



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 7th APRIL 2024

Sunday 7th April

10.30am Sunday Worship led by Mrs Alyson Christy
Stewards: Jocelyn Pearson & Carolyn Hardie-Forsyth

3.00pm Easter Songs of Praise at Springhill Court.
Methodist led this time. All are most welcome.

Sunday 14th April

10.30am Sunday Worship led by Mr Brian Taylor
Stewards: Jocelyn Pearson & Carolyn Hardie-Forsyth

Monday 8th April Work on replacing the roof above the toilets and vestibule begins and is expected to last for about one week. Apologies in advance for any noise and disturbance.

Wednesday 10th April

10.30am **Pam's Housegroup** will meet for coffee and chat at Helen's home - 20 Whiteoak Avenue.
Past, present and new members welcome.

Friday 12th April

9:00 am No Prayer Meeting

Saturday 13th April

8:45 am Churches Together prayer meeting at MCAT

Other things happening this week

Monday	11:00 am - 12:30 pm	Singing for All	Lounge
Tuesday	7:30pm - 9:00pm	Easingwold Singers	Hall & Lounge
Wednesday	6:00 pm - 7:30 pm	Brownies	Hall
	7:30 pm - 9:00 pm	Guides	Lounge

Easter Breakfast

A wonderful time of fellowship was enjoyed last Sunday. Thank you to all those who organized it with an hour's less sleep beforehand. A total of £100 was raised for St Leonard's Hospice.

CRAFT TEA Wednesday 17th April 1.45pm-4.00pm

An opportunity to make a very simple "note book"; and a concertina note book. Please bring scissors, pencil, ruler and a glue stick. Plus 2 pieces of thick card (2 A4 size pieces of cereal cardboard stuck together - will be enough to make a front and back - and could save time!) 2 sheets, A4 size, of thin card or paper, some fancy wrapping paper again A4 size.

Instructions and help will be available. As always there will be plenty of paper, card and wrapping paper to share. Cost 50p
Come and join us!

Or bring your own project to work on.

Or join us for tea/biscuits and a chat! Cost £1.00.

Property maintenance work

Monday 22nd April - work on replacing windows in church and vestry areas begins and is expected to take 3 days.

Easingwold and Circuit Staffing

Many of you will already be aware that there will be some changes to staff responsibilities in the circuit from September, with Andy Lindley and Louisa Taylor moving on.

These changes will be as follows:

Judith Stoddart is to have responsibility at Central and Southlands.

John Hayward is to have responsibility at Acomb.

David Bidnell is to have responsibility at West Thorpe.

The circuit stewards have also agreed to a request from Alyson Christy for a reduction in hours. This means that she will continue at Heworth, but relinquish her role at Easingwold from 1st May 2024.

We will be very sad to lose Alyson from Easingwold and will miss her contribution. We are very grateful for all that she has done over the last couple of years. All this means that from 1st May I shall be taking up pastoral oversight of Easingwold, facilitated to some extent by ceasing my role at Central from September. I look forward to continuing to be among you, to working with you, and to seeing what the future holds.

With my best wishes to you all.

David

Thursday 2 May – Council Elections

Please note that the church building (not including Live Wires nursery) will be closed to all on Thursday 2 May. This is because our premises are being used for the Local Council elections. No one, other than Council staff and members of the public when they vote, will be permitted on the premises.

Thank you,

Michèle H (Room Bookings Administrator)

Carolyn is taking a break

Next week's notice-sheet will cover two weeks so if you have anything for the following fortnight please contact Carolyn on 01347 822787 or e-mail carolyn.hardie@gmail.com by 11.00am on Friday.

Together Constantly in Prayer

The 2nd to the 8th of April is World Autism Acceptance week. Lord, we pray that all people should feel accepted just the way they are. May we become continually more enlightened to help people live life in the way they are able and to be given the right help and support.

The 8th of April is remembered as the Day of Annunciation, when the Angel Gabriel told Mary that she would become pregnant and give birth to the Saviour. For all those who have received news of forthcoming parenthood and for all new parents, we pray that they may find the help and support that they need to nurture the little ones entrusted to them.

We pray for the people of Taiwan after the earthquake that has hit their country. Lord, help all those involved in the rescue of the people trapped in the debris and in the aftermath.

Fear tells you, you will not be able to cope.

Faith tells you that your Father in heaven knows when you will need strength to cope and He will supply all you need just in time.

(Nicky Gumbel whose wife battled cancer in 2019)

It was one of those March days when the sun shines hot
and the wind blows cold:

When it is summer in the light,
and winter in the shade

(Charles Dickens) Early weatherman!

