



# The Methodist Church

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Easingwold Methodist Church is a Christ-centred community who seek to know and love Him and to make Him known to all. Our Calling is to **Worship** the One God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit: to **grow and develop** as his disciples and to **serve** Him in the local Community and wider world.

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## EXPLORERS' PRAYER

Dear Father God - guide us in our worship,  
help us in our learning, bless us in our daily lives,  
in Jesus' name, Amen

<b>WEEK BEGINNING SUNDAY 10<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2024</b>
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**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> March**

**Mothering Sunday**

10.30am

Holy Communion led by Rev David Bidnell

Stewards: Jocelyn Pearson & Carolyn Hardie-Forsyth

**Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> March**

10.30am

A joint Cafe Service at **Huby**

There is a list in the vestibule for those needing a lift and for those who can offer a lift.

## **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March**

9:00 am      Prayer Meeting in Vestry

### **Other things happening this week**

Monday	11:00 am - 12:30 pm	Singing for All	Lounge
Tuesday	7:30pm - 9:00pm	Easingwold Singers	Hall & Lounge
Wednesday	6:00 pm - 7:30 pm	Brownies	Hall
	7:30 pm - 9:00 pm	Guides	Lounge
Thursday	4:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Charity Meeting	Vestry

### **Action for Children**

Anne has copies of this years "Count Your Blessings" leaflets. It is a daily reminder to us of all that is important in the season of Lent, as well as being an excellent fundraiser for this worthwhile charity. Thanking you in anticipation.

### **Tea and Coffee Rota**

Due to health problems, Doris will not be dealing with the tea and coffee rota for the foreseeable future. Yvonne and Jane have been sorting it out on a temporary basis. However, if anyone would like to be on it or take over the organisation of it, please do say! Our very best wishes to Doris.

### **CRAFT TEA Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March 1.45pm- 4.00pm OPEN TO ALL**

By request we are having another session on cross stitch embroidery. Please bring a needle, scissors and coloured embroidery or cotton thread. Material will be provided, patterns and instructions available too! As always there will be plenty of resources to share. Cost 50p

Come and join us!

Or bring your own project to work on.

Or join us for tea/biscuits and a chat! Cost £1.00.

## **On-Line Advanced Safeguarding Training**

Details of the new dates for on-line advanced safeguarding training are shown on the Circuit newsletter.

These are also shown on the church safeguarding notice board. I have not printed off the details of the in person attendance for this course as they are all being held at some distance from Easingwold, but again these are shown on the circuit newsletter.

*Caroline*

## **Lent Worship Resource - Unbounded Love**

The title is taken from Charles Wesley's well-loved hymn, 'Love divine' (Singing the Faith 503).

Through Lent we will be reflecting together on the transforming power of God's pure and unbounded love. These materials offer an opportunity as a community of faith, nationally and locally, to prepare ourselves for gathered worship throughout Lent, and over the whole of Lent to prepare for Easter.

Lent 4	Finish then thy new creation
	Numbers 21:4-9     John 3:14-21
Lent 5	Changed from glory into glory
	Jeremiah 31:31-34     John 12:20-33

**Notices for week beginning 17<sup>th</sup> March 2024 will be printed slightly earlier**

Please contact Carolyn on 01347 822787 or  
e-mail [carolyn.hardie@gmail.com](mailto:carolyn.hardie@gmail.com) by 8.00pm on Thursday.

## **Together Constantly in Prayer**

We pray for King Charles who is currently in ill-health and receiving treatment. Help him in his recovery and enable him to return to the work he has been called upon to do. We pray also for the Princess of Wales who, like the King, has suffered health issues in recent months. We are reminded that sad and difficult times come to all people. Help us to remember to look to you, Lord, through such times.

We pray for those who are called to serve in the local Community, including local councillors, magistrates, social workers, teachers, lecturers, and administrative staff. Along with King Charles, may they know that in serving others they are serving Him who called them. Amen

## **Mothering Sunday**

At last, in spite of all, a recognition,  
For those who loved and laboured for so long,  
Who brought us, through that labour, to fruition,  
To flourish in the place where we belong.  
Thanks to those who stayed and did the raising,  
Who buckled down, and did the work of two,  
Whom governments have mocked instead of praising,  
Who hid their heart-break and still struggled through,  
The single mothers forced onto the edge  
Whose work the world has overlooked, neglected,  
Invisible to wealth and privilege,  
but in whose lives the kingdom is reflected.  
Now into Christ, our mother church we bring them,  
Who shares with them the birth-pangs of His Kingdom.  
(Malcolm Guite)