

FAREHAM eFOCUS



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Services for the Month
June 2023

11 th June	Mr Matthew Patis 10 th in Ordinary Time.
18 th June	Ms Lynne Matthews All Age Worship 11 th in Ordinary Time.
25 th June	Gathering for Worship 12 th in Ordinary Time. 6:00 pm Revd. Claire Simpson Holy Communion Healing Service.
2 nd July	Revd. Claire Simpson 13 th in Ordinary Time. Holy Communion.

Tea and Coffee Rota
for June 2023

11 th June	Cath Stevenson and Judith Bramall.
18 th June	Ian Bagshaw and Walter Metcalf.
25 th June	Lynda Young and Elizabeth Wilcock.
2 nd July	Lynda Haydon-Jones and Rae Shepherd.

Meet and Greet Rota for June 2023

11 th June	Walter Metcalf
18 th June	Julie Kettle
25 th June	Lynda Haydon-Jones.
2 nd July	Sue Gibson

Thou wilt shew me the path of life:
in thy presence is fulness of joy;
at thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore.

Psalms 16:11



WE ARE RECYCLING THE FOLLOWING TYPES OF AIR, HOME AND LAUNDRY CARE PRODUCTS

- ✓ Flexible wipe packaging (used for home cleaning products)
- ✓ Tinted fabric conditioner bottles and caps
- ✓ Flexible washing capsules and pods packaging
- ✓ Flexible dishwasher tablets packaging
- ✓ Plastic air freshener packaging (please remove any cardboard and recycle these with your household collections)
- ✓ Plastic air fresheners and air freshener cartridges
- ✓ Tinted rigid plastic tubs used for home cleaning

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Waste Not Accepted.

- Aerosols
- Glass Air Freshener cartridges
- Transparent plastic bottles and caps.
- Tumble dryer sheets that are not Lenor
- Caps from home cleaning and dishwasher products.
- Flexible plastic packaging not used for dishwasher tablets as well as washing capsules and pods.
- Flexible wipe packaging not used for home cleaning (such as baby and beauty wipes packaging)

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VESTRY JOTTINGS

News is thin on the ground this month!

Two weeks ago, we had a baptism. One of our regular Messy Church families had their youngest daughter Poppy baptised. It was great seeing so many people in church for the service.

During the next quarter there will be some Local Arrangements. One of them could possibly be a Songs of Praise. If you have a favourite hymn, please let one of the stewards know and even better if you have a story connected to the hymn.

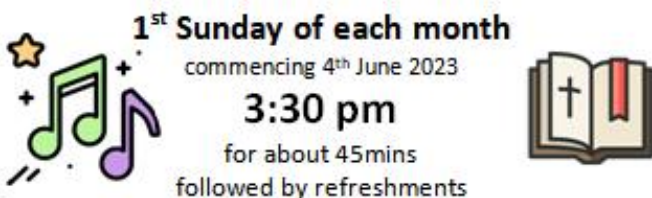
Tickets are now on sale for the Holiday at Home. Please see Audrey or Edith.

Brenda
On behalf of the stewards



Rowner Christian Gathering

A relevant, lively all age service of Christian worship
and teaching for all the family.



Nimrod Community Centre

Falcon Meadows Way, Gosport, PO13 8AA

An outreach of Fareham Baptist New Life Church
for more details:

Telephone: 01329 230659 Web: farehambaptist.org.uk

[facebook.com/farehambaptistnewlife](https://www.facebook.com/farehambaptistnewlife)

MESSAGE FROM OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Malcolm and I would like to thank everyone for their thoughts and prayers, cards, and flowers that we have received during these very difficult past few weeks.

Malcolm is at last home from hospital but is still quite poorly and expecting a long recovery time.

We feel very blest to be part of such a caring church family.

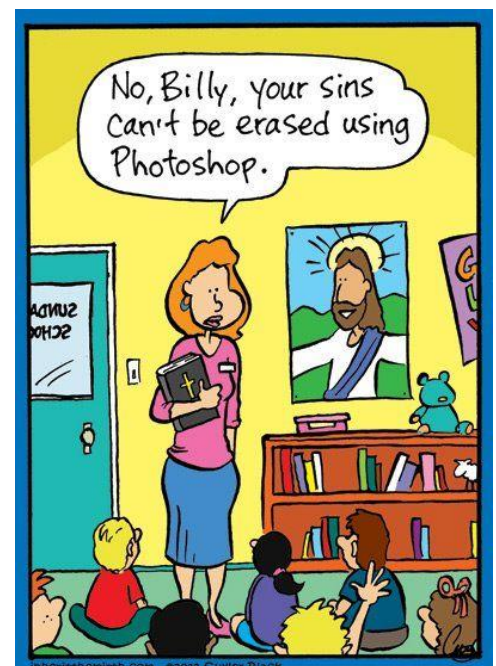
Best wishes to you all
Lynda Haydon-Jones.

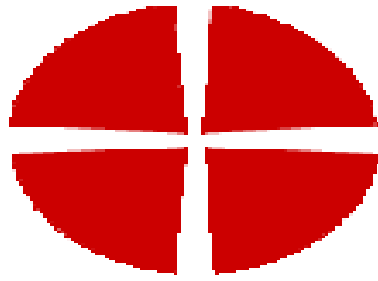
Enid Crouch would like to thank the church.

She was thrilled to receive the flowers and thanks the church for thinking of her.

ACTION FOR CHILDREN

Please pass home collection boxes to Pat Croker to be emptied this month.





**East Solent & Downs Circuit
Farewell Service
For**

**Rev Claire Simpson &
Rev Stephen Wright**

To be held on 16th July 2023

@ 3 pm

At Drayton United Church,

282 Havant Road

PO6 1PA

Everyone Welcome



The Prayer Tree

The Prayer Tree is now in the Welcome Area. Anyone who would like the Prayer Circle to pray for them, or others, please write your request on the leaf and hang it on the tree. These will be collected each month when the group meets.

THURSDAY PRAYER CIRCLE DATES

The Thursday prayer group meets on the first Thursday of each month at 10:30 am. During the winter months we will be meeting in the snug or, when the weather warms up, in the sanctuary.

All are welcome to join us, for 5 minutes or for as long as you wish. We will pray with or for you or you may prefer to just listen and pray silently. Our prayers will include any from the prayer tree left during the month.

So, if you have anyone or any situation you want us to pray for, please feel free to write on the leaves and hang them on the prayer tree in the welcome area.

2023	
6 th July	Rev. Claire



Fareham Good Neighbours – Open Meeting, 8 June

The befriending service set up by Christians Together in Fareham back in 2000 is holding an open meeting **on 8 June** for all current volunteers, friends of the group and anyone interested in offering some of their time to visit someone in need of company.

As well as a chance to share news about the group and to tell possible new volunteers about us, we will hear from Jenni Romicheva, a Social Prescriber at Gudge Heath Lane Surgery in Fareham about her work delivering a new service now offered by GPs - Social Prescribing.

The event takes place from **7:00-8:15 pm at the United Reformed Church, 18 Osborn Road South, Fareham PO16 7DG**. Refreshments will be provided.
(There is plenty of car parking nearby)

All are welcome – it would help (but is not essential) if you could let us know that you are coming by emailing secretary@farehamgoodneighbours.org.uk



Christian Aid Week

Thank you so much to all who supported Christian Aid Week.

Thanks to those preparing the Church Lunch in April; participating in the united service at the URC at the beginning of the week; collecting at the stall in the precinct and giving so generously at these events. Much of this was gift aided. Thank you.

This year we raised before Gift Aid:

April Monthly Church Lunch:	£205.15
Retiring Collection on 14 th May and envelopes returned on 21 st May:	£351.48
The stall in the shopping precinct collected:	£901.96.

The current total for Fareham and Portchester before gift aid is £3545.50.

Please make a note in your diary that the next planned local activity is a Quiz Night on Saturday 30th September – a month earlier this year.

A NOTE FROM NIGEL COX ON BEHALF OF CIRCUIT STEWARDS

On 16th July we are saying farewell to Stephen Wright who will be retiring in August after 41 years in ministry and nearly 20 years in our Circuit. As is custom for ministers who retire we will be making a presentation to him on 16th, and you are invited to make a donation towards this.

Cheques, payable to East Solent and Downs Methodist Circuit, can be sent to the Circuit Office or payment can be made direct into the Circuit bank account.

The sort code is 40-52-40 and the account number 00023531. Please reference any payment with Stephen's name. For direct payments your bank may say that it cannot verify our account, this is because CAF bank is yet to join the scheme but be assured that the details given above are correct. It would be helpful to receive donations by 3rd July.

Thanking you in anticipation.

Nigel Cox, on behalf of Circuit Stewards

SUNDAY LUNCH

18th June at 12.15/12.30 pm. approx.

This is open to all members of the congregation and all family and friends. There is no set charge for the meal, we just ask for a donation to Charity. If you would like to make a pudding of your choice and bring it along that would be very good – thank you.

The Menu

Starter: Soup/Melon

Main Course: Roast Chicken Breasts, Sausages, Roast Potatoes, Vegetables.

Puddings: Variety

There will be a list in the Welcome Area for you to sign. Please come along and enjoy a Sunday Roast!

If you are unable to come, please let me know asap, even if it is early on the Sunday, so we can adjust the numbers for which we cater and lay up.

We need about 3 or 4 people to stay after the meal until about 2.30 to help with the dishwasher or to wash up. We would really appreciate your help.

Thank you for all the delicious puddings last time and for all the help with clearing up afterwards.

Jill Groom



THERE WILL BE NO SUNDAY LUNCH IN JULY AS THIS COINCIDES WITH REVD. CLAIRE'S LEAVING SERVICE. THERE WILL BE A SUNDAY LUNCH IN AUGUST.

5 June – July 2nd, 2023

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
5	6 9.45 – 11.45 Parent and Baby/Toddler Group	7	8 9.30 Coffee Centre 19:30 Singing group Rehearsal	9	10	11 10.30 Junior Fun Church. Morning Worship led by Mr Matthew Patis
12 9.30 Mini Market in Coffee Bar	13 9.45 – 11.45 Parent and Baby/Toddler Group 14.30 Tuesday Ladies Club	14 3.30 Messy Church	15 9.30 Coffee Centre 14.30 Red House Care Home Service 19:30 Singing group Rehearsal	16	17	18 10.30 Morning Worship led by Ms Lynne Matthews. All Age Worship. Sunday Lunch
19 9.30 Mini Market in Coffee Bar	20 9.45 – 11.45 Parent and Baby/Toddler Group	21	22 9.30 Coffee Centre 19:30 Singing group Rehearsal	23 18:30 4 th Friday Games	24	25 10.30 Junior Fun Church Morning worship Gathering for Worship. 6:00 pm Revd. Claire Simpson Holy Communion
26 9.30 Mini Market in Coffee Bar.	27 9.45 – 11.45 Parent and Baby/Toddler Group 14.30 Tuesday Ladies Club	28	29 9.30 Coffee Centre 19.30 Singing group rehearsal	30	1 Leaving party for Claire and John	2 10.30 Junior Fun Church Morning Worship Led by Revd. Claire Simpson. Claire's last service at Fareham Methodist Church.

St John's Open Day & Giveaway!

• **Everything Free**

• **All Welcome**

Saturday 17th June, 10am to 3pm

Come along and join us for:

- Great giveaway - lots of household items for free.
- Fun and games
- Free Refreshments
- See the history of the church and the community.

St John the Evangelist Church. Find us on Upper St Michael's Grove, PO14 1DN, on the corner of Redlands Lane

St John's Fareham will be celebrating '60+!' - the 60th birthday of their church building and much else besides - in June. They will be having a great give-away and open day between 10am and 3pm on Saturday 17th June, and then a celebration service at 10am, followed by a bring-and-share lunch, on Sunday 18th June.

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10 May 2023

Dear Fareham Methodist Church members and leaders

I greet you in the wonderful name of our Lord Jesus Christ in whom we live and move and have our being.

As announced during the last few Circuit meetings, Rev David Muskett will be on sabbatical starting May until July 2023. I will be standing in during his absence and assure you of my dedication. With God's guidance I undertake to fill this role to the best of my ability as and when required.

Today I appeal for your help to add more people to our dedicated Circuit Steward Team. At the start of our new Church year in September 2023, we will have only 3 Circuit Stewards with all the responsibilities of this role in Circuit on their shoulders. The role of circuit stewards is an important one in the life of the Methodist Church. Together, the circuit stewards dedicate their time to the more practical aspects of property and finances in the Circuit and provide a pastoral ministry to the ministers and their families. In a nutshell, they share the collective responsibilities and oversight for the spiritual and material well-being of the Circuit.

The role of a circuit steward can be demanding but is even more so when the team does not include enough people to spread those responsibilities among a larger group. A larger group of people also provides a wider skill set which strengthens the collective ability to contribute to the development of the work of God in the circuit. We need more people.

Trusting that God always provides and calls, I hope that you will open your heart to this call for Circuit Stewards and offer your God-given gifts and skills to serve in this role.

Discipleship is at the root of all the work we do within the Church, and every role carries responsibilities but is also rewarding and stimulating in our journey of faith and service to God. East Solent and Downs Circuit needs you if God is prompting you to this vocation. God might also be prompting you with the name of the person who is called to this vocation. Will you then please share that with them or share their name with us?

It remains an honour to be part of a faithful and dedicated team of leaders consisting of laity, Deacons, and Presbyters - may God continue to guide and bless us all as we are witnesses of His love and mercy here where He placed us according to His plan and purpose.

You are welcome to contact me or any of the Circuit Stewards if you have questions around the Circuit Steward role and responsibilities. I add the role description for Circuit Stewards at the bottom of this letter.

Yours in Christ

Rev Elize Goddess

East Solent and Downs Methodist Circuit

Circuit Steward – Role Description

With the Superintendent and ministers appointed to the Circuit, the Circuit Stewards are responsible for the spiritual and material well-being of the Circuit and for upholding and acting upon the decisions of the Circuit Meeting.

Circuit Stewards:

- meet three times a year prior to the Circuit Meeting, as part of the Leadership team, to provide strategic direction for the Circuit.
- have a pastoral responsibility of care towards the ministers and their families.
- need to keep themselves informed of the activities of the local churches by being part of the Church Council for the churches to which they are allocated.
- need to be aware of the wider Methodist context and policies within which the Circuit operates.
- are responsible for bringing proposals for invitations or extensions to the

Circuit Invitation Committee and for conducting negotiations with presbyters as initiated by the District Chair.

- are collectively responsible for the Circuit funds, although in practice in the East Solent and Downs Circuit this is undertaken by the Circuit Treasurer.
- have responsibility for the maintenance of the manses within the Circuit.
- need to be alert to and take advice on the legal consequences of the office, particularly in relation to lay employment, finance and property.

The role is subject to interview and DBS clearance checks. In addition, there is a requirement to complete the foundation level safeguarding course.

Editor's Notes

It's June already and the weather has certainly improved, especially for the children over half term.

Just an update on our knitting flowers. Just to say that it is going great guns. Lots of people are knitting and we have over 200 already. Could anyone who has any flowers bring them next Thursday morning to the Coffee Centre at Church and perhaps help us to put them on the netting. If you are unable to come, you can leave them at the church in the Welcome area or I can drop round and collect them from you.

I am really excited to see how it will look.

I will continue going on a Thursday to the Coffee Centre as we will be knitting poppies for the Remembrance display at Church. If you don't like to knit or crochet, just come along for a chat.

Deadline for July efocus is 29th June.



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24TH-28TH JULY 2023

9:45AM-1:15PM

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MESSY CHURCH FOR MAY 2023

GOD'S SPIRIT IS OUR HELPER.

The spirit of God who raised Jesus from the dead, lives in you. Just as God raised Christ Jesus from the dead, he will give life to you by this same Spirit living within you.



Making a heart wreath for
The Coronation.



Icing Coronation biscuits
eating more than decorating.

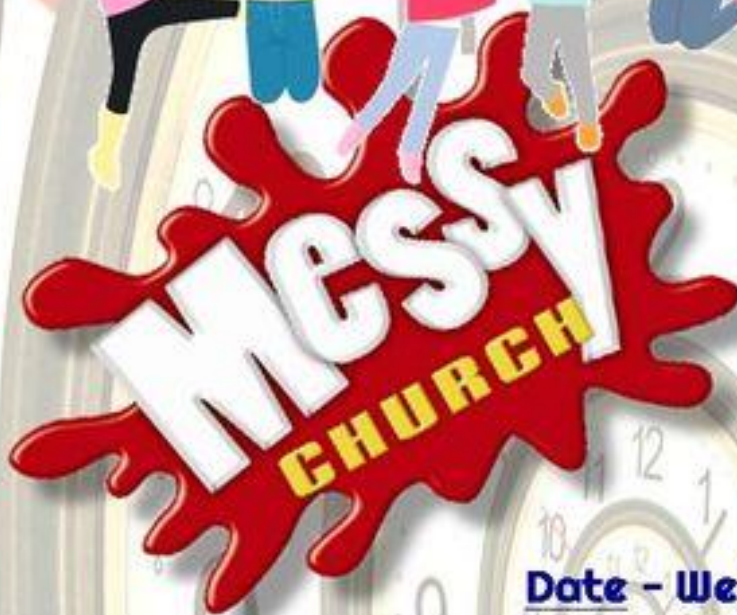


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Just chilling.





Date - Wednesday 14th June 2023

Time - from 3:30pm

Venue - Fareham Methodist Church

Games and Activities

Worship

Meal

Time for God

**I will find my rest in God alone.
He is the One who gives me hope.**

Psalms 62:5

Fareham Methodist Church



Holiday at Home

Let's go to Wales!

10:30–4:30pm
Wednesday 21st June

Tea, Coffee and Biscuits
Quiz and Craft Activities
Lunch

**Film—'The Englishman who went up a Hill
but came down a Mountain'**
Singing
Afternoon Tea

Tickets £5
(to cover food)