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 22nd November 2026

10am Morning worship



Led by: David Hoar

Theme: The sheep and the goats

Readings: Matthew 25: 31- 46

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



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
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Tue 24 Nov	5:15 – 6:30pm	1st Greenmeadow Rainbows
	7 – 9pm	Guides & Ranger Guides
Wed 25 Nov	7pm	Whole church meeting
Thu 26 Nov	12 noon	Lunch Club
	5:45 – 7:15pm	Brownies
Sat 28 Nov	9am – 4:30pm	First Aid course using whole building
Sun 29 Nov	**10am**	**Morning worship – Advent 1**
		Led by Rachel Cleary
	Followed by singing group practice for Carols by Candlelight	



DIARY NOTES

A massive thank you to everyone who helped to make Emmanuel Christmas Market such a success and a wonderful experience for all our visitors.



Whole Church meeting: Wednesday 25 November at 7pm. All are welcome, any age, members and non-members. Copies of the minutes from the last meeting and other useful information will be on the noticeboard at the back of the worship area closer to the date or available from Rachel C.

First Aid course: We have a grant from the SW Synod for first aid training, with priority given to the 5 churches within our new team ministry. The course is here at Emmanuel on **Saturday 28 November**, arrivals/registration 9-9:15am, finishing by 4:30pm. If interested, please speak to Ben G. There are some spaces still available.



Next week is Advent Sunday! Come along to be part of the Emmanuel advent series.

DECEMBER DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Good Earth Café: Saturday 5 December, 11am - 1:30pm, including Christmas dinner!!!

A Christmas celebration & singalong: Thursday 10 December, 1:30pm, an afternoon of Christmas songs and carols with The Harmony Singers. Followed by seasonal refreshments.



Carols at The Orbital: Tuesday 15 December, 6pm, with members of other North Swindon churches.

All age Christmas Service: Sunday 20 December, 10am, An informal, interactive service, perfect for wearing Christmas jumpers and festive accessories. Led by our all age worship team. Followed by seasonal refreshments.



Carols By Candlelight: Sunday 20 December, 6pm. Followed by seasonal refreshments. Please invite and bring along friends & family who like a traditional carol service. Led by Sue M.



Christmas Eve Christingle: Thursday 24 December, 4pm, A shorter, interactive service particularly suitable for children and the young at heart. A delightful way to get ready for Christmas with school friends, family and those who can't stay up for midnight. Led by our all age worship team.

Midnight Service: Thursday 24 December, 11:30pm, with Holy Communion. Led by Rachel C.



Christmas Day Celebration: Friday 25 December, 10am, a celebration of Christmas Day for all ages together. Bring one of your opened presents that you would like others to see. Led by Lisa H.

Carols by Candlelight: Jenny will be organising the Emmanuel Choir for the Carol Service on **Sunday 20 December** this year. Please contact Jenny at jenny.robertson394@gmail.com or sign up on the table in church if you would like to be involved, and Jenny will send you the tracks and lyrics. You are welcome to join in even if it is your first time - we will be singing a simplified version of Holy Infant Child by Fiona Lander. We will hold rehearsals in church after the church service, in the weeks leading up to Christmas, starting on Sunday November 29th and in December as needed.



PRAYERS

Please pray for:

- All members of our congregation who are unwell, recovering from operations, or still awaiting or receiving treatment.
- The process we are working on with Synod as we look for a new minister to work alongside us.
- Leaders of our country and other nations, that they will lead with integrity and compassion: to bring peace and freedom from oppression for the poor; for policies that feed the hungry; for actions that bring hope and lasting change.
- Countries already suffering from conflict as winter brings floods and freezing temperatures, that decisions will be made that bring in medicine, shelter and food.

Pastoral Care: If you have a pastoral need during the interregnum/vacancy, please contact either Rachel C or Sue M in the first instance.

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