

FAREHAM

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Services for the Month
September 2024

- 8th Sept. 10:30 am.
Miss Trish Chiwera.
23rd in Ordinary Time.
- 15th Sept. 10:30 am.
Revd. Pauline Crispin
Family Holy Communion.
24th in Ordinary Time.
- 22nd Sept. 10:30 am.
Lynne Matthews.
Harvest festival.
All Age service.
25th in Ordinary Time.
- 29th Sept. 10:30 am.
Mrs Tracy Cooper.
26th in Ordinary Time.
- 06:00 pm.
Revd. Pauline Crispin.
Holy Communion.
Reflective Service.
- 6th Oct. 10:30 am.
Revd. Pauline Crispin.
Family Holy Communion.
27th in Ordinary Time.

Tea and Coffee Rota
for September 2024

- 8th Sept. Sally Bland and Maragret Temple.
- 15th Sept. Marilyn Woodrow and Lin Woodhams.
- 22nd Sept. Meg Cox and Sarah Brooks.
- 29th Sept. Irene Russell and Sue Gibson.
- 6th Oct. Jean and Mike Petter.

Meet and Greet Rota
For September 2024

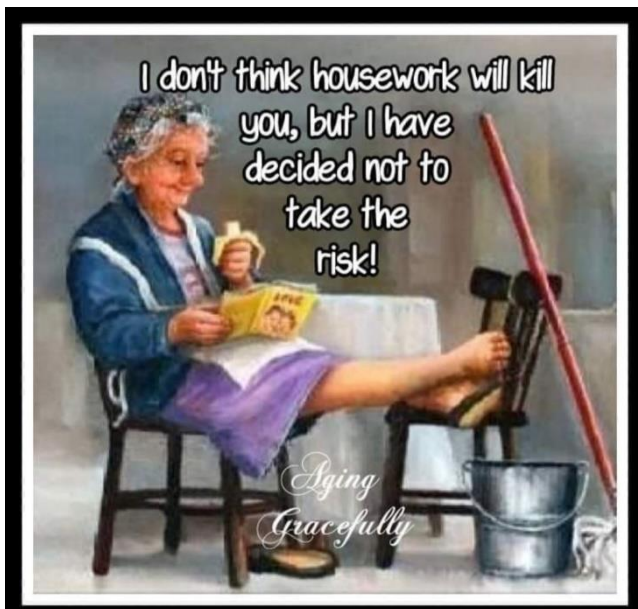
- 8th Sept. Christine Fielding
- 15th Sept. Simon Potter
- 22nd Sept. VOLUNTEER NEEDED
- 29th Sept. VOLUNTEER NEEDED
- 6th Oct. VOLUNTEER NEEDED

**Distributing hymn books on Sunday
For September 2024**

8th Sept. Jenny Chalmers
15th Sept. Rach Davies
22nd Sept. Christine Fielding
29th Sept. Rach Davies
6th Oct. VOLUNTEER NEEDED

Flower Rota for September 2024

8th Sept. Lin and Chris
15th Sept. Margaret Temple
22nd Sept. VOLUNTEER NEEDED
29th Sept. Una Peters
6th Oct. Linda Foster



CHANGE OF DATE

THE WORSHIP
CONSULTATION WILL NOW
MEET ON MONDAY 16TH
SEPTEMBER 7.30PM
AT THE MANSE.

There will be a Circuit Welcome Service for Revd Rachel Bending, the new District Chair, at Portchester Methodist Church on Tuesday 10th September at 7.30pm. All are welcome. If you wish to attend **the caterers have asked for an idea of numbers, so please sign up** on the list at the back of the church **this morning**. Thank you!

Our Steward Rach Davies is walking 30 miles this September in support of Dementia UK.

Please support her.

A sponsorship form is in the Welcome Area.

This September, I'm walking 30 miles and raising funds to help ensure no family faces dementia alone. I'm taking on the challenge for Dementia UK, the specialist dementia nursing charity, and would be grateful for your support. Your donation, big or small, makes a difference.

Just £8 can cover the telephone costs for two families seeking support through Dementia UK's free Helpline.

£33 could fund a new dementia specialist Admiral Nurse to spend an hour helping a family in the community, offering practical solutions and emotional support to cope with their loved one's distressed behaviour.

Thank you!

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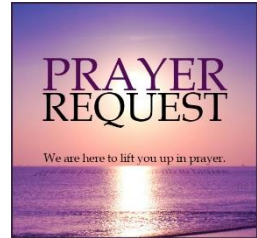
To MEMBERS AND FRIENDS
OF FAREHAM METHODIST
CHURCH.

Dear Friends,

**This is just to say thank you for the stamps
that you have collected and so kindly donated
to Bible Society.**

**'Trust in the LORD forever, for the LORD GOD
is an everlasting rock.'** Isaiah 26.4 ESV.

From Jude in the post room.



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 a leaf and hang it on the tree. These will be collected each month when the group meets.

The Thursday prayer group meets on the first Thursday of each month at 10:30 am in the Sanctuary.

All are welcome to join us, for five 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.

September	Pauline Crispin
October	Jill Race
November	Julie Kettle
December	Bob Temple

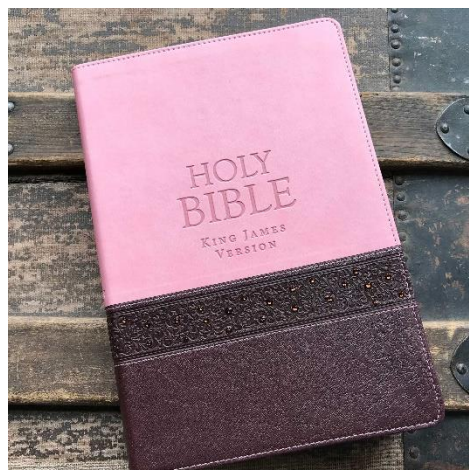


THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY GROUP

At our next Bible study group, we are starting to look at the women in the Old Testament.

If you would like to join our small but friendly group on the 3rd Thursday of the month at 10:00 am. Please pop in or if you would like more information, it will be great to speak.

Audrey Mann





We believe in life before death

You are invited to our annual Christian Aid
Quiz

On

Saturday 5th October 2024 at 7pm

At

**St John's Church Hall
Upper St Michael's Grove, Fareham**

**Anitha Santharaj will be joining us
to share news and updates from Christian Aid**

Spaces are limited so you need to get tickets in advance.
Either gather your own team together (up to eight people)
or just buy a ticket, come along and join in with others.

Bring your own nibbles, drinks and glasses

Tickets - £5.00 per person

For more details and tickets, please contact
Rachel Hicks (01329 312895) or your church rep:

Linda Foster



BREAST CANCER TEA

Editor's Notes

Summer is nearly over, and events are being planned in the life of the Church.

The first fundraising event will be a Cake and Music Quiz afternoon on the 20th September in the Large Hall from 2pm. A sign-up form will be in the Welcome Area from Sunday 1st September. This is a donation event.

Save this date for the next Film Night on the 28th September – Film to be confirmed. We will need helpers on the night. If you can help, please contact Jill Groom.

The Breast Cancer Tea in the end raised £438.00 Thank you everyone who came and supported the event.

Next deadline date for the efocus will be 30th September 2024.

Lin

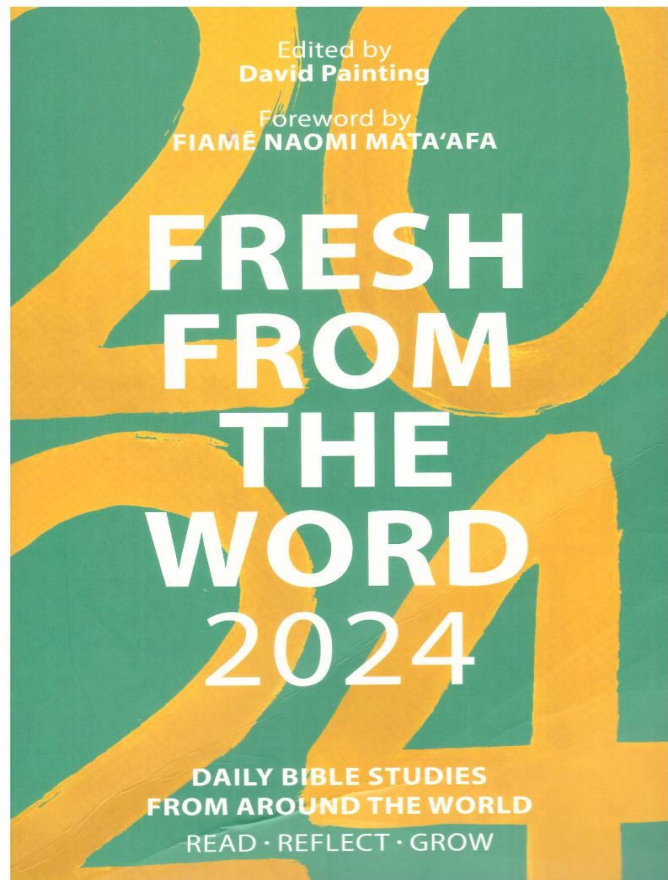
Thank you so very much for the beautiful flowers that Liz delivered to me the other week.

They really cheered me up, after receiving the sad news that my friend I had known for a very long time, passed away sooner than everyone expected.

Jenny Chalmers

Thank you for the pretty flowers that Margaret and Bob bought to me last Sunday. They were much appreciated.

Elizabeth Wilcock



Fresh From the Word. IBRA Notes.

A 'God of Surprises' has been one of the themes in this year's edition of Daily Studies from the IBRA (International Bible Reading Association). Isn't it good to be surprised, intrigued - helping us to grow in our faith.

If you would like to order next year's book, please contact Jill R. (Cost is £13.99).



TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE
IN SOMEONE'S LIFE, YOU
DON'T HAVE TO BE BRILLIANT,
RICH, BEAUTIFUL, OR PERFECT.
YOU JUST HAVE TO CARE

HARVEST SUNDAY LUNCH 22nd September 2024 at 12.15 p.m. 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 donations for a charity this month. 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 or Greek Salad

Main Course: Gammon, Sausages, Roast Potatoes, Vegetables, Apple Sauce

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 can stay to help until all the washing up is done, please sign the helpers list. It then means that those of us who have been at church since 8.45am can slip away before 3pm!

Thank you. Jill Groom

I would like to say a big thank all those people who have been helping before and after the meals recently. With the numbers, sometimes as many as 60, we really need this help!

*Thank you all
Jill x*



Vestry Jottings

PLEASE ADD TO YOUR SHOPPING LIST

Tinned beef (minced, casserole, chilli con carne, Irish stew)
Tinned chicken
Ham/Spam
Tinned carrots
Tinned sweetcorn
Tinned tuna
Deodorants (men and women)
Chocolate bars
Washing powder/liquid

Thank you

FAREHAM AND GOSPORT BASICS BANK
Local people supporting local people

Hello everyone,

As you may well have noticed, our Harvest Thanksgiving Service is on the 22nd Sept and we are very pleased to welcome 'home' Lynne Matthews to lead our service. Come along and learn what we are hoping to do with and for our local environment; I am looking forward to using some of the ideas in my own environment at home.

The donations will be going to the Basics Bank; they are asking for items from the list above and the following items which are needed most frequently:-

UHT milk, cereals, tinned meats, tinned vegetables, coffee and squash, sugar, jam, packets of cuppa soup, toilet rolls, toiletries, nappies, sanitary products, washing powder and washing up liquid. Keep an eye out in the Early Birds for any updates on urgently needed items.

Any cosmetics and toiletries which are donated will be shared, depending on need, between the Refuge, Basics Bank and Fareham College.

We are also looking to set-up a liaison group to oversee, assist and support the various fund-raising groups with their activities. If you are interested, could spare some time to help, or have any interesting ideas, please see one of the Stewards. 😊

Our fund-raising activities are in aid of our church building, helping to safe-guard and future proof it for both our church community and for the Global environment. We are all God's stewards of this wonderful planet we live on.

Audrey

On behalf of the Stewards.

A Smile

A smile it is a funny thing.
It wrinkles up your face.
When it's gone, you never find,
Its secret hiding place.

But far more wonderful it is,
To see what smiles can do,
You smile at one, he smiles at you,
So, one smile makes two.

Margaret Burns.

Denim Delights:

On the first Thursday of the month (and most other Thursdays), Edith and I will be making "Delights" from used denim. These will be for sale in aid of the electrical and environmental work we hope to undertake. We have many different projects that we would love anyone and everyone to help make. These include small cross badge/brooches, teddies, bracelets and many more ideas. If you would like to join us, have a play, and help please come whenever you can.

P.S. No sewing experience needed. And if you have any used denim/jeans we would love to reuse and transform it into something valuable.

Thank you, Audrey,



CAKE SALE

Following the morning service on 20th October there will be a cake sale with all donations going to the asylum seekers fund.

Support for this will be much appreciated.

Thanks, Linda Brooks



PLEASE ADD TO YOUR SHOPPING LIST

Tinned beef (minced casserole, chilli con carne and Irish stew)
Tins of Ham/Spam and Corn Beef
Tins of Meatballs, Hot Dogs
Tins of Carrots/Peas and Potatoes
Tins of Sweetcorn
Tins of Tuna
Tins of Chicken
Tins of Fruit
Deodorants (men and women)
Bars of Chocolate
Washing powder and washing up liquid
UHT milk (semi skinned and full fat)
Cereals
Coffee
Squash
Tins of Fruit
Tins of custard or cartons
Jam
Packets of cuppa soup/Pot noodles
Toilet rolls
Toiletries
Nappies
Sanitary products
Biscuits



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