

FAREHAM EFOCUS OCTOBER 2025



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**Services for the Month of
October 2025**

12 th Oct.	10:30 am. Revd. Canon Richard Atkins-Greig 28 th Sunday in Ordinary Time.
19 th Oct.	10:30 am. Andrew Wilcock All Age Worship. 29 th Sunday in Ordinary Time.
26 th Oct.	10:30 am Mrs Christine Hargrave 30 th Sunday in Ordinary Time.
	6:00 pm. Revd. Dr. John Illsley. Holy Communion.
2 nd Nov.	10:30 am. Revd. Pauline Crispin. Holy Communion . Pastoral Visitors Annual Dedication. Sunday before Advent.
	4:00 pm. Revd. Pauline Crispin. Service of Thanksgiving.

**Sunday Coffee and Tea Rota
October 2025**

12 th Oct.	Elizabeth Wilcock and Terry Ferguson.
19 th Oct.	Lynda Haydon-Jones and Rae Shepherd.
26 th Oct,	Rach Davies and Jenny Chalmers.
02 nd Nov	Sally Bland and Margaret Temple.

**Meet and Greet on a Sunday.
October 2025**

12 th Oct.	Heather Murphy.
19 th Oct.	Christine Fielding.
26 th Oct.	Christine Fielding.
02 nd Nov.	Christine Fielding

Deadline for next month's efocus is 1st November.

Flower Rota October 2025

12th Oct. Una Peters

19th Oct.

26th Oct.

2nd Nov. Lin and Chris



Bob and Margaret Temple would like to say a big thank you for the flowers received on the occasion of their 23rd Wedding Anniversary
Blessings Bob

Sally and Mike Bland

We both would like to say a big thank you for everybody's kind thoughts and prayers for Richard and ourselves and family over the past weeks. It has been a great comfort to us all. Richard is so much better and making good progress, it will take time, but he is travelling in the right direction.

Thank you

Sunday Lunch 19th October 2025 at 12.15 approx.

This is open to all members of the congregation and all family and friends. We ask for a donation (of at least £5 each if you are able, please) towards the cost of the meal and any profits will go to a **Charity**. 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 Pâté

Main Course: Chicken, Sausages, Roast Potatoes, Vegetables

Puddings: Variety

There will be a list in the Welcome area for you to sign.
Please come along and enjoy a Sunday roast.



CRAFT DAY AT
FAREHAM METHODIST CHURCH

5TH NOVEMBER

10:00 AM TO 4:00 PM.

OPEN TO EVERYONE

QUILTING

KNITTING

CARD
MAKING

CROCHET

COME ALONG AND TRY SOMETHING NEW.

STAY AS LONG AS YOU WISH.

TEA/COFFEE & CAKE
AVAILABLE

THANK YOU!



Thank you so much for supporting us. Your generosity helps us to continue to give help to the growing numbers of people who are needing to use the Basics Bank, With love from all of us.

Teams4U



Shoe Boxes:- I am collecting things to go into shoe boxes and of completed ones to take to Teams4U; They say on their website "we work in Sierra Leone, Uganda, Romania, and Belarus. As our funding and support continue to grow, this map will expand, embodying our unwavering dedication to making a positive difference in the lives of vulnerable communities worldwide. Join us on this journey of hope, compassion, and lasting change." More information can be found on their website. I have included a list of suggestions for the shoe boxes; more ideas are available online. They ask:- please don't include anything from the 'NO' list. Items should be new, however pre-loved items in good condition are acceptable.

For boys or girls:

Toothbrush and toothpaste, hair accessories/brush, soap and face cloth, stationery and paper, gloves, hat and scarf, new socks/underwear, a soft toy, game, puzzle, small musical instruments, toy vehicles, small ball, sweets (use by date from June), a photo and message from yourself.

The Home box:

Candles, cooking utensils, plastic containers, t-towels, washing up cloths, hairbrush, small toiletries, bowls and cups, small decorations, soap, clothes pegs, headscarves, new socks and underwear, jewellery, new makeup.

NO.... Food (only exception is sweets), medicines, military themed items, anything highly flammable, sharp items, novels. No sanitary items in shoeboxes although they can be sent out separately.

I have a good range of shoe boxes ready to be covered, or I can cover them if you'd like me to. If you have any questions or want a shoe box or two, give me a shout, 07899075133. Thank you in advance for all your support, we did fantastically well last year, and the Rev. Gill Bailey of Milton URC Portsmouth is looking forward to receiving more this year.

Audrey



The Prayer Tree

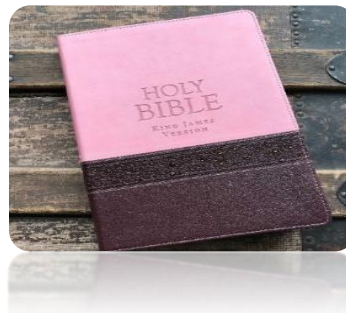
The Prayer Tree is in the Welcome Area. Anyone who would like the Prayer Circle to pray for them, or others, please write your request on a leaf and hang it on the tree. These will be collected each month when the group meets.



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.

06 th November	Jill
04 th December	Revd. Pauline



THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY GROUP

The Thursday morning bible study which meets at 10:00 am in the snug will be on the second Thursday of the month.

We will be looking at Elisabeth starting our New Testament study.

I know this may be awkward for some but if you join us, it would be great to see you.

We're a friendly bunch.

Blessings Audrey



HARVEST FESTIVAL PICTURES.

The display at the front was amazing.

Food donations were delivered to the Basics Bank and toiletries were given to St Faith's Hub in Gosport.

Once again Fareham Methodist Church folk were very generous.





Used Stamps for Charity.

Thank you all so much for all the used stamps you have given this last year. In August, we sorted them and sent them to the IBRA - International Bible Reading Association. Thanks to you it was a huge parcel.

The box for the used stamps is down the corridor, on the left-hand side. Please keep collecting them for this very worth-while cause.

Many, many thanks, Jill.





Why do programmes close?

Recently Terracycle closed the Flash recycling programme. Why?

Terracycle provides the platform for brands to recycle their hard-to-recycle products and packaging. All decisions, including when programmes come to an end, belong to the brand sponsors. Did you know that there are no regulations for manufacturers to offer recycling or other end-of-life solutions for their products or packaging? That's why it's important to let brands know that you value recycling solutions for hard-to-recycle waste!

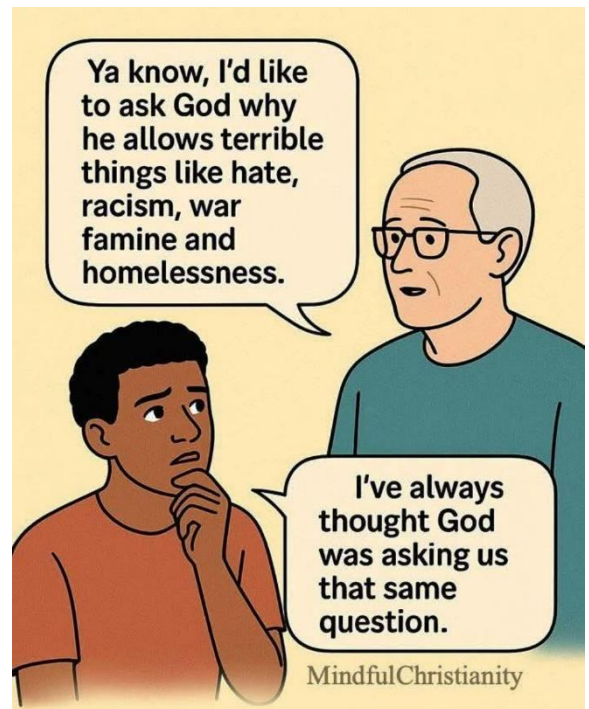
Mission Workshop

There will be a follow up Mission Workshop, facilitated by Rev John Illsley, on Saturday 1st November from 9.30am until 12.00 noon.

Everyone is invited to attend so please put the date in your diary NOW. This is an important meeting where there will be an opportunity to discuss our visions for future mission or to listen to the ideas of other people.

We hope that as many people as possible will attend.

Jean



Vestry jottings

Hello everyone,

I only have a couple of notices.

The Church in the Community meeting needs more people attending and new ideas on how the meeting should happen. What time would suit you for example during daylight hours? Could we have coffee and cakes? Where would you suggest we meet, perhaps in the snug or ...? All suggestions or ideas positive or negative will be greatly received. Shout at me or email at audreyjane191@gmail.com.

It is OUR meeting, help us to make it work better for all of us .

The next Church in the Community meeting is the 12th January 2026 at 7:15 pm. BUT this can be changed.

The next Worship Consultation is booked for January 29th 2026 at 7:30 pm.

The Toy and Gift service will be on the 7th December, keep an eye out for more information.

On the 5th Nov we're having a Craft Day, anyone and everyone new, beginner or experienced crafters are welcome, more Information in the eFocus.



SEPTEMBER MESSY CHURCH GOD'S CREATION

What a fantastic vibe we had at Messy Church this month. Lots of fun and laughter. The theme was Creation, so snakes were created, a wheel showing how God created our world was coloured in. A bug hotel was erected and lots of different fruit were talked about and of course eaten.