

# 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 12<sup>th</sup> April 2026

### 10am Morning worship



Led by: Revd Gerald England  
Theme: Doubting and believing  
Reading: John 20:19 - 31



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 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)

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<b>Mon 13 April</b>	2pm	Women's Fellowship
<b>Tues 14 April</b>	11:30am	Funeral for Michael Titcombe
	2pm	Tuesday ladies group
	5:15pm – 6:30pm	1 <sup>st</sup> Greenmeadow Rainbows
	7pm – 9pm	Guides & Ranger Guides
<b>Wed 15 April</b>	6:30pm	Mind Talk group
<b>Thu 16 April</b>	12 noon	Lunch Club
	7pm – 9pm	Stepwise session 8
<b>Sun 19 April</b>	10am	<b>All age worship around tables</b> Led by Revd Gerald England

## DIARY NOTES

**Women's Fellowship:** 2pm **Monday 13 April** – Last meeting, social afternoon, “A Cuppa, Cake and Chat”. Please see Linda Tinson for more information.



**Michael Titcombe:** funeral at Emmanuel on **Tuesday 14 April**, 11:30am, followed by committal at Kingsdown Crematorium at 12:30pm. Family flowers only, donations invited for Prospect Hospice.



**Mind Talk Group:** This month on **Wednesday 15 April**, 6:30pm – 8:30pm, Mental Health and Wellbeing group. If you would like to know more, please speak with Rachel Cleary or send her an email: [cleary1@sky.com](mailto:cleary1@sky.com)

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



**Coffee and Craft: Tuesday 21 April**, 10am – 12 noon. All are very welcome for tea, coffee, conversation and often cake! Please bring a friend, and your craft to do, or just come for a chat.

**Sunday Offerings:** As more members now give by direct bank transfer, bringing offering bags around the congregation can be difficult to navigate. It has been suggested that a bag/receptacle by the door for the envelopes & cash that is given in-person might be trialled. This would be available before the service and brought forward for dedication as part of worship as currently.

**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 Sort code: 089012

Account: 50050181 Reference: <Your name> offerings

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



**Mowing Orchard grass:** The 2026 grass cutting rota is now up on the noticeboard in the crèche area with slots approximately every two weeks. The whole job takes up to 2 hours, but you can also sign up as a team of two to make the job easier & quicker. Training can be given in use of the exciting \*RIDE-ON\* lawnmower. Adults only. Any questions, please speak to Kevin Martin.



## 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 Parmenter - [rach@richardparmenter.plus.com](mailto:rach@richardparmenter.plus.com) Rachel will then share requests on a special Emmanuel prayer email group.

Please pray:

- For members of our congregation who are housebound, unwell, recovering from operations, or still awaiting or receiving treatment.
- For Jessica Gough as she attends the URC Youth Executive meeting this weekend in Welwyn Garden City, in her new role as Clerk to the National Youth Assembly.
- For children and young people preparing for tests, exams and assessments for their SATs, GCSEs, A-levels, T-Levels and other qualifications.
- For those whose lives have been torn apart by war and conflict in Sudan, in Ukraine, and all across the Middle East, and who live in the constant fear of destruction all around them.
- For peace to be found, for horror to be stopped, and for hope to grow. Pray for all those who can bring an end to war and conflict but seem determined to cause harm. Help those around them to offer wise and calming advice, pointing them to peace.
- For those who work the land to produce food. And that, as farmers across the world struggle with changing climates, all people would see what small things we can do to preserve our earth.



### A prayer for exam season:

O God, source of all wisdom, give strength, peace, and resolve to all who are now studying for their exams. Help them balance rest and work, refreshment and study, play and sleep, that they may find their ultimate worth in You. Calm nerves, concentrate minds, and increase understanding, but, above all, remind us that our value is not measured in academic performance, but in Your great love for us. Amen.



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. Thank you.