

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.

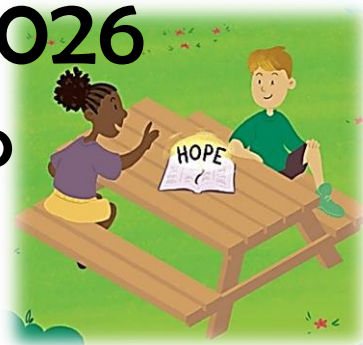
Sunday 9th August 2026

10am Morning worship

Led by: Revd Gerald England

Theme: Hope That Does Not Disappoint

Reading: Romans 8:18–28



Congratulations to Jim and Sheelagh who will be renewing their marriage vows during the morning service as part of their Golden wedding anniversary celebrations. We welcome their family and friends for this very special occasion.

When indicated by the worship leader, children & young people are invited to go to: **Splat Group.**

Crèche toys are available for very young children throughout the service.



Hot weather: Water is always 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.

Please stay after today's service for a cup of 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 for access to podcasts or a transcript.

EMMANUEL DIARY

www.emmanuelhaydonwick.org.uk

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

Thu 13 Aug

12 noon

Lunch Club

Sun 16 Aug

10am

Morning worship

Led by Revd Gerald England

11am

Special Church Meeting

Regarding our Pastorate Profile

DIARY DATES

Special Church Meeting: Sunday 16 August, straight after morning worship. This is to consider the Pastorate Profile that has been emailed out to all church members. Thank you to all the members that contributed comments and suggestions for content. Please take a moment to read it before the meeting.



The farewell service & tea for Gerald and Pat will take place on **Sunday 23 August**, 2:30pm. There will be lots of visitors from other congregations there plus Gerald & Pat's family, friends and neighbours. We will be providing a celebration tea for everyone after the service. Please speak to Rachel C if you can make some cakes or other sweet treats. We have had several offers and are looking for a few more please. Thank you.

John Peters, much-loved member of our congregation, passed away recently. His funeral will be held at Emmanuel on **Monday 24 August** at 11am, followed by a burial at Whitworth Road cemetery at midday.



Save the date: Our next all age service around tables will be Harvest on **Sunday 20 September**. More details to follow closer to the date.

OTHER NOTICES



Christmas Market Planning Team: It will be our church Christmas Market on **Saturday 21 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 Sue M.

Operation Christmas Child: We try to always include the following items in our boxes: notepads/ exercise books, pencils, and tennis balls. Please look out for these items whilst "Back to School" displays are in the shops. If you would like to give, please pass items direct to Jan or Jean or put donations into the collection crate in the rear porch.



Logs: Martin O has had some trees cut down and is offering the logs to anyone who would like them. You will need space to store them as they dry out if you want to use them as fuel. If you are interested, please contact Martin on 695673.

Standing Order facility: If you would like to give your offering (weekly or monthly) by standing order / direct bank transfer, so you do not have to hunt for cash on a Sunday morning, please use the following details:

Bank: Co-operative bank
Account: 50050181

Sort code: 089012
Reference: <Your name> offerings

If you have questions about this, please speak to the church treasurer or one of the elders.



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 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.
- Members of our congregation who cannot be with us in person.
- Jan and family as they mourn the loss of John.
- The children and young people as they enjoy their summer break from pre-school, school, college, university, and termtime clubs.
- Jim and Sheelagh, and their family and friends as they celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary.
- Jessica, as she starts her new job and moves to live in Stroud this month.

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