



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.

Minister: Rev Elizabeth Cushion (01347) 821460
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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 1ST APRIL 2018

Sunday 1st April Easter Day

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| 8.00am | Holy Communion led by Rev Elizabeth Cushion
Stewards: Chris & David Andrews |
| 9.00am | Easter Breakfast |
| 10:30am | Family Communion led by Rev Elizabeth Cushion
Stewards: Jocelyn Pearson & Ken Hopwood |
| 6.30pm | Combined service at Easingwold Parish Church |

Monday 2nd April

2.00pm-4.00pm

Easter Monday

Cream Teas at Stillington Methodist Church.

Come along for a cream tea served by members of churches in Stillington for £3.

Friday 6th April

8:30am

Prayer Meeting in Vestry

2.00pm-4.00pm

Open House at Aubrey's home, 5 Millfield Rise_

For Other Church Bookings see the calendar in the vestibule

Sunday 8th April

10:30am

Morning Worship led by Mrs Mo Onyett

Stewards: Jean Gray & Daphne Durée

3.00pm

Easter Songs of Praise at Springhill Court

The chapel premises will be locked from 4.00pm on Thursday 29th March and will reopen on Monday morning, 9th April to facilitate the Easter break.

The funeral service for Mr Roy Crackles has been postponed until Wednesday 18th April at 11.00am

Weekly Offering Scheme

Boxes of envelopes are ready for collection from the pew in the vestibule.

Carecent Box

The Carecent box will be in the Lounge on Sunday mornings, starting next week. If you are having a wardrobe revamp and have any suitable clothing place them in the box and Tom & Carolyn will deliver them on a regular basis.

Suggested items:

Gents' socks, mens & ladies underwear (new / nearly new)

Jeans / casual trousers (in sizes 30", 32" and 34")

Gents' clothes (fleeces / jumpers / t-shirts)

Hats, gloves

Message from the Minister

There is a song which begins 'What a difference a day makes'. How true that was for the disciples that first Easter. During Holy Week we follow Jesus from entering Jerusalem to the cheers of the crowds, through His arrest, trial, crucifixion and death, to the glory of Easter morning when He rose again. Such defeat, sorrow and joy all in one week. At the crucifixion, Jesus' followers were overcome with fear and despair. But days later, their grief had turned to joy. The resurrection made all the difference.

Easter brings together themes of love, joy, peace and hope. On the cross we see the supreme act of love as Jesus laid down His life. At the resurrection comes amazing joy that Jesus is alive. The risen Jesus met with His disciples and spoke peace into their troubled hearts. And with the resurrection comes hope; hope for today and hope for the future. There is the saying 'where there's life there's hope', but I prefer to say 'where there's Christ there's hope', for Jesus defeated even death so that we could share eternity with Him.

As we celebrate Easter, may we know the presence of the risen Christ with us. In troubled times and in joy, we have hope, for the resurrection makes all the difference.

Kim Gabbatiss (Extract from letter)

Dear Friends

It is with great joy that I can now share with you the outcome of the Connexional Selection Committee's decision, to accept me for training in Diaconal Ministry with the Methodist Church. Thank you so much for your love, support and prayers.

Please continue to hold Brian and me in your prayers, as there are still decisions to be made regarding the training path With grateful thanks to you for being such a special part in my journey.

Much love, *Kim and Brian*

Methodist Women in Britain - Quiet Day

A warm invitation to 'Called to Proclaim': Creativity and Prayer

Quiet Day led by Mother Joanna Jamieson

Stanbrook Abbey, Wass, Wednesday 18th April from 10.00am.

Coffee from 10.00am. Bring & share lunch. All welcome

Circuit Pilgrimage

Keith Albans, our Circuit Superintendent, is planning a pilgrimage around the circuit. He would like to visit different churches to meet with people for coffee and conversation, thinking about their hopes and concerns for the church. He is coming to Easingwold on Monday 9th April at 5.30pm for about 45 minutes. Everyone is welcome to come and share thoughts and fellowship.

“Out & About” with EDCCA this week - to book a place call 01347 822598
Thursday 5th April. Trip to Northallerton
Depart Easingwold at 10.30am. Cost - £5

BBC One's the Big Questions

Broadcasting from Manor CE School, on Sunday 8th April 2018

The topical ethical debate show is now looking for audience members for series eleven and would like to invite you to be part of the audience.

It is hosted by Nicky Campbell and airs on Sunday mornings from 10am-11am.

The show addresses tricky moral questions facing the nation today, consulting front row experts and a select studio audience. If you'd like a seat in either of the audiences, please contact the casting team, making sure to leave a contact phone number. You can reach the casting team on audiencetbq@mentorn.tv.

Together Constantly in Prayer:

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

1. Give thanks to our Lord who always hears us when we cry out to him in joy or in sadness.
2. Pray for those attending and running the youth club which meets in the old COZIE building.

Country for prayer: Macedonia

Population 2 million with about 1.3 million from a Christian heritage.

Macedonia is a poor country with high unemployment and many emigrating

to find a better life. It struggles with ethnic divisions and sometimes unhelpful influences from neighbouring countries. Pray for the government that they may find a way to unite the divided communities and build a successful nation.

Notices for week beginning 8th April 2018:

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