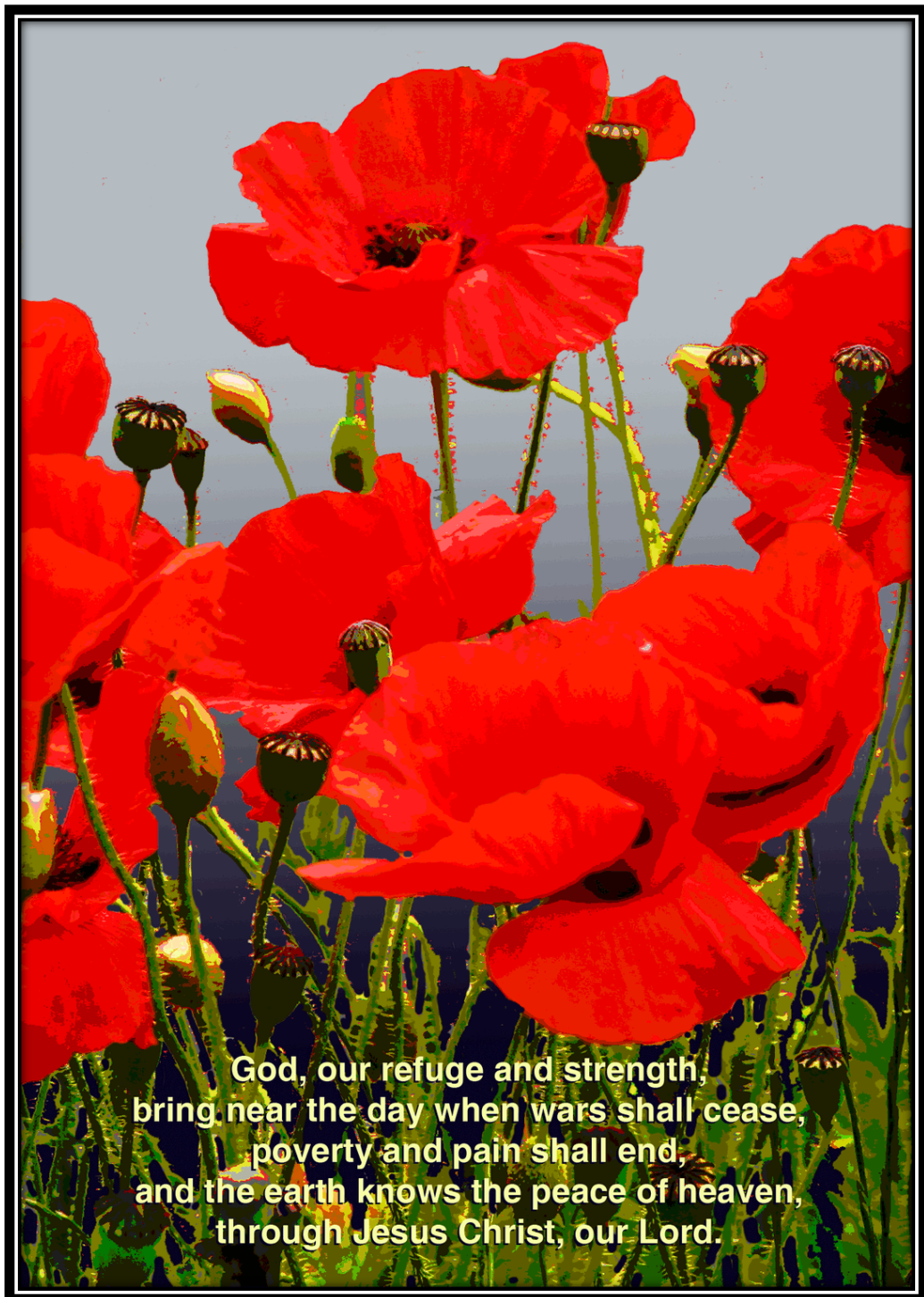


# Eynsham Baptist Church

Lombard Street, Eynsham, Oxford OX29 4HT

Minister - Revd Zoltan Biro

Newsletter – November 2018




God, our refuge and strength,  
bring near the day when wars shall cease,  
poverty and pain shall end,  
and the earth knows the peace of heaven,  
through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

## SERVICES IN NOVEMBER

EBC 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)

<u>DATE</u>	<b>THEME: Names of God in the Bible <i>contd</i></b>	<u>LEADER</u>
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup>	12.00 noon Communion	
<b>Sunday 4<sup>th</sup></b> 10.30 a.m.	God who Provides Genesis 22: 1-14    2 Corinthians 9: 6-11	Revd Malcolm Cook
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup>	12 noon Communion	
<b>Sunday 11<sup>th</sup></b> <b>10.00 a.m.</b>	God who Saves Daniel 6: 11-23	Revd Zoltan Biro
 <b><u>REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY</u></b>	<p><i><b>EBC morning service starts at the earlier time of 10.00 a.m. and includes the Two Minutes Silence &amp; Roll of Honour. The service will finish early so that those who wish to do so may also attend the Act of Remembrance and Wreath Laying at the War Memorial at about 10.55 a.m.</b></i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>EBC SONGS OF PRAISE - 'Café Style'</b> <b>'Remembrance'</b></p> <p>SERVICE IN ST LEONARD'S CHURCH to commemorate the 100 years since the ending of WWI, includes a 15 minute newsreel of old film/memories.</p> <p>Following the service the Roll of Honour will be read at the War Memorial and the candles, which will have been burning all day, will be extinguished.</p> <p>The church bells will be rung at 7.05 p.m.</p>	Mr Graham Elliott
3.00 p.m.		
6.00 p.m.		
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup>	12 noon Communion	
<b>Sunday 18<sup>th</sup></b> 10.30 a.m.	God who is Peace Judges 6: 11-24    Philipians 4: 4-7	Revd Zoltan Biro
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	12 noon Communion	
<b>Sunday 25<sup>th</sup></b> <b>FHC</b> 10.30 a.m.	God who is Love Exodus 17: 8-15    Luke 10: 25-37	Revd Zoltan Biro
3.00 p.m.	Messy Church	
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup>	12 noon Communion	

## **STUDY GROUPS**

There are several **HOME STUDY GROUPS** who 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 'use by date' please.**

## **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)

## **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**

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

**Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> November** 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 1<sup>st</sup> November** at 7.30 p.m. Please pray for our Minister and Deacons as they seek God's leading for the church.

### **TRAIDCRAFT STALL**

**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> November** 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.

### **SINGING GROUP**

**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> November** at 7.00 p.m. in the church, now practising for Christmas: new singers always welcome, speak to Maureen for details.

## **TRAIDCRAFT STALL**

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> November** 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.

## **SINGING GROUP**

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> November** at 7.00 p.m. in the church: more information from Maureen.

## **LUNCH CLUB**

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> November** at 1.00 p.m. To book your place please speak to Pamela Thiele or Maureen Thompson.

## **FUNKY FRIDAY**

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November** from 6.00 p.m. for Year 5 (10) and upwards. If anyone can offer help, particularly in the kitchen, between 6.15 - 7.30 p.m. please speak to Zoltan. Please pray for those who attend.

## **CHURCH MEETING**

**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> November** at 12 noon. All members are encouraged to attend this important meeting.

## **SINGING GROUP**

**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> November** at 7.00 p.m. in the church, more information from Maureen.

## **TRAIDCRAFT STALL**

**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> November** 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.

## **GATEHOUSE**

**Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> November** 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 should be labelled showing possible allergens. *Details from Ray & Revel Elliot - 881346.*

## **COFFEE AND CARNATIONS.**

**Monday 26<sup>th</sup> November** We will be going to Hilltop Garden Centre. Please sign the list if you need or can offer a lift. We meet in the cafe at 10.30 a.m.

## **EBC MONTHLY DAY OF PRAYER**

**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> November** We are encouraged to pray specifically for EBC at some time during this day.

## **TRADCRAFT STALL**

**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> November** 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.

## **SINGING GROUP**

**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> November** at 7.00 p.m. in the church, more information from Maureen.

## **FORWARD NOTICES**

### **EBC ADVENT QUIET DAY**

**Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> December** 10 - 2 p.m. at Freeland Convent.

### **THREE CHURCHES OASIS CAROL SERVICE**

**Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December** at 2.00 p.m. in Eynsham Baptist Church.

### **THREE CHURCHES CHRISTMAS WREATH MAKING**

**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December** 7.00 p.m. in St Leonard's Church Hall.

### **THREE CHURCHES DAY CENTRE CAROL SERVICE**

**Monday 10<sup>th</sup> December** at 1.30 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

### **EBC CHRISTMAS NATIVITY**

**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December** at 10.15 a.m. in EBC.

### **THREE CHURCHES CAROLS AT THE SWAN**

**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December** at 7.30 p.m.

## **2019**

### **GATEHOUSE**

**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> January** is the next week we are asked to help.

### **WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY**

**18<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> January** Churches will be open for prayer during that week and on **Monday, 21<sup>st</sup> January** 10.30 -11.00 a.m. churches will come together at Eynsham Baptist Church for time of prayer.

### **WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER**

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March** St Leonard's to host - soup lunch followed by service.

## **REMEMBRANCE DAY AND REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY**

These both fall on the same day this year. St Leonard's Church and Eynsham Baptist Church's services of Remembrance will commence at 10.00 a.m. and will finish in time for the 11.00 a.m. commemorative service in The Square. The Royal British Legion is organising a "Centenary of Peace" service in St Leonard's church commencing at 6.00 p.m. on 11th November during which there will be a 15 minute newsreel of old film/memories followed by a 30 - 35 minute service. This will end in time for the church bells to be rung at 7.05 p.m. and the extinguishing of candles that will have been burning outside (weather permitting) throughout the day. Eynsham Women's Institute's commemorative poppy display will also be in The Square.

### **'BIG APPLE BAROQUE' - CONCERT of MUSIC and POETRY 'In Defence of Christmas'**

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2018  
at 7.30 p.m. in St Leonard's Church

Works by Gibbons, Tomkins and William & Henry Lawes, George Herbert, Henry Vaughn and Martin Lluelyn. Hear how 17<sup>th</sup> century Anglican musicians and poets defended Christmas against the Puritans' attempts to diminish and then abolish Christmas as a national holiday.

Admission free - retiring collection for the parish's charitable projects.  
Complementary refreshments.

## **INVITATION**

On **Sunday, December 2nd 2018** there will be an 'open house' at the home of Steve and Janet Gaukroger. They would be delighted for anyone who is part of the EBC family to stop by for coffee and cake any time between 2.30 - 4.30 p.m. They live at 1 Penelope House, Cobbetts Close (the new development in Newland Street).

## **MISSION PRAISE BOOKS - FREE TO GOOD HOME !**

Mission Praise Books - Words edition. I have 49 copies of Book 1 and 35 copies of Book 2, plus a music copy of Book 2 which need a new home. Please speak to Lin if you know of anyone who could use them.

## THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

Kaye Pritchard has suggested a new feature for the newsletter, 'Thought for the Month' - perhaps with a bit of humour, but still relevant to our spiritual/church life.

Here is the first contribution from Kaye .....

**“Going to church does not make one a Christian,  
any more than standing in a garage makes one a car.”**

***.... by their works you shall know them - Matthew 7:20***

It would be nice to involve everyone so if you have something you would like to share please let me have it by the deadline date each month. We are not looking for lengthy theological articles, just a short thought to ponder: perhaps a favourite Bible verse, or a pertinent saying or hymn verse. If you want to remain anonymous that's fine, but it is always nice to know who has contributed. I only have room for one 'Thought' each month so can't guarantee that yours will appear immediately due to space constraints (and I do reserve the right to use editorial discretion), but they will appear eventually.

## ONE WORLD WEEK SALE

Thanks to everyone who supported the various charities at the One World Week sale in October, and in particular thanks for over £500.00 which was raised for Baphumelele Children's Home in South Africa who EBC have supported for many years. Founded in 2001 by Rosie Mashale, a trained primary school teacher, it began as a refuge and place of safety for orphaned and other vulnerable children in the township of Khayelitsha, one of the largest in South Africa. **Baphumelele** (pronounced: ba-poo-meh-leh-leh), is a Xhosa word meaning 'you have progressed' and through the hard work, determination, and help of the community and friends overseas, Baphumelele has developed into a thriving community project whose vision is to provide a shelter for vulnerable/orphaned children and young adults with chronic diseases and HIV/Aids, and to provide skills development for the unemployed, early childhood care, alleviation of poverty, and healthcare information to the community.

## **TWAM – TOOLS WITH A MISSION**

A Christian charity sending tools across the world

David Miller is putting together another collection of tools. There is an extensive list of what they can take so if you have something which you think could be used please speak to him as soon as possible. He needs to have items **by the beginning of December** please.

TWAM collect unwanted tools, refurbish them, sort them into trade kits and send them across the world (including Britain) for livelihood creation. They send around 20 containers filled with over 300 tonnes of tools every year. This supports local people in supporting their own communities through livelihood creating projects, provides dignity through work and the ability to provide for them and their families.

### **CHURCH CONTACTS**

#### **CHURCH OFFICE:**

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#### **CHURCH TREASURER:**

Bob Thiele - 426203

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**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. He is usually in the church office on Thursdays.

**DEACONS:** Angie Cox - 880563, Derek Malin - 88410, June Poole - 375130, Maureen Thompson - 881808, Sheila Wood - 01993 650263, Sue Law - 731263

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

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**INFORMATION FOR DECEMBER NEWSLETTER BY SUNDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER TO:**  
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