

**30th April 2023**

**SUNDAY SERVICE LED BY REV. POOLE AT 10.30 A.M.**

**REVIVAL PRAYER GROUP** Wednesdays at 5pm in person - in the Family Room - a chance to come and pray for the church. A chance for brief worship, prayer and fellowship. All Welcome.

**LITTLE ACORNS** Doors open on Mondays (term time only) at 9.30am for toddlers, young children, parents, carers, grandparents & guardians. For more information contact Julia or Daphne

**NORTHWOOD CRAFT FAIR** in the Church Hall on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> April from 10am – 2pm. Lots of handmade arts, crafts, gift ideas including a plant stall. Discover local and national talent all under one roof. Teas, coffees, refreshments, cake sale, snacks & bites available in the Oasis coffee shop. All welcome.

**MARRIAGE COURSE** The Marriage Sessions is a brilliant way to invest in your relationship. **This online course will be hosted by Tim and Kate Meathrel at Emmanuel Church and will run via zoom from 8.00-9.30pm on Thursday 27th April, 4th, 11th and 18th May.** You can eat beforehand, or plan to have food ready for 8pm, grab a glass of something and sit down, breathe, relax and enjoy some wonderful teaching and opportunity to talk with your spouse. This is the ultimate date night in the comfort of your own home! So why not book up now and take some time to invest in your marriage. The course is suitable for everyone; for those whose marriages are in a great place and for those who are struggling; for those who've been married for 1 year or 50 years. There is always more to learn about our spouse and ways to strengthen our marriages.

The four sessions explore:

- Cherish – the forgotten vow and how to keep your love alive
- Connect – understanding each other and the art of communication
- Collaborate – dealing with pressure points and handling conflict well
- Commit – love is a choice when the going gets tough

To book your space please sign up

here: <https://emmanuelnorthwood.churchsuite.com/events/avsmqbch>

For more information please speak to Tim & Kate or email [tim.meathrel@ecn.org.uk](mailto:tim.meathrel@ecn.org.uk)

**Discovery Group.** From Thursday June 8th Shirley's Discovery Group will meet in the Vestibule 3-4pm during the summer months and continue every two weeks. New friends welcome. The new topic will be 'Parables'.

**MHA Communities West London - previously Northwood Live at Home** in 2023 MHA is celebrating 25 years of a community scheme operating in the Northwood and surrounding areas. MHA nationally are encouraging In June MHA Sunday is on 11 June and the theme this year is "There is one body, but it has many parts. But all its parts make up one body" I Corinthians 12: 12-17. MHA West London helped to profile the importance of younger people and older people enjoying times together and it was filmed at Northwood Methodist church and our members and volunteers featured in an article in the Heart and Soul magazine. Please see link <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rraDjqHwKtc> Resources for MHA Sunday and fundraising are available from MHA website MHA communities West London 01923 842494 Scheme managers Angela Flux & Julie Nevitt

**CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS June 24/25<sup>th</sup>:** There will be two lists to sign in the vestibule to let us know if you are able to attend either or both these events. **Closing date by June 3rd please.**

### **100 YEAR EVENTS-DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

**Church Photograph - we are looking to take a church photograph to go on the wall one Sunday after church - please look out for the date soon.**

**Sunday 7th May - Friends Meeting after morning service**

**Saturday June 24th at 1.00 pm,** BBQ for all church members plus invited guests from amongst those who use our premises.

**Sunday June 25th at 4 pm** Service of Celebration and Thanksgiving for all our church members and their families plus special preachers and invited guests associated with NMC over the years. We hope you will be able to give your support to these events as we celebrate our Centenary.

**Sunday 2nd July at 4pm - Andrew's farewell service (this will be a Circuit Service)**

**Sunday 9th July – Andrew's final service at NMC with Holy Communion**

**FOOD BANK** all donations are welcome in this difficult time. For a list of items needed please speak to Shirley or a church steward. Collection bags/boxes are at the back of the church. Thank you.

**KNIT & NATTER** at Ruislip Manor Methodist Church, Torrington Rd, Ruislip Manor HA4 0AS. First Tuesday of each month, **from 10am-12 noon**

Tea/coffee provided in a warm space. No knitting ability required! Bring your craft with you, if you have some. Nattering optional.

**WELCOMING VERY SOON** our new minister, Audrey Browne who joins NMC in September 2023. Let us keep her in prayers as she prepares to join the church family and serve Northwood and the surrounding areas.

**\*\*\* CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS 2023 \*\*\***

**Year of Reading the Bible Together** – Be encouraged to read the daily readings and together we will complete reading the Bible in 2023!

**DISCOVERY GROUPS** to resume again soon.

- **Andrew's group - @ 7.30pm at Keith's house - discussion based on daily Bible readings (1 year Bible)**
- **Shirley's group - @ 3pm on zoom - Cover to Cover 'Bible Genres'**
- **Daphne/Sue's group - @ 7pm on zoom - Bible Society Course on the Overview of the Bible**

**NEWSLETTER** Please send all newsletter notices by Wednesday 5pm to [jessicaghatora7@gmail.com](mailto:jessicaghatora7@gmail.com) or for those not on email, please **text message or call and leave a message on: 07902-067-946.**

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