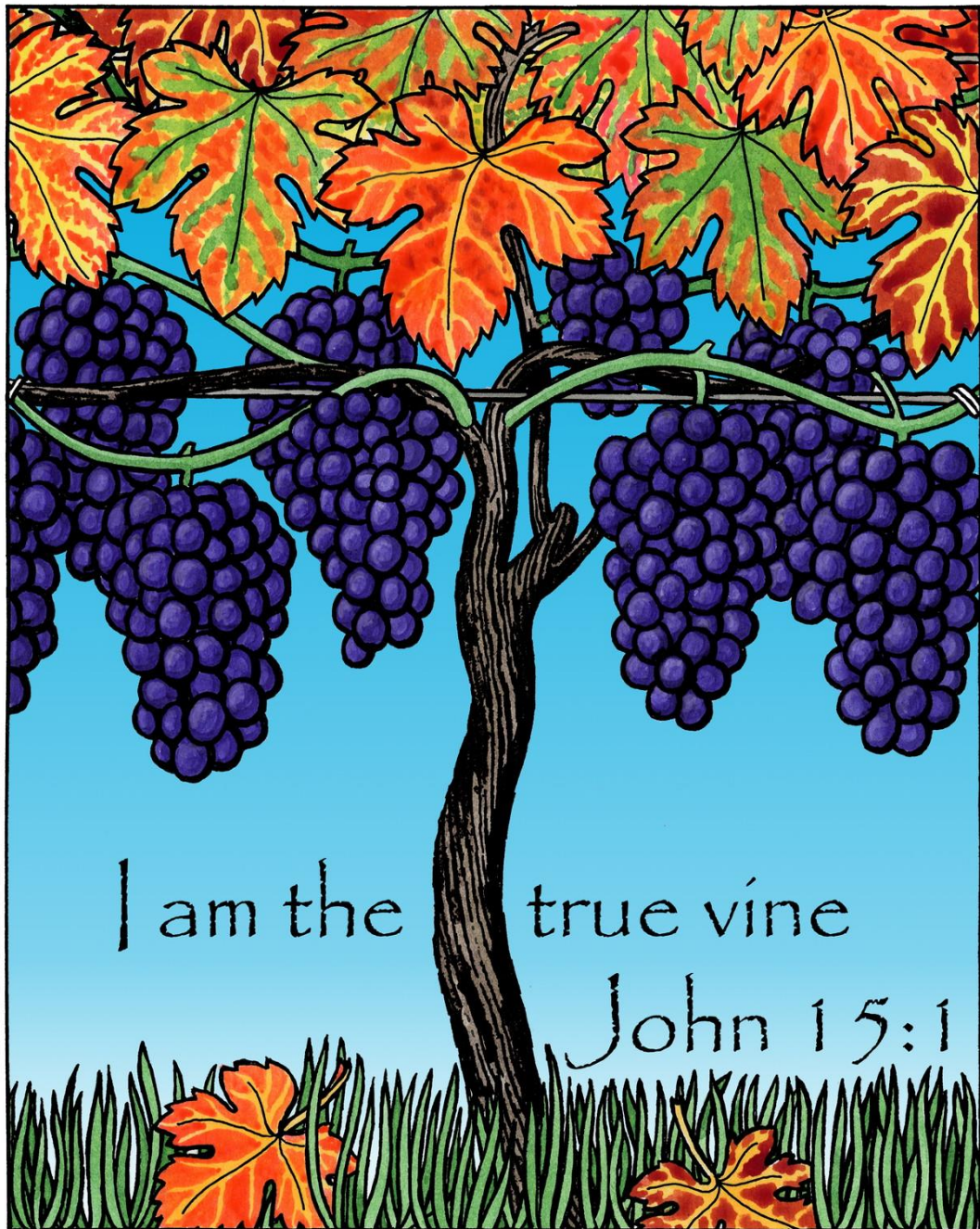


# Eynsham Baptist Church

Lombard Street, Eynsham, Oxford OX29 4HT  
Minister - Revd Zoltan Biro

**Newsletter – September 2018**



## SERVICES IN SEPTEMBER

Sunday morning services include Creche and Junior Church. **Pre-service Prayers** 10.00 - 10.15 a.m. at which all are welcome.

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

<b>DATE</b>	<b>THEME: BIBLICAL FRUITS</b>	<b>LEADER</b>
<b>Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup></b> 10.30 a.m.	Fig Deuteronomy 8: 6-10    Mark 11: 12-21	Revd Zoltan Biro
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup>	12 noon Communion	
<b>Sunday 9<sup>th</sup></b> <b>HC</b> 10.30 a.m.  3.00 p.m.	Olive Genesis 8: 6-12    Matthew 26: 36-44 <b>SONGS OF PRAISE – ‘Café Style’</b> <b>‘Harvest’</b>	Revd Zoltan Biro
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup>	12 noon Communion	
<b>Sunday 16<sup>th</sup></b> 10.30 a.m.	Pomegranate Exodus 28: 33-34    Galatians 5: 22-26	Revd Zoltan Biro
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup>	12 noon Communion	
<b>Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup></b> <b>FHC</b> 10.30 a.m. <b><u>HARVEST</u></b>	Date / Palm Psalm 92: 12-15    John 12: 12-15 <i>Service followed by Bring &amp; Share lunch</i>	Revd Zoltan Biro
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup>	1.30 p.m. Day Centre Harvest	The 3 churches
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup>	12 noon Communion	
<b>Sunday 30<sup>th</sup></b> 10.30 a.m.	Grape / Vine Psalm 80: 7-11    John 15: 4-11	Revd Zoltan Biro

## STUDY GROUPS

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

**SOUP & STUDY** re-starts on **Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> September** at 1.00 p.m. Zoltan leads this relaxed, informal time together to study the Bible after a soup lunch. They usually meet on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays of the month. If you haven't been before, why not come along for a taster session. Further information from Zoltan or Maureen.

## **ASYLUM WELCOME**

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

## **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 donations need to have at least 6 months to run on the 'use by date' please.**

### **A letter from Melvina Fawcett, North Oxfordshire Food Bank**

#### **Harvest 2018**

The season of Harvest is fast approaching and it's the time of year when we hope to replenish the dwindling stocks in the Food Bank store.

It has been another busy year for us making up basic food parcels for individuals, couples and families who have been referred to us because they are in real need. We provide an array of basic food items to suit their situation and they value what they are provided with, but the store has many empty storage boxes in it.

Without the support of organisations including schools, churches and individuals throughout North Oxfordshire we cannot manage to provide the level of parcels that we do. Thank you for all your support.

#### **The following items are needed for the foodbank at the moment:**

Tins of Fruit, Custard or Pudding Rice

Pasta sauce

Tins of Meat (all types including tinned pies) Fish (Tuna)

Tins of Vegetables (i.e. peas, carrots, sweetcorn, potatoes, tomatoes)

Rice & Pasta (500g packets),

Breakfast Cereals (not oats)

Coffee, Tea & Small packets of Sugar

Long Life semi skimmed Milk

Long Life Fruit Juice

Biscuits, Jams & spreads

Tins of Soup, Baked Beans & Spaghetti

We also welcome toilet rolls, washing-up liquid, washing machine tablets etc.

## **THE 114 CLUB**

Tuesdays 7 - 9 p.m. at 114 Spareacre Lane: an evening of fun and fellowship playing Rummikub, cribbage, etc - speak to David or Lin Miller for more details.

## **DIARY**

### **GATEHOUSE**

**Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> September** Supporting 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 & Revel Elliot - 881346.*

### **BMS COFFEE MORNING & TRADCRAFT STALL**

**Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> September** 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.

### **DEACONS MEETING**

**Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> September** at 7.30 p.m. Please pray for our Minister and Deacons as they seek God's leading for the church.

### **OXFORDSHIRE HISTORIC CHURCHES TRUST - RIDE & STRIDE**

**Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> September** There is still one space on the church sitting list i.e. to sit in the church to welcome riders/striders. Please sign the list on the coffee table if you can help. **P.S.** There is still time to pick up a sponsor form from Lin if you would like to Ride or Stride yourself !

### **TRADCRAFT STALL**

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> September** 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.

### **CHURCH MEETING**

**Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> September** at 12.00 noon. All members are encouraged to attend this important meeting.

## **TRAIDCRAFT STALL**

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September** 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.

## **LUNCH CLUB**

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September** at 1.00 p.m. To book your place please speak to Pamela Thiele or Maureen Thompson.

## **EBC YOUTH CLUB**

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> September** from 6.30 p.m. Please continue to pray for those who attend. If anyone can offer help please speak to Zoltan.

## **HARVEST SERVICE**

**Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> September** at 10.30 a.m. Gifts of produce for donation to the North Oxfordshire Food Bank\* and the Gatehouse Project for Oxford's homeless will be most welcome. Monetary gifts will go to the Baptist Missionary Society (BMS). *\*See the list above of what the Food Bank particularly needs at the moment.*

## **HARVEST LUNCH**

**Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> September** after our morning service. We shall be sharing lunch together in our main hall so please sign the list on the coffee table so that we know numbers, and indicate if you are able to bring food to share.

## **COFFEE AND CARNATIONS.**

**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> September** We will be going to Bampton Garden Centre/Aston Pottery. Please sign the list if you need or can offer a lift. We meet in the cafe at Bampton at 10.30 a.m.

## **TRAIDCRAFT STALL**

**Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> September** 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.

## **EBC MONTHLY DAY OF PRAYER**

**Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> September** We are encouraged to pray specifically for EBC at some time during this day.



## **FORWARD NOTICES**

### **ONE WORLD WEEK SALE**

**Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> October** 10 - 12 noon Supporting charities such as Sobell House, Save the Children, Oxfam etc plus a Traidcraft stall. We will also be selling cakes and bric-a-brac in aid of Baphumelele Children's Home in South Africa. If you have any items to donate or can make a cake(s) please speak to Ann Gurden.

### **CONGRATULATIONS !**

to Catherine and Jacob Francis who were married in St Lucia on 4<sup>th</sup> August. We pray God's blessing on them in their future life together and that they will always know His loving presence with them.



## **A simple Sunday morning prayer**

Lord, our very being here today is a prayer.  
By being here we say 'We love you, Lord' and appreciate all you have  
done in saving us from our sins.

By being here we say 'Thank you, Lord' because we are aware of all  
the daily blessings you shower on our lives.

By being here we say 'Use us, Lord' because we are offering  
ourselves again to your service, and to live for your glory.

By being here we say 'Help us, Lord' because we face many trials  
and temptations and are in need of your grace.

By being here we say 'Change us, Lord' because we want to be more  
like Jesus in all we say and do.

Our being here today is a prayer Lord, whether spoken or not.

Hear us we ask, in Jesus' Name  
Amen.

*Tony Horsfall in 'Parish Pump'*

## **Praise**

When light creeps in through the chinks of the door  
When the mist ascends from the mountain floor,  
When the ocean shimmers like burnished ore,  
Let me give the praise.

O God of the morning, Christ of the hills,  
O Spirit who all the firmament fills,  
O Trinity blest who all goodness wills,  
Keep us all our days.

*From 'Morning' an ancient Celtic poem*

## **CHURCH CONTACTS**

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Bob Thiele – 01865 426203

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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. He is usually in the church office Thursdays.

**PLEASE MAKE THE MINISTER OR DEACONS AWARE OF ANYONE IN NEED OF PASTORAL SUPPORT.**

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**Information for the October newsletter by Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> September to:  
Lin Miller - 01865 881780 - linmiller25@gmail.com**

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