

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.



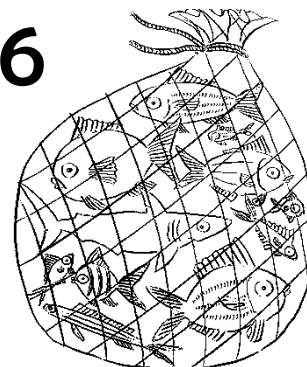
Sunday 17th May 2026

10am Morning worship

Led by: Revd Gerald England

Theme: Follow me!

Reading: Luke 5:1 - 11



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.

Please stay after today's service for a cup of tea or coffee and refreshments in the room to the rear of the building. We also have lots of yummy cakes this week!



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

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Tue 19 May	10am – 12 noon	Coffee and craft
	12 noon – 4pm	ELECTRICITY WILL BE OFF AT CHURCH
	5:15 – 6:30pm	1 st Greenmeadow Rainbows
	7 – 9pm	Guides & Ranger Guides
Wed 20 May	7:30pm	Emmanuel Band Practice
Thu 21 May	12 noon	Lunch Club
	5:45 – 7:15pm	1 st Greenmeadow Brownies
	7 – 9pm	Stepwise session 10
Sun 24 May	10am	Morning worship for Pentecost Led by Rachel Cleary

DIARY NOTES

A "Songs of Praise" service on **Sunday 31 May** will be led by David & Nicola Hoar and we need your input. Please consider if you can submit a hymn or song to David which is a favourite, or which means a lot to you, or that brings back memories of a special event, etc... If a lot of suggestions come in, David & Nicola might cut down the number of verses or we can keep your suggestion for another time. To give time for preparing the service & practice unfamiliar songs, please let David have your ideas by today. There are some prepared slips of paper for you to note down your name, choice of song and a comment about why you like it. Lucy & David are both available today to help you if you would like help completing the paper.



Mind Talk group: the next mind group will be on **Wednesday 27 May**.

NOTICES

Christian Aid Week: 10th – 16th May 2026 Donation envelopes are available on the table in the church. Please return them today. The focus this year is Urban Farming in Kenya. Christian Aid with its partner 'Beacon of Hope' are training and supporting people to grow vegetables in the smallest spaces in their cramped towns and cities, to feed their families and to sell at market. A few leaflets with more information are also on the table.



Visit the Christian Aid website for several “ways to donate”: [Ways to donate | Christian Aid](#)

Swindon Food Collective: Following feedback, the elders have paused the use of the collection crate in our rear porch. The best place to donate food is within your local supermarket. Most have a collecting box like the one pictured and regular pick-ups ensure that donated food does not go out of date.



You can also download an app called “[BanktheFood](#)” which provides an up-to-date list of their current needs each week.



Visit www.swindonfoodcollective.org for all the information.

To donate money, (a single donation via BACS or a Standing Order):
Account name: Swindon Food Collective. Sort Code: 08-92-99
Account No. 67473722 Bank name: Co-Operative
Donations can also be made via PayPal. Links are on their website



Operation Christmas Child: We still have our collection crate for the shoebox scheme. Now the days are warmer and longer, we might forget Christmas shoeboxes but now is a good time to pick up summer toys or wrap a box in paper during a quiet moment or whilst watching TV.

Ideas for things you could buy: small cuddly toy, tennis ball, musical instrument, toy car, skipping rope, yo-yo, pens, pencils & sharpener, colouring pens, ruler, eraser, writing pads, solar calculator, geometry set, solid watercolour paints & brushes, hairbrush or comb, toothbrush, flannel or sponge, hat, gloves, scarf, socks, sunglasses, hair clips, small drawstring bag, wind-up torch, stickers. Please **do not donate** soap, toothpaste, sweets, lotions and liquids; used items; war-related items (e.g. toy guns, model soldiers, military vehicles etc.); seeds, gum, chocolate or food; religious or political literature; medicines, sharp or fragile items. [How to Pack a Shoebox | Samaritans Purse](#)

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 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 members of our congregation who are in hospital at this time.
- For any member of our congregation turning 18 this week! 😊

All items for this weekly bulletin should be given to Lucy Gough by 12 noon on Wednesdays.
Email: lucygough1@btinternet.com
Tel: 722346. Thank you.

