

EYNESHAM BAPTIST CHURCH

Lombard Street, Eynsham OX29 4HT



SUNDAY 1st AUGUST

LIVE COMMUNION SERVICE IN EBC
at 10.30 a.m.

Led by: Revd Dr Zoltan Biro

Wondering in the Wilderness: The God of the wilderness

Reading: Exodus 3: 1-14

So that everyone can feel as comfortable as possible we still have some precautions in place: **MASKS / FACE COVERINGS SHOULD BE WORN**, but we will be able to sing. Social distancing will be possible. For anyone who does not yet feel comfortable or able to return to a service, it will be streamed on YouTube. **To watch: find [YouTube](#) on Google and then search for [Eynsham Baptist Church](#). You will find all the streamed services and the one you need will have a red message saying 'live'.**

HOLIDAY CLUB SERVICE

at 11.00 a.m.

on St Leonard's land behind Red Lion

DAILY HOPE - 0800 804 8044

Music, prayers and reflections as well as full worship services from C of E: 24 hours a day free phone line.

DEACONS MEETING

Tuesdays at 10.30 a.m. Please pray for Zoltan and our Deacons.

MILLY CLARKSON

Milly Clarkson, a much loved former member of our church family sadly died on July 22nd at her daughter's home in Scotland. Milly's funeral is taking place on 2nd August and EBC have been asked by Gail if we would like to be included in the funeral service with our memories of Milly. The following tribute has been written by Denise and Jean...

Tribute from Eynsham Baptist Church

Milly and Bob Clarkson joined in membership of Eynsham Baptist Church in June 2005 becoming very special, trusted, loyal and much loved friends to our church family.

Milly was always pleased to see you, greeting you with a lovely smiling face making you feel at ease with her and special. Milly, a gentle lady always spoke kindly of people, never a bad word.

She loved to sing not only at Sunday services but at any church based activity she attended, she knew her hymns off by heart even when dementia started to take hold. Milly was, as was husband Bob, a committed Christian.

We remember each time we held a Bring and Share lunch in our church

hall, Milly & Bob provided a whole cooked salmon for everyone to enjoy. They were both very generous in many ways.

Milly and Bob renewed their wedding vows at Eynsham Baptist Church to celebrate their Golden Wedding anniversary.

Milly will be lovingly remembered by Eynsham Baptist Church family and we can be assured she is now re-united with Bob and is safe in the arms of the Lord our Father, in Heaven.

CONGRATULATIONS

to Steve and Janet Gaukroger who celebrated their **40th Wedding Anniversary** on 25th July 2021. We pray they will continue to know God's rich blessing in their lives

PRAYER

We pray for all who are bereaved, remembering especially Milly's family this week, praying they will know God's comfort and peace.

We particularly remember our friends in Uganda who are facing an ongoing dire situation due to Covid: apart from the disease, the lockdown restrictions are causing widespread starvation and hardship.

We give thanks for the Holiday Club which has been going on this last week, praying that seeds of faith will have been sown in those who attended. We pray also for the service which is taking place tomorrow morning.

Nigel Beeton writes: "Though I was brought up as a Baptist I did go through a phase in my early twenties when I thought I knew better, when I truly thought that the claims of the Bible did not stand up to modern science. I did, therefore, have the opportunity to discover the 'joys' of life without God, and discovered how empty they are. But God was patient with me, and, through a Christian friend, gently but firmly drew me back."

Before

I saw the summer flowers on a bright
and sunny day,
I heard the sound of birdsong as they
fluttered on their way
I thought all this was science, only
nature's rules at play –
And that was such a shame.

I saw the stars of winter shining in
a velvet sky
I knew creation's wonders, but I never
wondered 'why?'
I thought that life was just for now and
will finish when I die;
Life had no point, no gain
Before I knew your name.

I had a lot of company, of friendship
I'd no lack
(I always had the feeling that they
wanted something back)
Of what I spent on parties I could
struggle to keep track;
My life was just a game.

I made a lot of money – I knew every
business trick
I could earn it easily – I could spend it
just as quick
It should have made me happy but
instead it made me sick.
I lived without an aim
Before I knew your name.

I thought that church was not for me, I
didn't trust a word
I thought the things they said and did
were really quite absurd!
I really thought I understood, but in fact
I hadn't heard –
I just dismissed their claim.

And then one day a truer friend came
in and sat by me,
And told me things of Jesus Christ with
simple clarity
Their total faith in what it meant
enabled me to see
That I was most to blame
Before I knew your name.

Before my birth you came to earth
because you loved me so
My sin was why you had to die but still
you chose to go
To Calvary to die for me despite my sin
and woe
And then you rose again.

Your triumph saved me from the grave
and now from sin I'm free,
I've raised my gaze from my old ways
and now I really see!
To live for you is what I'll do and that
eternally
And so, to live is gain
Because I know your name.

Nigel Beeton

EYNSHAM COMMUNITY LARDER

School holidays can be a particularly challenging time for families without access to free school meals, making the work of the Community Larder even more vital. If you know of anyone in need of help call Bob Thiele on 07738 063083 or eynshamhelp@gmail.com There are **donation points** in Co-op, Spar, Market Garden and Tesco.

ASYLUM WELCOME

Donations still needed. Please speak to Marcus Thompson on 01865 881808.

GATEHOUSE

Gatehouse will be closed for 2 weeks at the end of August so there will be ***no Eynsham collection on 29th August.*** Gatehouse plan to review their policy in September, so we hope that this will mean we can resume making cakes and sandwiches. Sunday 10th October is the next date for food donations.

Contributions by **mid-day Friday** to linmiller25@gmail.com tel: 881780 (*subject to space and editorial discretion*).

EYNESHAM BAPTIST CHURCH

Tel: 01865 882203 (office)
eynsham.baptists@gmail.com

MINISTER: Revd Dr Zoltan Biro
Tel: 01865 881670
Mob: 07846 653457

CHURCH SECRETARY:
Sheila Wood Tel: 01993 650263

CHURCH TREASURER:
Bob Thiele Tel: 01865 426203

DEACONS:
Angie Cox - 880563
Denise Launchbury - 881128
June Poole - 375130
Maureen Thompson - 881808
Sue Law - 07796 955472

HALL BOOKINGS:
Rebecca Carley Tel: 07554 012535
rccarley@outlook.com

