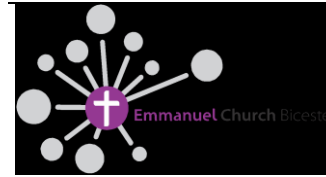


ECB's NOTICE BOARD

7 th June	10.30am	Informal Worship – TRINITY 1 Leader: Andrew Collett Preacher: Roger Winson <i>You are what you eat</i> 1 Peter 3:14-16/Dan 1:8 Reader: Sue White Prayers: Dora Potter
	12.00 –5.00pm	Bicester Big Lunch - Sheep Street & Pioneer Square
	7.00pm	Prayer & Intercession evening – Ian Biscoe
8 th June	3.10–4.15pm	After school club for school years 4-6
9 th June	9.00am	Prayers in Church
	10.00 - 12.00	Seniors' Café (Crafts)
	7.30-9.00pm	Youth Small group – Yrs. 12 & 13
10 th June	10.00 for 10.30	Oasis Small Group – Church Prayer Room
	7.30pm	ALPHA
	7.30pm	Mathetes
11 th June	6.30-8.00pm	Youth Group in Church – Years 7,8 & 9 <i>Includes STIR from 7:30 to 8:00pm</i>
	7.30-9.00pm	Youth Group in Church – Years 10 & 11
	8.00-9.00pm	Band practice
14 th June	10.30am	Interactive Worship – TRINITY 2 Leader: Mandy Bentley Preacher: Ian Biscoe <i>Who we are in Christ</i> Colossians 1:3-14 Reader: Karen Stoddart Prayers: John Bentley
	12.45-2.30pm	Welcome Lunch
	7.00pm	Evening Service – Guest speaker Dan Beesley
15 th June	3.10–4.15pm	After school club for school years 4-6
16 th June	9.00am	Prayers in Church
	10.00 - 12.00	Seniors' Café (Music)
	7.30-9.00pm	Youth Small group – Yrs. 12 & 13
17 th June	10.00 for 10.30	Oasis Small Group – Church Prayer Room
	7.30pm	ALPHA
	7.30pm	Mathetes
18 th June	6.30-8.00pm	Youth Group in Church – Years 7,8 & 9 <i>Includes STIR from 7:30 to 8:00pm</i>
	7.30-9.00pm	Youth Group in Church – Years 10 & 11
	8.00-9.00pm	Band practice



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**Sunday 7th
June 2015**

We extend a warm welcome to regulars and visitors alike. If you are new at Emmanuel, or visiting, please do introduce yourself to one of the Welcome Team.

James Dunne writes:

Last week Scott Dalton spoke about Peter stepping out of the boat and onto the water. His talk left me with several questions about stepping into something that is new, stepping into something that is unknown, and stepping out in Faith.

As I have reflected on both the talk and passage, it seems to me that the reality of the situation with the storm and the boat being tossed about was clear to all the disciples. With the appearance of Jesus came the challenge to the disciples and our perceptions – How do you walk on water? With the appearance of Christ there also came

the hope of rescue and safety, for here was the man they were more and more depending on and recognising his connection to God. But there also came opportunity to see and experience life in a different way. Peter was the only one to take that opportunity when he sought Christ's permission to join him on the water. But as he stepped out into the new and the unknown he brought not only his Faith but also his fears and worries which quickly overwhelmed his faith.

Further consideration has brought me to recognise that before Peter acted Christ was already there in the situation. It was Christ who invited Peter to step out when Peter's question showed his willingness to step into something new. And it was Christ who was there to rescue when Peter was overwhelmed. My reflections have forced me to change the questions

I am asking. My questions have now become:

How do I recognise Christ is already there in a situation? For Christ through his Spirit always goes before us. He is our leader and guide.

How do I recognise Christ is inviting me to share in a situation? Fruitfulness and satisfaction comes from sharing in the work of the Spirit, stepping out in our own without the Spirit is likely to lead to frustration and disappointment.

How do I allow the Father to rescue me from my difficulties?

As we step out into God's work he challenges and refines us in our thoughts and actions. But he also heals and restores us. In stepping into the new, our old ways of looking at things may become a hindrance and our old knowledge inadequate for the task that lies ahead. We need to be constantly renewed in our minds through the revelation of the Spirit, but we may also need healing for those hurts that prevent us being all that we could be under God.

Blessings James

PRAYER REQUESTS

If you would value prayer for yourself or a loved one please email the ECB prayer chain ecbprayerchain@hotmail.co.uk or pass details to Karen at the church office by 2pm on Monday so that they can be prayed for at Tuesday prayers.

FATHERS DAY – 21st June

After the morning service we will be going over to Bure Park school for a BBQ and games to celebrate together. Volunteers needed to help with games and serving food.

BICESTER BIG LUNCH – Today in Sheep Street & Pioneer Square

Join our town for lunch, entertainment & community building. 12 noon to 5pm.

HOLIDAY CLUB AT ECB – 20th – 24th July

Volunteers are needed to lead small groups, play music, act in a drama, organise games, make refreshments, be creative, pray – but above all JOIN IN ! *If you would like to get involved then please speak to Ian or Karen and get a volunteer form. Child registration forms also available.*

CHURCH DIRECTORY – If you would like to be included in the new version of the church directory or have changed address/phone number or email please email Karen with details (administrator@emmanuelbicester.org.uk).

Badminton every Thursday 8.30 – 9.30 at Bicester Leisure Centre
ECB Cycle Club - Sundays 14th & 28th June. Meet at church at 8.15am for 12 mile bike ride (1hr approx.)

ROTAS

Prayer Co-ordinator

7th June Ian Biscoe
14th June Dorothy Williams
21st June Katie Jenkinson

Sunday Club

7th June Helle & Sarah
14th June *Interactive Worship*
21st June Jackie & Michelle

Sunday Club

7th June Karl & Debbie
14th June *Interactive Worship*
21st June Sam W & Sandy

Bubbles

Helle & Sarah
Interactive Worship
Jackie & Michelle

The Grid

Karl & Debbie
Interactive Worship
Sam W & Sandy

Splash

Nicola & Beckie
Interactive Worship
Sandy & Ellie

Crèche

Tosin & TBA
Interactive Worship
Doyin & Vicky

Welcome Team

7th June Jeanette Collett & John Thompson
14th June Hannah Shipman & Andrew Collett
21st June Peter Hill & Steve Willott

Sunday Team Duties (Refreshments, taking up the offering)

7th June Spirited
14th June Hilarious
21st June Connect

Finance Team

7th June Roger Winson & Ian Brown
14th June Peter Stoddart & Tom Mitchell
21st June James Dunne & James Sheppard

Any notices for next week please to Karen by 7 p.m. Wednesday at administrator@emmanuelbicester.org.uk