



Emsworth Methodist Church
& Pastoral Centre



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Sunday 1 December
World Aids Day

Advent Sunday

10.00am Morning Worship
Led by: The Revd Canon Dr Andrew Wood
Chair of the Southampton District and
Ecumenical Canon of Winchester Cathedral
Followed by Traidcraft stall (please see p4)

6.30pm United Service of Holy Communion
at St James
Led by: Revd Canon Julie Price
Preacher: Revd Bill Stillwell

Church Lunch at 12.15pm

This morning Bill is at Bedhampton at 10.30am



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

Tuesday 3 December

2.00pm **Activity Afternoon (IH)**
Knit for Charity

7.30pm **Alpha Course**

Wednesday 4 December

2.00pm **A Sacred Space (IH)** (*please see the Newssheet*)

Thursday 5 December

7.30pm **Wesley Guild (IH)**
Friends without borders in the Portsmouth area with Michael Woolley

Sunday 8 December

10.00am **Carolfest!**
Café Church led by Deacon Laura Evans

10.00am **United Service of Holy Communion
at St James**

6.30pm **United Evening Worship
Led by: Deacon Laura Evans**

This morning Bill is at Trinity at 10.30am



Tuesday 10 December

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

Tuesday 10 December (contd)
2.00pm **Activity Afternoon (IH)**
 Christmas Tea
 See Mandy for tickets

7.30pm **Alpha Course**

Wednesday 11 December
7.30pm **Ladies Group (in Church)**
 Christmas Evening



Sunday 15 December

10.00am **Service of Holy Communion**
 Led by: Revd Bill Stillwell

6.30pm **United Carols by Candlelight**
 at St James

Our communion bread is gluten-free and dairy-free

This morning Laura is at Copnor at 10.30am

Christian Aid Carols in the Square

The Christian Aid Working Party will be singing Carols, to raise much needed funds for Christian Aid, from 10.00am until 12.00 noon on **Friday**

13 December. We are looking for more singers, so please come along and enjoy singing carols with us.

Gill Cooper, Margaret Sawyer and Marian Hughes



Portsmouth Churches Homeless Action Voucher Scheme

Today there will be an opportunity to give vouchers to the Portsmouth Churches Homeless Action Voucher Scheme. If you would like to donate vouchers/gift cards, please could these be for £5 and from stores such as Tesco, Asda, Sainsbury's and Argos.

David Sawyer

Christmas Coffee Morning – All Welcome

Saturday 21 December from 10.00am to 1.00pm at the home of David and Margaret Sawyer.



Help needed in the Coffee Bar

We have the following slots that need filling in the Coffee Bar in December:

Tuesday 10 December 2–4pm, Tuesday 24 December 10am–12 noon, and a double slot on Friday 27 December 2–4pm. Please let Mandy know if you are able to do any of these slots.

Open Church Project

The Open Church Project for the homeless in Portsmouth is going to run again this winter, this time for four weeks, beginning on Monday 3 February. Eastney Methodist Church will again be the venue on Tuesday nights. Generous donations of money and bedding in previous years means that this time we are only asking for extra volunteers. If you would like to offer or find out more, please contact Revd John Mills on 02392 731858. There will be an introductory/training evening for new volunteers at Portsmouth Roman Catholic Cathedral on Thursday 5 December at 7.30pm (7pm onwards for DBS documentation checking).

Traidcraft

Regretfully, the Traidcraft stall after this morning's service will be the last. Thank you to those of you who have so loyally supported Traidcraft over almost 40 years. *Dot*



Christmas Trees

Thank you to those involved in assembling and decorating the two Christmas trees.

If you have items for the next Notice Sheet (for Sunday 15 December), please send them to notices@emsworthmethodistchurch.org by 12 noon on Thursday 12 December. Thank you to everyone for sending your contributions for the Notices in good time.