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 Senior Steward: Jocelyn Pearson (01347) 822159

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 13TH MAY 2018

Sunday 13th May

10:30am Holy Communion led by Rev Elizabeth Cushion

Stewards: Colin Durée & Ken Hopwood

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

6.30pm Evening Worship led by Rev Elizabeth Cushion Stewards: Colin Durée & Carolyn Hardie-Forsyth

Monday 14th May

<u>7 for 7:30pm</u> Stonefield Avenue Home Group meets. We will be looking at Acts chapter 2.

Tuesday 15th May

2.00pm-4.00pm Open House with Yvonne & David at 2 Rowan Avenue (up on Claypenny).

Wednesday 16th May

<u>1.45pm-4.00pm</u> "**CRAFT – TEA**" Open To All

An opportunity to make small boxes from thin card. Please bring thin card, old Christmas/greetings cards, ruler, pencil, scissors, glue stick. Small pieces of wrapping paper for decoration. Materials will be provided too.

Or bring your own project to work on. Tea and biscuits to be served during the afternoon. Please come and join us. Cost 50p.

Thursday 17th May

10.00am Highland Court Fellowship group will meet at the Sootherans' home (Corner Cottage, Stillington). This will be an opportunity to relax and chat, possibly sharing any experiences you have had where God's timing has been very evident. We will also discuss dates for studies on Jonah and our Summer Communion and lunch. If you can offer lifts, please contact those you know who may need one. (or vice versa!)

10.30am-12.30pm Pray Walking in Easingwold A chance to pray for the local community, its residents, businesses and organisations, where they are as part of our Mission. We will meet at the Vestry for a briefing and prayer for ourselves before we go. This will be a fairly discreet activity and you will not have to pray out loud in the streets if you are not comfortable with that. Afterwards we can share a packed lunch if you want to bring one and stay.

7.00pm Reading of Mark's Gospel at Parish Church

Part of the Church of England's "Thy Kingdom Come" for the period from Ascension Day to Pentecost. If any of our congregation would like to go to this, they would be very welcome. If anyone wants to volunteer to read a passage then they would be much appreciated too.

Friday 18th May

8:30am Prayer Meeting in Vestry
9.00am-12 noon Christian Aid street collection

Other Church Bookings

Monday	11:00 - 12:30	Singing for All - Lounge & Kitchen
-	18:00 - 19:30	1st Brownies - Hall
	19:30 - 21:00	Neighbourhood Watch Meeting - Lounge & Kitchen
Tuesday	10:30 - 12:30	Well-Being Cafe - Hall, Lounge & Kitchen
-	14:15 - 16:30	U3A - Chapel, Lounge, Hall & Kitchen
	19:30 - 21:30	Easingwold Singers - Hall, Lounge & Kitchen
Wednesday	09:15 - 11:45	Talking Tots – Lounge
	18:30 - 20:00	3rd Brownies - Hall
	19:30 - 21:00	Laura's Group – Hall
Thursday	18:30 - 20:00	Claire's Group - Hall
	20:00 - 21:30	Anne's Group - Lounge
Friday	18:00 - 22:00	Alne Hall Annual Quiz - Lounge & Kitchen

Sunday 20th May

10:30am Morning Worship led by Mr Andy Skitt

Stewards: Jocelyn Pearson & Daphne Durée

6.30pm United Service at Easingwold Parish Church

Christian Aid

Along with most other charities, Christian Aid will not be doing door-to-door collections this year. So that people have opportunities to give during, or just after, CA week, there will be a street collection on Friday, 18 May and the Oasis coffee morning on Friday, 25th May, will be in aid of Christian Aid. Envelopes will be available at both these events so that people can gift-aid their offerings if they wish.

If you could spend an hour with a collecting tin on 18th May (anytime between 9 am and 12 noon) please tell Pam as soon as possible. (822357). Many thanks!

Alne Hall Quiz

There will be a quiz in the Lounge on Friday, 18th May in aid of Alne Hall Residents. It starts at 7.00pm – ignore the poster – and the price is £4.50 per head to include a light supper and a lucky ticket entry. Tickets may be bought from Annita or at the door. It is always a fun evening and I promise there will be nothing on television soaps or pop music. There is a sports round but not about football, cricket or any other minority sport. I hope all the rounds will be accessible to everyone as we are not in the business of making you feel stupid. Please support this worthy cause as, with every charity, funds are desperately needed. Hope to see you there.

The Easingwold Singers are looking forward to performing Haydn's "Creation" at St John the Baptist & All Saints Church on Saturday 19th May at 7.30 pm especially in the year that the church celebrates 600 years of the church building. Tickets £10 each are available from Tempo & Williamsons Estate Agents, Easingwold, at the door on the night or from Richard Hancock.

Oasis Cafe - Friday, May 25th 9.45am onwards

In May we traditionally support CHRISTIAN AID, and this year the need is greater than ever as we are not able to do our house-to-house collections as before. Do support this morning for friendship and outreach, and all profits and donations will go to this excellent charity.

'Thy Kingdom Come' is an ecumenical initiative inviting people to pray for others to come to Christ specifically between Ascension and Pentecost. Packages with booklets and information are available on the table in the foyer for anyone who is interested. There is also a poster with events at Central Methodist Church on the notice board.

Together Constantly in Prayer:

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

- **1.** Thank God for his word to us in the bible and that we are free to read it and meditate on it daily.
- **2.** Pray for someone you know who is not a Christian that they might find faith in Christ who died to save them.

Country for prayer: Tajikistan

Population 7.1 million with around 100 000 from a Christian Heritage Tajikistan is a troubled country following a civil war which lasted from the end of the USSR until 1997. 83% of population are below the poverty line. Pray for effective relief and development work and for sensitive Christian ministry to address both social and spiritual needs.

Notices for week beginning 20th May 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.