

# WELCOME TO EMMANUEL URC

**"Making Jesus known in worship, work & word".**

We hope you will feel at home worshipping with us. If this is your first visit, or if we can be of help in any way, please make yourself known to one of those who welcomed you on arrival.



## Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2025

### 10am Morning worship

Led by: Revd Jacqui Knight



When indicated by the worship leader, children & young people are invited to go to: Splat Group.  
A crèche area & toys are available for very young children throughout the service.



Please stay after today's service for a cup of fairly traded tea or coffee and refreshments in the room to the rear of the building.



Cannot get to church? The URC has daily online devotions – follow this link [www.devotions.urc.org.uk](http://www.devotions.urc.org.uk) for access to podcasts or a transcript.

## EMMANUEL DIARY

[www.emmanuelhaydonwick.org.uk](http://www.emmanuelhaydonwick.org.uk)

<https://www.facebook.com/EmmanuelURC/>

**Tues 24 June**

2pm

5:15pm – 6:30pm

7pm – 9pm

**Wed 25 June**

7pm

**Thu 26 June**

12 noon

5:45pm – 7:15pm

**Sat 28 June**

2pm – 4pm

**Sun 29 June**

10am

Tuesday ladies group

1<sup>st</sup> Greenmeadow Rainbows

Guides & Ranger Guides

Whole church meeting

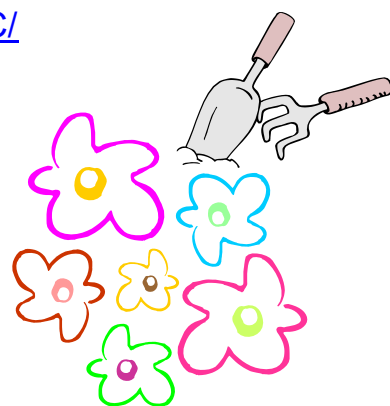
Lunch Club

1<sup>st</sup> Greenmeadow Brownies

Orchard Tidy Up

**Morning worship**

Led by Rachel Cleary



## DIARY NOTES

**Next whole church meeting: Wednesday 25 June**, 7pm. It is a responsibility of church membership to attend church meetings and they are also open to non-members of all ages. Closer to the date, the agenda and previous minutes will be available.

**Orchard Tidy Up – Saturday 28 June**, 2pm – 4pm. We will be tidying the Emmanuel outdoor spaces so that they are tidy and safe for everyone to enjoy including Splat, Rainbows, Brownies, Guides, and our older church. Please bring gardening gloves if you have them. If you feel able to trim back some brambles and have secateurs, please bring them along. All abilities are welcome - Kevin & the property team will be able to find you something to do. We will also need people to help with teas & coffees (rather than get messy outside).



**Hot weather warning:** Water is available in church. Please do not hesitate to pour yourself a drink at any point during the service if you feel hot or thirsty. If you are unable to get your own drink, please ask another person on your row for assistance.



**Good Earth Café: Saturday 5 July**, 11am – 1:30pm. There will be a sign-up sheet on the noticeboard in the creche area, including people to take the food & drink orders, wait on tables... Please give it a go and then stay for a lovely lunch, pudding or cake. Speak to Rachel C or Julie P for more info.

**Operation Christmas Child:** In the rear porch is our collection crate for the shoebox scheme. Whilst the sun is shining so much, we might forget Christmas shoeboxes but now is a great time to pick up summer toys and back-to-school stationery at a good price. The team are particularly short of **tennis balls** and **colouring pencils**.



### Walking to church:

There are good reasons we might have to drive to Emmanuel – our personal mobility (or that of someone we bring to church with us), the distance we live from the buildings, transporting equipment, really bad weather, or anxiety about walking in the dark.



There are also many good reasons to walk to Emmanuel – improving local air quality, improving our physical health, reducing our fuel use, leaving spaces in the church carpark for those whose need is greater than our own, or giving ourselves extra time to clear our thoughts & prepare for worship.

If we live further away, we might consider driving halfway and walking the remainder, and there is a good bus route from some areas, particularly for midweek & Saturday events. There is a lot of advice on this topic on the Eco Church website (see Resources – Lifestyle) or use this weblink: [www.ecochurch.arocha.org.uk/resources/lifestyle/](http://www.ecochurch.arocha.org.uk/resources/lifestyle/)

**Swindon Food Collective:** Donations of non-perishable (i.e. tins and packets) and long-life products (i.e. milk and juice) can be dropped in the collection box in the rear porch. For more ways to give, visit [www.swindonfoodcollective.org](http://www.swindonfoodcollective.org)



**Print Cartridge Recycling:** The Recycle 4 Charity box in the church side entrance for empty printer ink cartridges is still doing well for our nominated charity, Helen and Douglas house. Note: Cannon and HP cartridges can be original or remanufactured, but all other makes must be original.



**Greenbelt** is a Christian music and arts festival held on 21 – 24 August 2025. In previous years the URC has hosted a café & craft/activity tent with creative input from across the URC. This year's theme is "Hope in the making" and the URC tent are asking for big speech bubbles containing questions related to justice. More information about the speech bubbles can be found on the noticeboard in the creche area. If you want to know more about Greenbelt Festival, look online at [www.urc.org.uk/greenbelt](http://www.urc.org.uk/greenbelt)

## PRAYERS

**Prayer needs:** If you have any requests for prayer through the week (for you or someone you know), you can email them through to Rachel P - [rach@richardparmenter.plus.com](mailto:rach@richardparmenter.plus.com) Rachel will then share requests on a special Emmanuel prayer email group.

Please pray for:

- All members of our congregation who are unwell, recovering from operations or still awaiting or receiving treatment.
- Our minister, Gerald, as he leads worship at Central Church Swindon today.

All items for this weekly bulletin should be given to Lucy Gough by 12 noon on Wednesdays. Tel: 722346. Thank you.