


# FAREHAM

## eFOCUS



God is pure light,  
undimmed by darkness  
of any kind.

1 John 1:5

Fareham Methodist Church

eFocus October2022

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### **Services for the Month of October 2022**

9 <sup>th</sup> Oct.	Mr. Andrew Wilcock 28 <sup>th</sup> in Ordinary Time.
16 <sup>th</sup> Oct.	Ms. Lynne Matthews 29 <sup>th</sup> in Ordinary Time.
23 <sup>rd</sup> Oct.	Mrs. Milly Aquilina-Gray 30 <sup>th</sup> in Ordinary Time. <b>6:00pm</b> Revd. Claire Simpson Iona. Holy Communion.
30 <sup>th</sup> Oct.	Mrs. Tracy Cooper 31 <sup>st</sup> in Ordinary Time.
6 <sup>th</sup> Nov.	Revd. Claire Simpson 32 <sup>nd</sup> in Ordinary Time Holy Communion

### **Tea and Coffee Rota for October 2022**

9 <sup>th</sup> Oct.	Sally Bland and Margaret Temple
16 <sup>th</sup> Oct.	Marilyn Woodrow and Lin Woodhams
23 <sup>rd</sup> Oct.	Meg Cox and Sarah Brooks
30 <sup>th</sup> Oct.	Irene Russell and Sue Gibson
6 <sup>th</sup> Nov.	Jean and Mike Petter

### **Meet and Greet October 2022**

9 <sup>th</sup> Oct.	Lin Woodhams
16 <sup>th</sup> Oct.	Walter Metcalf
23 <sup>rd</sup> Oct.	Bob Prince
30 <sup>th</sup> Oct.	Lynda Hayden-Jones
6 <sup>th</sup> Nov.	Julie Kettle



## 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 Circle is held on the FIRST Thursday of each month at 10.30 am (unless advised of a change!).

All are welcome and as the Coffee Centre is open you are welcome to bring a drink into the Sanctuary with you. You can just drop in for 5 minutes or stay longer. Do bring any of your concerns and we will pray with and for you. Or just come and sit and listen – no pressure.

6 <sup>th</sup> October	Jill Race
3 <sup>rd</sup> November	Revd. Claire
1 <sup>st</sup> December	Julie Kettle
2023	
5 <sup>th</sup> January	Bob Temple
2 <sup>nd</sup> February	Julie Kettle
2 <sup>nd</sup> March	Bob Temple
6 <sup>th</sup> April	Jill Race
4 <sup>th</sup> May	Revd. Claire
1 <sup>st</sup> June	Julie Kettle
6 <sup>th</sup> July	Revd. Claire

### Eric's Box.

Many, many thanks to all those who have contributed or are contributing to the Organ and Instrumental Fund.

This has now risen to £7,249. At the back of the Church on the bookcase on Sunday mornings there will usually be Eric's Box into which you could put donations for this Fund.

Many thanks again, Jill.

# Let's Sing and Celebrate

A 30th birthday AND Christmas celebration

featuring the vocal harmonies of

## Solent Sounds Chorus



**Saturday 3 December 2022 at 7:30pm**

(doors open 7:00pm)

Salisbury Green Community Centre

The Green

Salisbury SO31 7AA



*Raffles*

*Refreshments  
available*

*Licensed  
Bar*

**TICKET PRICES £10.00**

**& Concessions**

**£9.00 (under 16 or over 60)**



For tickets, please contact:

Peter Humphreys 07968 096054

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pxh\_jive@hotmail.com



[www.solentsoundschorus.org](http://www.solentsoundschorus.org)



# PRE-LOVED

# FashionSALE

LADIES', GENTS', and CHILDREN'S CLOTHES



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SATURDAY  
**22 October 2022**  
**10 – 4pm**

Fareham Methodist Church  
Kings Road  
Fareham  
PO16 0NU

**FREE ENTRY**  
**CASH PAYMENTS ONLY**  
*Refreshments PLUS*  
*Hot & Cold snacks*  
*available to purchase*

**Raffle tickets available to purchase on the day**

All clothing can be purchased with proceeds going to Messy Church & Fareham Methodist Church  
Community

[www.farehammethodist.org.uk](http://www.farehammethodist.org.uk)

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

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## Pre-loved Fashion Sale - save the date!

We are holding a pre-loved fashion sale in church on **Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> Oct** from 10am - 4pm.

There will be plenty of clothes and accessories on sale at bargain prices along with a raffle and refreshments available throughout the day. All proceeds will be split between church and Messy Church funds.

If you have any of the following items that you could donate towards the event, please make sure that they are delivered to the manse or church by Sunday Oct 2nd at the latest.

We are looking for good quality clothes including footwear, headwear, and other accessories (but NOT jewellery) along with raffle prizes.

If you would like to help volunteer on the day (or set-up the day before) then please speak to either Jill Groom, Bobby Watson, or Revd. Claire as soon as possible.

Thank you!

**DONATE  
FOOD  
HERE**



If it is possible, please bring one food item into Church when you are visiting. This will help enormously. Collection boxes in the Welcome Area. Thank you.

## Volunteers needed for the Basics Food Bank.

We have been looking at trying to support the Basics Food Bank and currently they have suggested that the most useful might be to extend their current hours on Fridays (3-5pm).

There are a couple of people from St John's who would be happy to help but we thought we could ask other local churches if anyone might be willing/able to help also to make up a team of sufficient volunteers?

Please could any willing volunteer's email [churchwardens@stjohnsfaresham.org.uk](mailto:churchwardens@stjohnsfaresham.org.uk)

Many thanks!

Vicky (Churchwarden at St John's).

## Vestry Jottings

Here we are coming into Autumn.

We said goodbye to Jeff with a lovely service celebrating his varied life. What a talented man he was.

We followed our Holy Communion service with a blessing for Lin and Chris's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. A wonderful service with good food to follow.

We now look forward to our pre-Loved clothes sale on the 22<sup>nd</sup> October. Come along and maybe pick up a bargain, there will be refreshments.

Brenda

On behalf of the stewards

## SUNDAY LUNCH 16<sup>th</sup> October at 12.15 p.m.approx.

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

### The Menu

**Starter:** Soup or Egg mayonnaise

**Main Course:** Roast Pork, Sausages, Roast Potatoes, Vegetables

**Puddings:** Variety

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

If you can help before or after the meal, please let me know. We particularly need help in the kitchen after the meal.

## *Fourth Friday Games for All Ages Next Games Night is 28<sup>th</sup> October 2022*

*Everyone is welcome between 6.30pm and 8.30pm*



*Enjoy being together to  
play tabletop and/or more energetic games as you  
prefer and have a relaxed chat with refreshments.*



*Kevin and Linda Foster*

**KEEP THIS DATE  
SATURDAY 3<sup>rd</sup>  
DECEMBER**



On this date we are having a Christmas Bazaar with various activities, stalls, and refreshments. The team would be grateful for your help with the Christmas gift, craft, and tombola stalls. If anyone has any new items suitable for either stall please have a word with Penny Garrett, Liz Haigh, or Edith Livingstone.

We can take non-food items from September and food items nearer the date. There will be more information nearer to December.

Many thanks.

### Fareham Methodist Church Website

The website is being updated and you will find a new heading for Messy Church – please have a look when you are visiting the site.

### You can also look at the East Solent and Down Circuit preaching plan.

1. **Go to Fareham Methodist Church Website.**
2. **Under the Name of the website there are tabs.**
3. **Click on the Worship tab and a drop-down menu will appear.**
4. **Click on Circuit Preaching Plan.**
5. **Click on the September to November 2022 and it will appear on your screen.**

If you need a paper copy, please let a steward know.

### Editor's Notes

What a sad time September was – the Queen's passing, although expected due to her age, was still a blow to the nation.

King Charles has taken up the reins, we now look forward and wish him a long and happy reign,

As you all know Chris and I had a fabulous Golden Wedding Blessing, it was very special to share it with our family, church family and friends. Thank you to Revd. Claire, Jill Race. and Mike Petter. who made the blessing happen and thank you for all the well wishes, cards and to those who stayed on to witness the event.

I had my 70<sup>th</sup> birthday the next week – thank you for all my cards and the flowers from the church.

Thank you for all the great articles provided by you all for the efocus – please keep them coming.

Next deadline November 1<sup>st</sup>. (I have remembered to put it in this month)





# October - November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
<b>3</b> <b>9.30</b> Mini Market in Coffee Bar	<b>4</b> 9.45 – 11.45 Parent and Toddler Group  14.00 Tuesday Ladies Club. At Catisfield Scout hut.	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> <b>9.30</b> Coffee Centre  10.30 Prayer Circle in Church Sanctuary led by J. Race 17.30 Brownies	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> <b>10.30</b> Junior Fun Church <b>10:30</b> Morning Worship led by Andrew Wilcock
<b>10</b> <b>9.30</b> Mini Market in Coffee Bar	<b>11</b> 9.45 – 11.45 Parent and Toddler Group  14:00 Pastoral Meeting (in Sanctuary)	<b>12</b> 3.30 Messy Church	<b>13</b> <b>9.30</b> Coffee Centre  10:30 Bible Study Group  11.00 Youth Forum 17.30 Brownies	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> 00.00 Safeguarding Training	<b>16</b> <b>10.30</b> All age worship led by Lynne Matthews.
<b>17</b> <b>9.30</b> Mini Market in Coffee Bar	<b>18</b> 9.45 – 11.45 Parent and Toddler Group  Tuesday Ladies Club – Meal at Fareham College	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> <b>9.30</b> Coffee Centre  19:30 Church Council Meeting  Brownies	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> 10:00 Pre-Loved Fashion Sale  19:00 Christian Aid Quiz – St John’s Church Hall.	<b>23</b> <b>10.30</b> Junior Fun Church <b>10.30</b> Morning Worship led Mrs Milly Aquilina-Gray. <b>6.00</b> Iona Holy Communion Led by Revd. Claire Simpson
<b>24</b> <b>9.30</b> Mini Market in Coffee Bar	<b>25</b> 9.45 – 11.45 Parent and Toddler Group	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> <b>9.30</b> Coffee Centre 10:30 Bible Study Group in the Sanctuary 17.30 Brownies	<b>28</b> 18.30 Fourth Friday Games	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> <b>10.30</b> Junior Fun Church <b>10:30</b> Morning Worship led by Tracy Cooper
<b>31</b> <b>9.30</b> Mini Market in Coffee Bar	<b>1</b> 9.45 – 11.45 Parent and Toddler Group 14:00 Tues. Ladies Club	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> <b>9.30</b> Coffee Centre <b>10.30</b> Prayer Circle. Revd. Claire Simpson	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> <b>10.30</b> Junior Fun Church <b>10:30</b> Morning worship led by Revd. Claire Simpson. Holy Communion



# **God's Love for the Planet**



**God said; "Let's make people to be like us, so that they  
look after all the living things in the world."**

**Games and Activities  
Worship  
Meal**

**Wednesday 12th October 2022**

**from 3:30pm – Fareham Methodist Church**



## SEPTEMBER MESSY CHURCH SHARING IS A LOVING ACTION

This month at Messy Church we had loads of fun. Biscuits were decorated, thank you cards created, boxes made and embellished. Soap was made pretty and useful, Food Bank donation boxes jazzed up to make them more noticeable.

Several of the activities two items were made - one to keep, one to give away.

The meal as always very delicious, thanks to our cooks.



## Rotary Shoe Box Appeal

If you have taken a box, please remember to return it to Church by 23<sup>rd</sup> October, and enter on the sheet.

I am away now until 23<sup>rd</sup> October, so if you bring your box back before that, please hand to a Steward.

Many thanks for your support.  
Linda Press



**Scammers impersonating your family members, particularly adult children, to ask you for money are now targeting you through text messages.**



The tree-planting ceremony during the Environmental and Sustainable Development Day at Lambeth Palace during the 2022 Lambeth Conference. Revd Dr Rachel Mash is pictured on the far right. Photo: Andrew Baker for The Lambeth Conference. Wednesday 3 August 2022

It's great that Fareham Methodist Church will have a tree planted in our local area. Every tree helps the environment.

If you are interested in what is happening globally regarding climate change within churches of all faiths, go to the Operation Noah website – it makes an interesting read.

## WhatsApp 'mum and dad' scam

**PLEASE BE AWARE**





# Film and Meal Evening

## Film Belfast.

What a great night – community meal with a brilliant film.

What more can you ask for. Pictures say it all everyone enjoying the food and chatting together...

Thank you to everyone involved in making the evening a great success.

