Thomas Church, Bedhampton. For more details, or to send prayer requests, please contact pauseandpray@portsdowncc.org.uk



If you have items to include in the next notices (for Sunday 28 January) please email them *by midday on Thursday 25 January* to emcnotices19@gmail.com