

ECB's NOTICE BOARD

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| 13th November | 10.30am | Interactive Worship 2nd Before Advent <i>Remembrance</i> Leader: Andrew Collett Preacher: Robert Jackson Reading: Heather Hindmarsh Prayers: Karen Stoddart |
| | 7.00pm | Evening Service <i>Life changing Encounters – Publius</i> <i>Acts 28:1-10</i> Leader: Lonah Hebditch Preacher: Roger Winson |
| 14th November | 3.10–4.15pm | After school club for school years 4-6 |
| 15th November | 9.00am | Prayers in Church |
| | 10.00-12noon | Rock of Ages Café |
| | 7.00-7.30pm | Prayers in church |
| | 7.15pm | Living Well in the End Times – session 3 |
| | 7.30pm | Men's Curry night – Anica's |
| 16th November | 10.00 for 10.30 | Oasis Small Group |
| | 7pm | Marriage Course |
| | 7.00-7.30pm | Prayers in church |
| 17th November | 6.30-8.00pm | Youth Group in Church – Years 7, 8 & 9 <i>Includes STIR from 7:30 to 8:00pm</i> |
| | 8.15-9.15pm | Band practice |
| 18-20th November | | Abundant Life Conference – please book |
| 20th November | 10.30am | Informal Worship Christ the King <i>Abundance</i> Leader: Gemma Wilkinson Preacher: Ian Biscoe Reading: Holly Howard Prayers: Katie Jenkinson |
| | 7.00pm | Churches In Bicester Evening Service <i>Abundant Life</i> Preacher: Scott Dalton |



Welcome!

*to the church
at the heart
of the community*

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Notices: notices@emmanuelbicester.org.uk

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Website: www.emmanuelbicester.org.uk

**Sunday 13^h
November
2016**

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.



Robert Jackson writes:

Twice now in the past four months, I have woken in the morning to be greeted by a newscaster telling me that I was waking up to a situation that I thought extremely unlikely when I had gone to sleep hours before. First it was Brexit, and now it's Trump. The experts got it wrong and the commentators are telling us that these surprises reflect the fact that our leaders have lost touch with the people. So shocked are the BBC that several of their reports have emphasised that Trump was especially popular with 'white men who didn't go to college'.

In other words, only ill-educated 'red-necks' are daft enough to vote for Trump which is precisely the condescending attitude that the so-called ill-educated 'red-necks' are

rebelling against. But I reckon there is more to it than this, something more far reaching and it represents a movement that has been growing over the past five hundred years or more.

Most of you will have heard of the Enlightenment. This was an idea set out a long time ago and basically assumed that as human beings, we would be able to work everything out for ourselves. As time passed, we did indeed become cleverer and cleverer to the point where a lot of people today think we are not far from success... interesting therefore that the name given to the Higgs Boson is the God particle!

As a result, many people believe that the way to make the world a better place is to educate everyone. Hence the frustration with the uneducated classes who are simply too thick to understand how things are meant to be.

New teachers on the staff at a New York high school received in their pigeon holes on the first day of their first term, a letter from the principal that read as follows:

"I am a survivor of a concentration camp. My eyes saw what no person should witness: gas chambers built by learned engineers; children poisoned by educated physicians; infants killed by trained nurses; women and babies shot by high school and college graduates. So, I am suspicious of education. My request is: Help your children become human. Reading, writing, arithmetic are important only if they serve to make our children more human."

Jesus was the one pure human being ever to live, and he lived a life that ultimately let us in on the great secret of living together... LOVE. He was, He is, love in human form. Professors with Phd's coming out of their ears can love just as graciously as illiterate, innumerate vagrants, and at the end of the day, it is love and not education that will bring peace to our world. One of Jesus' friends, the apostle John, wrote: "God is love, and those who live in love live in God, and God lives in them."



Blessings
Robert

PRAYER REQUESTS - If you would value prayer for yourself or a loved one, please email the ECB prayer chain prayerchain@emmanuelbicester.org.uk or send an email to the church office on a Monday to be included in Tuesday morning prayers.

Abundant Life Conference – 18th- 20th November 2016

Further details about the programme coming soon.
Book via Eventbrite <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/abundant-life-conference-18th-20th-november-2016-tickets-27931115719> or speak to Karen in the office.

Living Well in the End Times

A short seminar series on logistics around the end of life. The third of the four sessions is on Tuesday 15th Nov starting at 7:15pm. Flyers available or contact Carol Hill. Carolghill@hotmail.co.uk.

Advent Quiet Day – 26th November 10am to 4pm

See flyers or contact Chris Shields for more details. christinashields01@gmail.com

Men's Curry night

The monthly curry night will take place at Anika's in Deans Court on Tuesday 15th November from 7:30pm. Contact Colin Arter or Pete Stoddart for details.

Midweek Communion – November

This will take place on Weds 30th November. There will be no midweek communion in December.

ROTAS

Welcome Team

13th November Tony Shields & Nathan Argyle
20th November John Thompson & Debbie Winson
27th November Steve Willott & Heather Hindmarsh

Sunday Team Duties (Refreshments, taking up the offering)

13th November More & Men's Group
20th November Hilarious
27th November 20's & 30's

Sunday Club

13th November
20th November
27th November

Mustard Seeds (crèche)

Interactive Worship
Sophie & Lonah
Jane & Rowan

Cherry Blossom (Pre-school/Foundation)

Interactive Worship
Claire & Qi
Helle & Doyin

Sunday Club

13th November
20th November
27th November

Willows (School yrs 1-3)

Interactive Worship
Jo W & Ken
Peter H & Mike

Silver Birches (School yrs 4-6)

Interactive Worship
Sandy A & Ceri
And & Liz W

Youth

13th November
20th November
27th November

The Grid (School year 7+)

Interactive Worship
Karl & Fleur
Sam W & Sandy D

Finance Team

13th November Roger Winson & Ian Brown
20th November Pete Stoddart & Steve Willott
27th November James Dunne & Geoff Saunders

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