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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WEEK BEGINNING SUNDAY 31st AUGUST 2025

Sunday 31st August

10.30am Morning Worship led by Rev Andrew Foster
Stewards: Helena Papps & Robert Farmer

Sunday 7th September

10.30am Circuit We

Circuit Welcome Service at Huntington Methodist Church

Welcome to our new ministers:

- Revd Jill Pullan
- Revd Alex Middleton-Laing
- Deacon Kate Paterson

We look forward to joining together in worship, either on site or online https://youtube.com/live/20BpLCAd_8E
Sign up if you need / can offer a lift

Tuesday 2nd September

7:30pm - 9:30pm Easingwold Singers in Hall

Wednesday 3rd September

Community Bible Study starts in Kurt's Bar, 9:30am

> Galtres Centre. This year, over 30 weeks, we will be studying Deuteronomy, Galatians and Ephesians. For further information please contact Sally

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Friday 5th September

9:00am - 9:30am Prayer Meeting in Vestry

Saturday 6th September

10.00am-12.00noon An opportunity for you to meet our new minister, Alex Middleton-Laing. Pop into church refreshments will be provided.

Craft Tea Finale

We had a very happy and successful afternoon in July making origami notebooks and book marks! That has marked our last meeting as after nearly eleven years it has been my decision to call a halt. We have tackled a multitude of craft activities for ourselves, gifts for friends, greetings cards and projects for Easingwold and District Community Care Association and the Food Share at Haxby. We have always enjoyed tea and biscuits and chat half way through. The last meeting culminated in the sharing of a very large and very well decorated chocolate cake with our cups of tea! Hopefully some of the ideas can be carried out at home to continue out Craft Tea sessions projects. It has been a great gathering of ladies from our local community over many years.

Grateful thanks also go to David. We couldn't have done it without him, from setting up tables and chairs and making bits and pieces for our projects!

Thank you everyone for being part of our Craft Tea group! Chris

Message from David Bidnell

"I am very grateful to you all at Easingwold for your kind gift and for being part of my life and work over the last few years ... I look forward to hearing from time to time how life is progressing for you all. With best wishes, David"

Easingwold International Festival (13th & 14th September)

Organised by the Community Library, the International Festival seeks to celebrate, welcome and share aspects of the different cultures surrounding us. It will be a wonderful chance to see and hear stories, music, dance and other live performances by artists from various heritages and backgrounds.

All of the events are free to attend.

See posters around the town (including in the foyer at church) or pop into the library for more details.

African Dance – 13th September, 10.30 pm-12 noon (EMC)
 A performance of Nigerian Edo Dance and Music, plus an art demonstration, will be held in EMC hall & lounge as part of the festival.

All welcome (adults and children). Free

Ecumenical Priory Garden Service organised by CTAE

Sunday 14th September at 3.00pm Speaker: Rev Alex Middleton-Laing

Come and Enjoy Singing our Faith – Friday 19th September Do you enjoy singing (old and new hymns), together with good fellowship and food?

Come along to the next Methodist Women in Britain meeting on Friday 19 September at Haxby Methodist Church between 10.00am and 3.00 pm.

We shall be meeting in the in the church/sanctuary area and have a bring-and-share lunch and refreshments in the Mountain Room.

Save the Date: Wednesday 24th September

The social committee has organised a visit to see the Stamford Bridge Battle Tapestry, which is in the style of The Bayeux Tapestry. There will also be a short talk about the battle of Stamford Bridge and how the tapestry came about. The embroidery was created by a group of volunteer stitchers to commemorate the battle. It comes highly recommended by people who have already seen it and say, 'It's not to be missed!' The visit is restricted to 20 people so it's first come first served. A charge of £7 per person includes tea & cake!

A list will be in the vestibule for those coming, and for lift shares.

Together Constantly in Prayer

The world is hanging by a thread; That thread is prayer, which links the world with God.

(Peter Dainty)

Lord God, we praise you for your light which brings warmth and illumination into our lives. We praise you for your power which holds our world and other planets in space. For the mountains and the restless sea. We praise you for your truth, which inspires us to greater things. For every prophet and saint who stirred our mind or pierced our heart. Lord, we praise you for your love which you brought with sacrifice. Most amazing is your love. We thank you. Amen

(adapted from a poem by Peter Dainty)

Even Christ pleased not Himself (Romans Ch15 vs3) When we pray because we feel like it, we are pleasing ourselves..... but when we pray not feeling like it, we bring God not only the content of our prayer, but a disciplined spirit. We have kept our appointment with Him against inclination. We have displeased ourselves in order to please Him and his pleasure is real indeed.

(Dr W. E. Sangster)

Notices for week beginning 14th **September 2025:** Please contact Carolyn on 01347 822787 or e-mail carolyn.hardie@gmail.com by 11.00am on Friday