

**ECB's NOTICE BOARD**

- 8<sup>th</sup> June**      **10.30am Pentecost – Doing it Differently – Guest Service**  
**Leader:** Rach Bowen                      **Preacher:** Ian Biscoe  
**Subject:** ‘Paying the Taxman’      Matthew 17:24-27  
**Reader:** Sarah Dawkins                  **Prayers:** Katie Jenkinson  
**7.00pm Evening Service**  
**Leader:** Ian Biscoe                      **Preacher:** Dr Saheb John Borgal  
**Subject:** Tribal Transformation in India
- 9<sup>th</sup> June**      12.00pm              **Memorial Service for Ken Potter** – in Church  
 followed by refreshments
- 10<sup>th</sup> June**      9.00am              **Prayers** in Church  
 10.00am              **Seniors’ Café** – in Church
- 11<sup>th</sup> June**      10.00 for 10.30 **Oasis Small Group** – Church Prayer Room
- 12<sup>th</sup> June**      7.00-8.30pm      **Youth Group** in Church – Years 6, 7 & 8  
 7.00-9.00pm      **Youth Group** in Church – Years 9 & above  
 8.00pm              **Worship Group** Practice – in Church
- 13<sup>th</sup> June**      9.00am              **Standing Committee** – in Church
- 15<sup>th</sup> June**      **10.30am Trinity Sunday & Fathers’ Day – Informal Service**  
**Leader:** Jackie Meek                      **Preacher:** Roger Winson  
**Subject:** ‘The Greatest’                  Matthew 18:1-9  
**Reader:** Graham Collison              **Prayers:** John Thompson  
**7.00pm Worship Central – in Church** (coffee from 6.30)  
**Session 7** – “The Authentic Leader” Rach Bowen
- 17<sup>th</sup> June**      9.00am              **Prayers** in Church  
 10.00am              **Seniors’ Café** – in Church  
 7.30pm              **Gardening Group** – Venue TBC
- 18<sup>th</sup> June**      10.00 for 10.30 **Oasis Small Group** – Church Prayer Room
- 19<sup>th</sup> June**      7.00-8.30pm      **Youth Group** in Church – Years 6, 7 & 8  
 7.00-9.00pm      **Youth Group** in Church – Years 9 & above  
 8.00pm              **Worship Group** Practice – in Church
- 21<sup>st</sup> June**      4.00pm-6pm      **TWIST Family Fun Church**  
 At Bicester Methodist Church
- 22<sup>nd</sup> June**      **10.30am Trinity 1 – Communion Service**  
**Leader:** Ian Biscoe                      **Preacher:** Tim Howard  
**Subject:** ‘Lost Sheep’                  Matthew 18:10-14  
**Reader:** Michelle Blackwell-Baker      **Prayers:** Chris Shields  
**7.00pm Discipleship Evening**  
**You are invited to see a video from recent HTB leaders’ conference of a talk by Kay Warren**



**Welcome!**

**to the church  
at the heart  
of the community**

8<sup>th</sup> June 2014

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*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.*

**John Williams writes this week**

Dear Friends today we celebrate Pentecost.

When year on year I came to preach on this day when we remember the coming of the Holy Spirit in power on God’s people, I struggled, not because I didn’t believe that it happened, but rather that it was a one-off.

God in His mercy showed me something different. In Acts 2.39 Peter said to the crowds who had gathered for the great feast in Jerusalem “*The promise is for you*” The promise was His Spirit coming to equip and enable His church to be what He had purposed, to receive power enabling them to witness to Him. The promise was “*you shall receive power*” Acts 1.8 and it

happened when the Spirit fell on the people. But I’m so thankful it didn’t end there.

Peter said “Repent and be baptised, every one of you in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.” How wonderful for them.

But look very carefully at this verse, because this is God’s pattern for all time. The promise is for you **and your children and for all who are far off – for all whom the Lord our God will call.**

But promises have to be claimed. My mother had a very expensive and beautiful piano, when I was 15 she died and my father asked me if I wanted the piano or it would be sold and he would give me the money. I opted for the money and so the piano was sold and a cheque was written out to me, but I never cashed it. It was my inheritance but I never claimed it.

Where are we today in all of this? This is the package when we first put our trust in Jesus, this is our inheritance. We turn from our sins (we repent), believing that Jesus Christ died on the cross to bear our wrong being and God's judgment. We turn to Him and own Him as our Saviour and Lord. As evidence of this we are baptised in water and the promise of God's Spirit in all His fullness is received.

need to know that the Holy Spirit in all His fullness can be ours. In the Acts of the Apostles, we read that the disciples were filled again and again.

The promise is for you, and Jesus says in *Luke 11.13* "how much more will your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him."

*With love,*

*John Williams*

Sometimes this doesn't happen all at the same time. But on this day we

This week, **we ask you to pray for those in our church family or known to us** who are ill or for other reasons require our prayers, including: -

>>**Steve Willott** in his loss of **Yvonne** who died on Wednesday.

>>**Dora Potter** in her loss of **Ken** whose funeral & memorial service is tomorrow.

>>**Sue Lewis** (Lisa's mother), and also **Lisa** and **Mark Verman**.

>>**Ron** and **Vera Spaenij**. **Ron** is to have follow-on treatment after his operation.

>>**Adrian** and **Charlotte Stone** and baby **Ruby**.

#### **Photography in Church - Sunday 15th June**

We're planning to take some new photos of our church in action. These will be used on the website, on Facebook and in other publicity material.

As part of this, we're going to be taking photos before, during and after the service on Sunday 15th June. We want to capture the church as we really are - so just come along as normal please!

If you are over 18 and don't want your photo to be used, can you please let Dave Rossiter or Jan Butter know beforehand or on the day itself. If you are a parent with children at church that day, then we will also ask you to sign a consent form for us.

Do let Dave or Jan know if you have any questions. [dave.rossiter@gmail.com](mailto:dave.rossiter@gmail.com) or [jhb9002@gmail.com](mailto:jhb9002@gmail.com)

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**Badminton every Thursday 8.30 – 9.30 at Bicester Leisure Centre**

**CAP Money Course at ECB starts tomorrow and the following two Mondays at 8pm in Church – contact Roger Winson to reserve a place.**

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#### **ROTAS**

##### **Prayer Ministers**

8<sup>th</sup> June Chris Shields  
15<sup>th</sup> June Katie Jenkinson  
22<sup>nd</sup> June Anointers: Christine Thompson & Tony Shields

##### **Sunday Club**

8<sup>th</sup> June  
15<sup>th</sup> June Helle & TBA  
22<sup>nd</sup> June Doreen & Jane

##### **Bubbles**

**Doing it Differently**  
Helle & TBA  
Doreen & Jane

##### **Splash**

**Doing it Differently**  
Kate & Vera  
Sandy & Dave

##### **Sunday Club**

8<sup>th</sup> June  
15<sup>th</sup> June Tom & Debbie  
22<sup>nd</sup> June Karl & Sandy

##### **The Grid**

**Doing it Differently**  
Tom & Debbie  
Karl & Sandy

##### **Crèche**

Doyin & Nicola  
Jane & Tosin  
Claire & Tammy

##### **Welcome Team**

8<sup>th</sup> June Andy Matheson, John Innes  
15<sup>th</sup> June Nathan Argyle, Sue White  
22<sup>nd</sup> June Andrew Collett, David Bambrook

##### **Sunday Team Duties (Refreshments, taking up the offering)**

8<sup>th</sup> June Sandy Addison with Sue White's former team  
15<sup>th</sup> June Heather Hindmarsh's Sunday Team  
22<sup>nd</sup> June Clare Bean's Small Group

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**Any notices for next week please to Roger Winson by 7 p.m. at**  
[rogerwinson@btinternet.com](mailto:rogerwinson@btinternet.com)

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