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**Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> September**

**10.00am Holy Communion led by Revd Trevor Payne**

*Our communion bread is gluten-free and dairy-free*

**12.30pm United Anglican-Methodist Walk**

(see page 2 for details)

**6.30pm United Evensong at St Thomas Warblington  
Led by Revd Julie Price**

*This morning Bill Stillwell is at Bedhampton at 10.30, and Laura Evans is at Fareham's Harvest Festival at 10.30.*

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> September**

**10.00am Standing Exercises (IH)**

**11.00am Chair-based Exercises (IH)**

**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> September**

**10.00am Bible Study Discussion Group (Wesley Room) –**

all are welcome - see page 2 for details

**10.30am Standing Exercises (IH)**

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

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September**

**7.30pm Church Council Meeting (IH)**

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

## **Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> September**

**10.00am Morning Worship**

**Led by Deacon Laura Evans**

**6.30pm**

**United Holy Communion Service**

**Led by Revd Stephen Wright**

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### **MHA Magazine**

There may still be some copies of the special edition of the MHA magazine, entitled "Full of Years", celebrating MHA's 75 years, available free for everyone. If you would like a copy, please take one from the vestibule as you leave. This replaces the Autumn Edition of "Heart and Soul".

### **United Anglican / Methodist Walk – today, Sunday 16th September.**

We shall meet at the Compton Recreation Ground car park (on the right just as we enter the village) at 12.30pm for a two part walk, each loop about 3 miles long. There are no stiles and you can choose to do either one or both loops! Both loops have gentle inclines and in about half an hour we rise to a lovely picnic spot with a view! All are welcome to join us.

The **Bible Discussion Group** is starting up again this **Tuesday** with a conversation on the Book of Jonah; following on from the theme of this month's Cafe Church. Bill and Laura are leading the session which will start at 10am (note the new time) in The Wesley Room.

Our **Harvest Thanksgiving Service** will be on **30<sup>th</sup> September**. Any **gifts** of items suitable for the food bank (tins and dry goods) will be brought forward during the service.

Details of the '**Bring and Share**' lunch, which will follow the service at about 12.00, are on page 4 of the current News Sheet. If you haven't already done so, please remember to sign the sheet to indicate your wish to come to the lunch.

There will be a **Traidcraft** stall in IH during the coffee time between the service and the lunch. There will not be a Traidcraft stall on 7<sup>th</sup> October.

**Waterside** would like us to know that they are holding a **MacMillan Coffee morning** at 10 a.m. on Friday 21st September. Our own Coffee Morning will be on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup>, see page 3 of the September News Sheet for details of our event.

Last Saturday was the annual **Ride and Stride** fund raising event. We had a record number of participants visiting our church. There were 23 in total and included Beryl Rodd's daughter Sue and a local preacher who has been planned at Emsworth recently! I [*Geoff Eardley*] cycled a total of 54 miles (up to Petersfield and then back down the Meon valley) and visited 28 participating churches. The URC in Petersfield is renowned for its provision of cakes and did not disappoint this year. It would have been rude not to fully appreciate them!!! I would welcome any further **donations**, in lieu of sponsorship, in aid of Hampshire and The Islands Historic Churches Trust. *Geoffrey.*

The **Christians Together in Emsworth** Ecumenical Service will take place on **Sunday 30th September** at Ss. Thomas' Catholic Church. There will be volunteers from many churches participating directly in the service, including the United Choir. It should be a very positive coming together of the Christians in Emsworth. Please note in particular that the **Mass starts at 6.00 pm.**

There will a session on **Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> September 10am-12noon** at Fareham Methodist Church to find out more about the subject of **Revd Claire Simpson's sabbatical**: 'Exploring the use of communication, language and liturgy with those who find themselves "at the edge of human predicament"' This will include thinking about the spiritual and pastoral care of those experiencing terminal and life-limiting illnesses. This session is open to anyone but may be of particular interest to pastoral visitors/workers and those who have an interest in pastoral care.

Further ahead, on **Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> October** at Fareham: A Quiet Day on the theme of 'The Knowledge' for all those who work as **volunteers with children and young people** in the Methodist Church, led by Deacon Brian Purchase. There is a copy of the flyer on the notice board.

If you have items to include in the next notices (for Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> September) please email them *by midday on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September* to [notices@emsworthmethodistchurch.org](mailto:notices@emsworthmethodistchurch.org)