



# 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.

Senior Steward &

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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

### WEEK BEGINNING SUNDAY 24<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2024

#### Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March

#### Palm Sunday

10.30am Morning Worship led by Mrs Elaine Thompson

Stewards: Jean Gray & Caroline Wheatley

#### Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> March

#### Easter Sunday

7.30am Sunrise service around the Cross in Market Place

8.30am Easter Breakfast

10.00am Communion Service led by Rev David Bidnell

Stewards: Helena Papps & and Jean Gray

## **Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March**

7.30pm **Riding Lights performance of The Narrow Road**  
at the Galtres Centre.

## **Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March**

### **Maundy Thursday Service**

Choose from:

- 6.00pm Clifton Methodist church - Tenebrae Service with communion and light meal led by Rev Andrew Foster. Numbers are needed for catering and seating, so please contact Frances Postlethwaite francespos@hotmail.co.uk 01904 690215 or Evelyn Wood [eviewoody@talktalk.net](mailto:eviewoody@talktalk.net).
- 7.00pm Stillington Parish Church
- 7.30 pm Easingwold Parish Church - Eucharist Service with stripping of the Altar

## **Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March**

10.00am Good Friday service led by Mr Brian Taylor.

Stewards: Jocelyn Pearson & Jean Gray

11.00am Ecumenical Good Friday Witness in Market Place

## **Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> March**

10.00am **Decorating the crosses ready for Easter Sunday**  
will take place in the schoolroom. The flowers will be there, but cypress foliage or similar and a pair of scissors is all you need to bring. A cup of coffee will be offered!

*Anne H & Sue Gill*

## **Easter Breakfast - 8.30am on Easter Day**

Everyone is warmly invited to Our Easter Breakfast.

This is followed at **10.00am** by our Communion Service.

If you wish to have breakfast we need numbers by Palm Sunday (March 24<sup>th</sup>) at the latest. A list is on the board in the vestibule for you to sign, or just give your details to any of the Stewards.

There will be a basket for donations to St. Leonards Hospice.

## Other things happening this week

Tuesday	11:00 am - 12:00 pm	Charity Meeting	Vestry
	7:30pm - 9:00pm	Easingwold Singers	Hall & Lounge

## Lent Worship Resource - Unbounded Love

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

Throughout Lent we have been reflecting together on the transforming power of God's pure and unbounded love.

Lent 6            Till we cast our crowns before thee  
                    Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29        Mark 11:1-11

Holy Week    Lost in wonder, love and praise!

## Action for Children

As we are now approaching Easter, Anne would much appreciate the monies people have been accruing through "Count Your Blessings" to be given to her as soon as is convenient to allow her to send it to headquarters. Either cash or cheques (made payable to 'Action for Children') can be given, so I thank you all in anticipation.

## Villages Together Methodist Church

### Cream Teas in Huby - Monday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2-4pm

Look for the monkey puzzle tree to find the chapel  
We may have changed venue, from Stillington, but the warm welcome and conversation will be the same as always.  
Do come and join us.

## Trip to Iona - 28<sup>th</sup> June-6<sup>th</sup> July

The Parish Church have organised this trip, staying in the Bishop's House. One place remains available so if you are interested, please contact Ruth Duck or Nancy Kilburn.

## Notices for week beginning 31st March 2024

Please contact Carolyn on 01347 822787 or  
e-mail [carolyn.hardie@gmail.com](mailto:carolyn.hardie@gmail.com) by 11.00am on Friday.

## Together Constantly in Prayer

Lord, on this Psalm Sunday we read of the joy shared by your disciples and followers as you came towards Jerusalem. It is a joy that all who follow you will never lose. Thank you for sending your Holy Spirit to teach, help and guide us through this ever changing world. May our witness burn as bright as when we first believed. Glory, honour and praise is what we lay at your feet, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty. Amen

The cares of the world are ever in our thoughts and so we bring before God;

Those caught up in conflict and war. The poor and the needy.

The refugees who have no home to call their own.

We think especially of the people of Sudan caught up in a civil war which UN officials have stated could trigger the world's worst hunger crisis ever. Lord in your mercy, hear our prayers.

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Let us find a new song to sing.....telling of the one who transforms...water into wine,....one lad's picnic into a feast for thousands,...fear into courage,....death to new life. Let's sing a new song of Jesus turning everything upside down, of God's Kingdom coming on earth as it is in heaven. What new song is God stirring in us? (Methodists online)

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When we pray, God hears more than we say, answers more than we ask, gives more than we imagine - in His own time and in His own way. (Nicky Gumbel)

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When everything is going against you, remember that the aeroplane takes off against the wind, not with it. (Nicky Gumbel)

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We pray for Catherine Princess of Wales, King Charles and others known to us who have recently undergone, or are undergoing treatment for cancer.

Help us to remember to look to you, Lord, through such times.