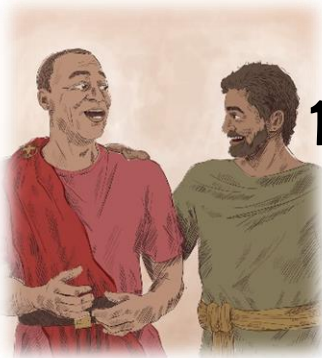


# WELCOME TO EMMANUEL URC

**“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 5<sup>th</sup> May 2024

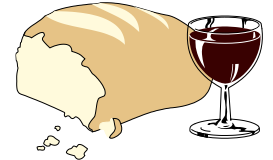
### 10am Morning communion

Including the induction & ordination of elders

**Led by:** Revd Gerald England

**Theme:** Go, and bear fruit!

**Reading:** John 15:9 - 17



At Emmanuel, all are included in the invitation to receive the bread & wine.

For younger children, this is at the discretion of their parents.

We use non-alcoholic wine for all. Gluten-free bread is available (please let the server know).

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.urch.org.uk](http://www.devotions.urch.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/>

<b>Tue 7 May</b>	5:15pm – 6:30pm	1 <sup>st</sup> Greenmeadow Rainbows
	7 – 9pm	Guides & Ranger Guides
	7:30 – 9pm	Join us (exploring membership 2)
<b>Thu 9 May</b>	12 noon	Lunch Club
	5:45 – 7:15pm	1 <sup>st</sup> Greenmeadow Brownies
<b>Fri 10 May</b>	7pm	Harmony Singers Spring Concert
<b>Sun 12 May</b>	10am	<b>Morning worship</b> Led by Revd Gerald England

## NOTICES



**Join us** – a 2-part programme where we will discover a little more about the United Reformed Church: history, and what it means to be an active member of the church. **Tuesday 7 May, 7:30 – 9pm.**



**Harmony Singers Spring concert: Friday 10 May, 7pm.** Tickets are available from Sue Martin. Absolute bargain price of £5 for adults and £3 for children, with delicious refreshments included in your ticket price. It will be a very special evening out. Proceeds towards church funds.



**Church heating:** After today, there will be no more heating coming on at church until the autumn, unless there is an unexpectedly cold spell. Please dress accordingly.



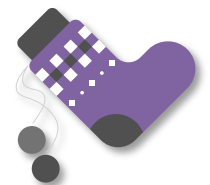


**Christian Aid Week: Sunday 12 – 18 May.** This year the focus is Aline Niborgora in Burindi 'Pushing Back Against Poverty'. When her violent husband forced her to flee, she was plunged into poverty. She escaped from extreme poverty with the help of Christian Aid funded training and now she's farming nutritious food to feed her family. Collection envelopes will be available from this **Sunday 5 May**. We are using up envelopes left over from last year so the information on them will be different, but Jacqui Knight will display relevant information for this year's campaign.

**Women's Fellowship:** 2pm, **Monday 13 May**. This month, we look forward to welcoming a volunteer speaker from the Wiltshire Air Ambulance. As this is one of our current church charities, this will again be an open meeting for anyone wishing to hear more about their work. We hope to have a microphone set up for this month so that we can all enjoy the speaker much easier. As reported last week, the church loop system has also been repaired.

**Mind Talk Group:** This month on 6:30pm, **Wednesday 15 May**, Mental Health and Wellbeing group. If you would like to know more, please speak with Rachel C or e-mail [cleary1@sky.com](mailto:cleary1@sky.com)

**Christmas Market Crafting:** A get together specifically for sharing ideas about crafting for a stall at the Emmanuel Christmas Market will be on **Thursday 16 May**, 7pm – 8:30pm at Pat England's home. Please come along and bring your crafting or ideas or just a willingness to encourage others.



**Christmas Market Planning Team:** It will be our church Christmas Market on **Saturday 23 November!** A good place to buy your Christmas gifts and have fun. If you are interested in being a part of the Christmas Market planning team, please give your name to Pat England.



**All age worship:** The next all age service around tables will be **Sunday 19 May – Pentecost**.



**Coffee & Craft:** 10am – 12 noon, **Tuesday 21 May**. All are very welcome for tea, coffee, conversation and often cake! Please bring a friend, and your craft to do (if you have one), or just come for a chat. Please speak to Rachel P or Angela Jones if you have questions.

**The Big Help Out in Emmanuel Orchard: Saturday 8 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, 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.
- If you can help with teas & coffees (rather than get messy outside) please speak to Kevin & Sue.



**Same sex weddings:** the General Assembly of the URC agreed in 2016 that it would be for each local church to decide whether to register its building for marriages of same-sex couples. Emmanuel will be taking a vote on this at a church meeting later in 2024. A variety of books, leaflets and recommended websites are increasingly available from Rachel Cleary. Some of the books are shorter, easier reads if you are worried about being overwhelmed with information. If you borrow any of the books from church, please return them promptly as others may wish to read them too. If you have questions or would like to talk confidentially with Gerald, please contact him directly.

## PRAYER

**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.

All items for this weekly bulletin should be given to Lucy Gough by 12 noon on Wednesdays. Email: [lucygough1@btinternet.com](mailto:lucygough1@btinternet.com) Tel: 722346