



# EASINGWOLD METHODIST CHURCH

**Chapel Street, Easingwold, York. YO61 3AE**  
**[www.easingwoldmethodists.org.uk](http://www.easingwoldmethodists.org.uk)**

**‘Sharing God’s love in the heart of our community’**

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**Senior Steward &**

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<b>WEEK BEGINNING SUNDAY 7<sup>th</sup> December 2025</b>
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## **Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> December**

10.30 am Morning Worship at Huby  
led by Rev Alex Middleton-Laing  
Sign up if you need / can offer a lift

## **Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> December**

10.30 am Holy Communion led by Rev Alex Middleton-Laing  
Stewards: Jocelyn Pearson & Maggie Wilson

**6.30 pm Celebrate Christmas** with Jubilate Ladies’ Choir  
in the Chapel.  
Tickets: £12 each - available on the door or in  
advance on 07964 841511.

## **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December**

10:00am- 11:00am Worship Group in Lounge

## **Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December**

11.00am **Blue Christmas Comforting Service** in the Lounge for those who may find Christmas difficult.  
Led by Rev Alex.

## **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December**

11:00am - 11:30am Churches Together Crib Service on the Green, Market Place

2:00pm - 3:00pm Funeral service for Mr William Wheldon.

## **Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> December**

9:00am - 10:00am Churches Together prayer meeting in Vestry  
A monthly opportunity for Christians from around Easingwold to meet and pray together.

## **Other things happening this week**

Tues	10:00am-12:00pm	Little Fishes	Chapel, Hall & Lounge
	3:30 pm - 6:00 pm	After-School Club	Hall
	8:00pm- 9:30pm	Jubilate Rehearsal	Chapel
Wed	3:30 pm - 6:00 pm	After-School Club	Hall
Thurs	3:00pm-4:00pm	Charity Meeting	Vestry
	3:30 pm - 6:00 pm	After-School Club	Hall
Fri	8:00am -11:00am	Fire alarm testing	Whole building

**The Christmas card tree** is now ready to receive cards for our church family.

Donations received will be given to EDCCA this year.

## **Children in Need**

At Kay's Coffee and Cake Morning on 14<sup>th</sup> November £892.20 was raised for Children in Need. Thank you everyone.

## **We Have a New Website!**

Yes, it's finally here, after many promises and hours of labour (including all that photography!), our new website is officially here and live to the world. The website address remains the same: [www.easingwoldmethodists.org.uk](http://www.easingwoldmethodists.org.uk), but the whole look is very different, and incorporates our new logo and strapline. When you have a chance, and access to the internet, why not take a look. It may take a while to locate things, but the Calendar is still there, as are such things as access to weekly noticesheets, other publications and recordings of past sermons. There is also quite a bit of new information that will hopefully be of interest.

However, please note that it remains a 'work in progress'. There may be some gremlins and it still needs additional material adding – but it's a start.

## **EMC Administrator – Job Vacancy**

If you know of anyone who may be interested in this position at our church, please pass on the details. A copy of the full advertisement can be found on the church's website ([www.easingwoldmethodists.org.uk](http://www.easingwoldmethodists.org.uk)), in the foyer, on the outside noticeboard and in other places around the town. It will also appear in the Easingwold Advertiser before, over and after the Christmas period. Thank you.

## **Christmas services 2025 for Easingwold and Villages Together Methodist Churches.**

14th December Carol service at Springhill Court 3pm

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21st December Carol service at Easingwold Methodist Church 10.30am, with Villages Together Methodist Church joining.

24th December Christmas Eve service at Villages Together Methodist Church, Huby 6pm, with Easingwold Methodist Church joining.

25th December Christmas Day service at Easingwold Methodist Church 10.30am, with Villages Together Methodist Church joining.

## **Save the Date**

Following the success of the visit by actor and storyteller Chris Cade earlier this year, the Social Committee have arranged another visit for Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2026. Admission price will be £5 (children free). Tea and cake will be provided.

## **Together Constantly in Prayer**

2nd Sunday in Advent

‘A descendent of Jesse will usher in a time of peace. The Messiah will bring justice and peace to the nations’.

Dear Lord, help us to become instruments of peace in the home and in the world. We ask to receive the peace of your Holy Spirit throughout the week and especially today as we pray together with the church family. Help us to make room in our hearts; help us to clear out all that is not from You, so that the Holy Spirit may fill us with the fruits of eternal life and happiness. Let Your peace fill our hearts and minds; let your peace inform our words, actions, and attitudes.

Amen

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Why do we light candles in Advent?

Advent is a time of preparation as we approach the birth of Jesus. Each week of Advent, we light the next candle in the Advent wreath, reflecting on our journey through the season and praying together until Jesus is born - a bit like the church's version of an Advent calendar.

On Christmas morning we light the middle candle, as we celebrate the light of the world being with us.

The candles are arranged in a ring of evergreen leaves, reminding us of God's everlasting love and gifts.  
(The Methodist Church online)

<b>Notices for week beginning 14<sup>th</sup> December 2025:</b> Please contact Carolyn on 01347 822787 or e-mail <a href="mailto:carolyn.hardie@gmail.com">carolyn.hardie@gmail.com</a> by 11.00am on Friday.
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