

# Eynsham Baptist Church

May 2019



**SUNDAY MORNINGS:** All are welcome at pre-service prayers 10 - 10.15 a.m.  
Services include Creche & Junior Church.

**HC** = Holy Communion    **FHC** = Family Holy Communion (creche have own activities)

<u>DATE</u>	<u>SUNDAY THEME: "Christ is Risen! Hallelujah!" ... He is Risen! So What?"</u>	<u>LEADER</u>
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	12 noon Communion	
<b>SUNDAY 5<sup>TH</sup></b> 10.30 a.m.	By believing, Peter. Just believe. <i>John 21: 15-25</i>	Revd Richard Crippen
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup>	12 noon Communion	
<b>SUNDAY 12<sup>th</sup></b> <b>HC</b> 10.30 a.m.  3.00 p.m.	I've got a feeling we're not in Kansas anymore <i>Luke 24: 13-35</i>  SONGS OF PRAISE - Café Style <i>'Work/Labour'</i>	Mrs Maureen Thompson
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup>	12 noon Communion	
<b>SUNDAY 19<sup>th</sup></b> 10.30 a.m.  3.00 p.m.	Less perfection. More authenticity. <i>John 20: 24-31</i>  Sundaes @ 3	Revd Malcolm Cook
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	12 noon Communion	
<b>SUNDAY 26<sup>th</sup></b> <b>FHC</b> 10.30 a.m.	There is a long road to heaven <i>Acts 1: 1-11</i>	Revd Zoltan Biro
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup>	12 noon Communion	

### **THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH**

contributed by Denise Launchbury

"You may feel you don't have enough faith to pray but if you have even the faintest inkling that someone might be listening, that's all it takes. If you have enough faith to ask for more faith, your faith isn't so small after all."

*'Anyone who comes to God must believe that he is real and that he rewards those who truly want to find him.'*

*Hebrews 11:6*

## **STUDY GROUPS**

Several **HOME STUDY GROUPS** meet regularly in various homes. To find a group to join please speak to Maureen.

**SOUP & STUDY** meets at 1.00 p.m. on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays of the month in our main hall. Zoltan leads this relaxed, informal time together to study the Bible after a soup lunch. Further information from Zoltan or Maureen.

## **FOOD BANK**

Collection points are Derek's Traidcraft stall, or the CO-OP. Donations go to the North Oxfordshire Food Bank whose area includes Eynsham. **All need to have at least 6 months to run on the 'use by date'.**

## **ASYLUM WELCOME**

There is a box at the back of the church for donated items: see Marcus Thompson for more details or see [www.asylum-welcome.org](http://www.asylum-welcome.org)

### **Thursday BMS COFFEE MORNING & TRAIDCRAFT STALL**

**2<sup>nd</sup> May** 10 - 11.15 a.m. in our main hall. Tea/coffee, cake and sales table raising money for BMS. Fairtrade goods and cards, plus local free-range eggs.

### **Thursday DEACONS MEETING**

**2<sup>nd</sup> May** 7.30 p.m. Please pray for our Minister and Deacons as they seek God's leading for the church.

### **Thursday TRAIDCRAFT STALL**

**9<sup>th</sup> May** 9.45 a.m. - 11.15 a.m. in our main hall: Fairtrade goods and cards, plus local free-range eggs, and sales table in aid of Eynsham Day Centre.

### **Sunday GATEHOUSE**

**12<sup>th</sup> May** Helping to support Oxford's homeless shelter with sandwiches, fruit and cake (preferably home-made). Please indicate sandwich content (cheese, egg, tuna or ham are very welcome), date prepared and maker's name. Home-made cakes need to be labelled showing any possible allergens. *More details from Raymond and Revel Elliot on 881346.*

**Thursday TRAIDCRAFT STALL**

**16<sup>th</sup> May** 9.45 a.m. - 11.15 a.m. in our middle hall: Fairtrade goods and cards, plus local free-range eggs, and sales table in aid of Eynsham Day Centre.

**Thursday LUNCH CLUB**

**16<sup>th</sup> May** 1.00 p.m. To book your place please speak to Pamela Thiele or Maureen Thompson.

**Saturday CHRISTIAN AID EVENT**

**18<sup>th</sup> May** 9.30 a.m. to 12 noon in St Leonard's church hall.

Gerry Shaw at St Peter's, Eynsham writes:

**“Christian Aid is changing!** Christian Aid Week this year is May 12 - 18th. There has been much discussion since last year about the house-to-house collections and other possible ways of raising funds for this very worthy cause.

For this year, there are a number of changes:

- Envelopes will still be distributed to all houses but not necessarily collected - collecting the envelopes as in previous years remains an option but the choice is yours to make.
- There will be a **Celebration of Christian Aid Week in St Leonards Church Hall from 9.30 a.m. to 12 noon on 18<sup>th</sup> May** (tea, coffee & cakes available).
- A note will be sent to all households with the envelopes to inform everybody about this event and that this will provide an opportunity to return the envelope or donate on the day.
- The principle of reaching out to everybody (not only churchgoers) remains a strong principle and the group will monitor this year's results and make recommendations for future years.

I hope that everybody will continue to distribute envelopes and that some of you will be willing to collect them as in previous years.

With many thanks as always for all that you do.”

**Please let Maureen Thompson know if you can help with delivery of EBC's share of envelopes.**



**Saturday  
May 18th**

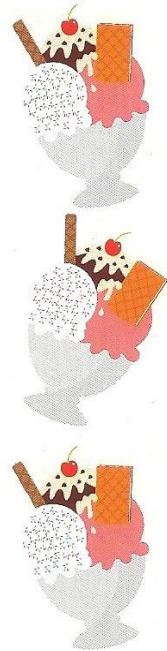
## **JEAN ANDREWS' RETIREMENT**

3.00 p.m. - Invitation from Charlbury Baptist Church

“As you know, our Missioner Jean Andrews will be retiring at Easter. We have set aside Saturday May 18th to serve tea and cakes to anyone who wishes to come and say "Goodbye" to her; it will be a very informal occasion ..... we will need to know numbers as there are not many of us to bake cakes!”

Please sign the list on the coffee table so we can let Charlbury know how many will be attending.

**Sunday  
19th May**



## **SUNDAES@3**

An informal, interactive event,  
giving space to consider some of the  
big questions of life and faith...  
with a cherry on top!

**March 17—SPOT THE MASTERPIECE**

**What's the deal with God and people?**

**May 19—READ ANY GOOD BOOKS LATELY?**

**Is the Bible a good book?**

**July 21—WHAT'S IN IT FOR ME?**

**Is it worth taking Jesus seriously?**

VENUE: EYNHAM BAPTIST CHURCH, LOMBARD STREET  
EVENT FROM 3.00-4.00PM,  
FOLLOWED BY ICE CREAM SUNDAES ON US  
AN INITIATIVE OF EYNHAM BAPTIST CHURCH

Please continue to pray for this new outreach initiative.

**18th - 19th  
May**

## **BAPTIST ASSEMBLY**

at the International Centre, Telford. Marta is going as EBC's Delegate and Zoltan is also attending. We pray they will have a spiritually uplifting and refreshing time.

**Monday  
20th May**

## **COFFEE & CARNATIONS**

We will be going to Milletts Garden Centre. Please sign the list if you need or can offer a lift. We meet in the cafe at 10.30 a.m. **N.B.** this is a week earlier than usual due to the Bank Holiday.

**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May** **TRAIDCRAFT STALL**  
9.45 a.m. - 11.15 a.m. in our main hall: Fairtrade goods and cards, plus local free-range eggs, and sales table in aid of Eynsham Day Centre.

**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> May** **CHURCH MEETING**  
at 12.00 noon. All members are encouraged to attend this important meeting.

**Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> May** **EBC MONTHLY DAY OF PRAYER**  
We are encouraged to pray specifically for EBC at some time during this day.

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9.45 a.m. - 11.15 a.m. in our main hall: Fairtrade goods and cards, plus local free-range eggs, and sales table in aid of Eynsham Day Centre.

**Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> May** **OASIS SPRING TEA**  
2.30 p.m. at EBC in the main hall. A chance for last year's participants at August OASIS to catch up with each other and learn what will be happening this year.

**Most Tuesdays** **THE 114 CLUB**  
7 - 9 p.m. for a sociable evening playing Rummikub, cribbage, etc - see David or Lin for details.

### **FORWARD NOTICES**

**29 July - 2 August** **THE 3 CHURCHES HOLIDAY CLUB**  
9 - 12 noon in St Leonard's Church: 'Adventures in Athens' is for children aged 5 - 11 years. Earlybird discount for registration by 1 July: booking forms can be downloaded via Eynsham Online at [eynsham-pc.gov.uk](http://eynsham-pc.gov.uk)

**27<sup>th</sup>- 29<sup>th</sup> August** **AUGUST OASIS**  
10.15 a.m. - 3.45 p.m. in Eynsham Village Hall: for the over 60s. Brochures/application forms will be available mid-June.

### **Terry Pope, September 1947 - February 2019**

Our friend Terry was as regular an attender at EBC as was possible, given that his home was in Lancashire. He and his partner Peter were antiques dealers, and would time their return from the International Antiques Fair at Ardingly in Sussex so that they were in this area on a Sunday, and be able to go to EBC. Many of you will remember them with their dog Maisie, particularly the occasion when Jean asked Terry - and Maisie - to do the children's talk about the work of PAT dogs. They became good friends with Jean, and also with Anne Wrapson. The last few years saw a change. Peter developed a serious neurological illness, and lost his sense of balance. He could no longer drive - and Terry had never learned. They had to give up their business, and could no longer travel. However, they always wanted news of EBC. Terry became Peter's full-time carer. Then, quite suddenly, he died, leaving Peter bereft. Peter has asked me to thank you for all the warmth, kindness, and love they received on their many visits, and also for the cards some of you have sent. Please remember him in your prayers.

*Kaye Pritchard*

### **COMMUNITY NOTICES**

#### **EYNSHAM FLOWER FESTIVAL**

The village Flower Festival is held on Carnival week-end in St Leonard's Church with many village organizations taking part, including the three churches: this year's theme "Stage and Screen". To enable it to go ahead this year Marshalls are needed, 2 people at a time, or 1 person if anyone is happy to be on their own, for the following times:

<b>Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July</b>	10 - 12 noon	2 - 3.00 p.m.	3 - 4.00 p.m.
<b>Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July</b>	1 - 2 p.m.		
<b>Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July</b>	11 - 12 noon	12 - 1p.m.	1 - 2.00 p.m.

Marshalling involves being in the church and talking to people, making sure the displays are not touched and maybe guiding them to the Charity Collection Box!!

If you can help please contact Kathy Tanner **as soon as possible** on 880994 or email her on [eynshamflowerfestival@btinternet.com](mailto:eynshamflowerfestival@btinternet.com) .

## **EYNHAM NEIGHBOURHOOD CAR SCHEME**

This is a volunteer service in the village which takes elderly/infirm people to medical appointments. Calls to the service are increasing all the time so more volunteer drivers would be most welcome. Could you offer some time to drive people to medical appointments in and/or outside the village? You can give as much or as little time as you wish and will receive a mileage allowance. Contact Celia Davies on 07469 764174 for more information.

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## **EYNHAM BAPTIST CHURCH**

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### **CHURCH TREASURER:**

Bob Thiele - 426203

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Denise Launchbury - 881128

Maureen Thompson – 881808

Derek Malin - 88410

Sue Law – 731263

**MINISTER:** Revd. Zoltan Biro

**Tel:** 881670    **Mobile** 07846 653457

Zoltan's days off are generally Wednesday and Saturday: on these days please first contact Church Secretary or one of the Deacons. In an emergency Zoltan can be contacted by text or email.

**Please make the Minister or Deacons aware of anyone in need of pastoral support.**

**DEADLINE FOR THE JUNE NEWSLETTER SUNDAY 19<sup>th</sup> MAY**

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