



# 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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*You are most welcome to this Church today. Whether you are visiting the area, have recently moved to Easingwold or are worshipping here for the first time, we hope that you feel at home and know God's blessing. We would be very pleased to know who you are, and there are cards available in the chairs in Church for you to complete with your contact details.*

**WEEK BEGINNING 11<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2018**

## Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> February

**10:30am** Songs of Praise led by Mr Ken Hopwood  
Stewards: Jean Gray & Colin Durée

### **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

**3.00pm** Circuit service at Heworth led by Rev Richard Andrew  
A service to celebrate those who are involved in preaching and leading worship in our circuit.

## **Monday 12<sup>th</sup> February**

7:00pm-9:00pm

Church Council Meeting in Chapel

## **Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> February**

10:00am

Midweek service in Vestry

## **Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> February**

2.00pm-4.00pm

Open House this week will be at the Manse with Elizabeth.

## **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February**

8:30am

Prayer Meeting in Vestry

## **Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> February**

2.00pm

'Tickling Talents' at Parish Church

As the Parish Church celebrates 600 years since the present building was completed we are asking you to think about people's talents today. What are you good at? Are you an actor, an artist, a baker, a comedian, a lover of reading aloud, a musician (instrument or vocal)? Consider carefully what you could offer for part of an afternoon's entertainment to raise funds for the church. Everyone is welcome to take part. If you don't feel you can offer your talent, then please come along to support the occasion. Nancy (824227) and Chris (823548) would love to hear from you.

### **Other Church Bookings**

Monday 11:00am - 12:30pm Singing for All in Lounge & Kitchen

Tuesday 10:30am - 12:30pm Well-being Cafe in Hall, Lounge & Kitchen

Tuesday 7:30pm - 9:30pm Easingwold Singers in Hall & Lounge

## **Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> February**

**10:30am**

Morning Worship led by Mrs Gill Mason

Stewards: Daphne Durée & Caroline Wheatley

**3.30pm**

Combined service at Easingwold Parish Church

## **'Exploring Mission' Meeting**

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February 10:00 for 10:30am-12:00 noon in the Vestry.  
Open to everyone. Topic for this session 'How does the Church share the Good News and do Mission?' Some texts we will look at include: Matthew 5:13-16 and John 13:34.

## **“CRAFT – TEA”** Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February 1.45pm-4.00pm

We are having another session on “paper embroidery”.

Please bring scissors, needle, coloured cotton/ embroidery/metallic thread, thin card, sellotape, pencil, pricking tool and an old mouse mat if possible. Templates and other materials will be provided.

Or bring your own project to work on.

Tea and biscuits to be served during the afternoon, please come and join us. Cost 50p. Open to all.

## **Highland Court Fellowship**

There will be no meeting next week during the half- term holiday.

On Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> February we will have our ‘Winter Lunch’

at 2 Highland Court, starting at 12 noon. Please come about 11.30am as we need to plan the Lent lunch for 16<sup>th</sup> March, which we are responsible for. (Come even earlier if you would like to borrow a book from the ‘library’)

## **Oasis Cafe**

Thank you to those of you who joined us in January. Our February Cafe is on Friday February 23<sup>rd</sup> from 9.45 onwards and we will be supporting the "Well-being Cafe" which meets here every Tuesday morning. It provides respite for those with memory loss and their carers. Do come and join us on the 23<sup>rd</sup> in this time of friendship and outreach.

Early notice: the March Oasis (23<sup>rd</sup>) will be a small Fair Trade stall with Easter goodies.

**A memorial service** for Angie Erskine-McCoy will be held on 26<sup>th</sup> February at 2.00pm.

## **Church Membership**

There will be another session on church membership in the near future. If anyone is interested in exploring membership, please speak to Elizabeth.

## **Action for Children**

An advance notice to say I shall be putting a different suggestion in each of the next 6 Sundays during Lent, taken from the 40 printed on the 'Count your Blessings' form. Each will provide information about the work of Action for Children and ideas of how to support their work in monetary terms as a way of doing something useful during Lent, as opposed to giving something up! I can collect your donations weekly or on the last Sunday on March 25<sup>th</sup>.

Trusting in your cooperation, *Anne Hopwood*

## **Flower Rota**

The new flower rota is on the board and Anne will be very grateful to see some names written upon it! Please choose a date which suits you to provide flowers for the sanctuary.

## **Together Constantly in Prayer:**

Please take a moment each morning to join us in prayer.

1. Give thanks to God that despite knowing all about us he still loves us with an unbreakable devotion.
2. At the beginning of Lent let us pray for each other that we might all grow closer to our Lord through this time.

## **Country for prayer: Djibouti**

Population 879000 with 15000 from a Christian heritage.

Djibouti is a poor country but is strategically important and China has its first overseas military base there since last year. There is a degree of religious freedom with some Christian churches being allowed but some would like to end this. Pray that the Christians would continue to be free to worship and that others may find faith and join them.

## **Notices for week beginning 18<sup>th</sup> February 2018:**

Please contact Carolyn on 01347 822787 or e-mail [carolyn.hardie@gmail.com](mailto:carolyn.hardie@gmail.com) or leave a notice in the vestry drawer by 11.00am on Friday.