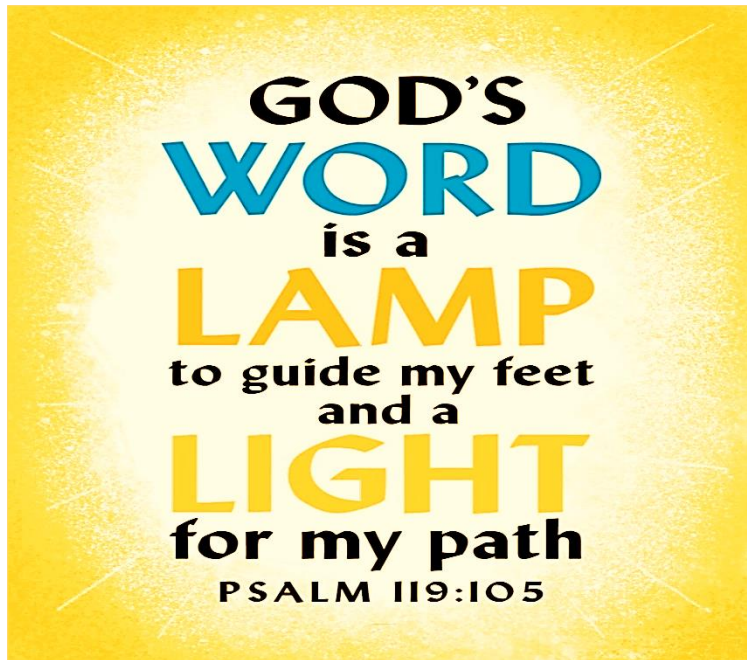


# EYNESHAM BAPTIST CHURCH

Lombard Street, Eynsham OX29 4HT



## SUNDAY 5<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER

**COMMUNION SERVICE**  
at 10.30 a.m.

Led by: Revd Dr Zoltan Biro

**Wilderness Blessings:** The glory of God  
is revealed (*Reading: Exodus 33: 12-23*)

### LUNCH WILL FOLLOW THE SERVICE

This will be a time to discuss fully the new proposals for the structure of EBC.  
Please bring your own lunch, but desserts and drinks will be provided.

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*So that everyone feels comfortable 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.*

***Livestream:** find YouTube on Google and then search for Eynsham Baptist Church. You will find all the streamed services, the current one will have a message saying 'LIVE'.*

**SEPTEMBER** - the month of new beginnings for many, as summer fades and school and college terms start.

After such a strange time of restrictions, hopes of freedom, with warnings to be cautious, it is hard to know what to expect this September.

We can't know what lies ahead, Lord, but we *can* trust you to see us through whatever it turns out to be.

Thank you for your promise, '*I will never leave you or forsake you ...*' (Hebrews 13:5)

Help us to hold fast to that promise, to keep trusting you - and to be thankful for each September day.

In Jesus' name. Amen.

*Revd Daphne Kitching*

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### THIS WEEK

**MONDAY PRAYERS re-start on 6<sup>th</sup> 7.00 p.m. on zoom** - all are welcome.  
**Login:** Meeting ID: 450 193 3567  
No password needed.  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4501933567>

### **DEACONS MEETING**

**Tuesday at 10.30 a.m.** Please continue to pray for Zoltan and our Deacons.

### **TWEENIES BREAKFAST CLUB**

**Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> September 10 - 12**  
For the older Messy Church children.

### **SATURDAY 11<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER**

**OHCT Ride & Stride.** We will not be asking people to 'church sit' this year, but there will be a signing-up sheet for any riders/striders on the church gate.

### **SUNDAY 12<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER**

**10.30 a.m.** our Second Sunday shorter, livelier service for families: all are welcome.

**3.00 p.m.** 'Songs of Praise' re-starts - a more traditional style service but 'Café Style' with tea and cake.

### LOOKING AHEAD

### **SUNDAY 19<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER**

There will be a Church Meeting after the morning service. This will be the AGM, but we will not be electing Officers or Deacons.

### **SUNDAY 26<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER HARVEST SERVICE & LUNCH**

Our monetary gifts will go to Asylum Welcome for their work with refugees. Other gifts such as fruit and vegetables and non-perishable items e.g. tins, packets and toiletries, will be used to supplement the Eynsham Community Larder. The service will be followed by **LUNCH. Please add your name to the sign-up sheet in the hall if you wish to come.**

### **SATURDAY 30<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER**

The One World Week Sale. More details will follow.

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### **McMILLAN COFFEE EVENT**

I am holding a McMillan coffee event on **Friday 10<sup>th</sup> September from 2 p.m.** I have plenty of chairs both inside and outside. Anyone wishing to bring their own fold up perch is welcome to do so. I hope to see many of you and for fine weather.

**Norma**

Some more thoughts from Revd Paul Hardingham as he considers what God wants of us – everyday.

### Back to School – and daily life

*‘Most Christians don’t really believe that the ordinary things they do every day have anything much to do with God’s purposes in time and eternity. But the reality is that God can and does work through His people... among the people they naturally meet, doing the things they normally do.’* (Mark Greene).

September is .... a good opportunity to ask how God wants us to make a difference in our workplace, school, family or with friends. Paul writes:

***‘And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.’*** (Colossians 3:17).

As disciples, we are called to do the ordinary things in the name of Jesus, i.e. *act in the way Jesus would in our situation.*

***‘WHATEVER YOU DO’:*** God is at work in every aspect of our lives. He can use whatever we do to make a difference to those around. Do we believe this? Our lives shouldn’t be like an orange, segmented into the sacred and secular, but more like an apple, in which the whole is available to God.

***‘WHATEVER YOU DO’:*** God wants to use us to make a difference to the people and places where we spend time. We can trust Him for the resources we need hour by hour, day by day, year by year. What do we need from Him?

***‘WHATEVER YOU DO’:*** Our work is for God alone, out of gratitude for God’s

love for us. How does this perspective make a difference when what we do seems hard, unrewarding, or unappreciated by others?

*‘Work doesn’t take us away from God; it continues the work of God.’*  
(Eugene Peterson).

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### Joyce Wickson

Joyce Wickson’s family would like to say thank you to everyone at EBC who helped in many ways ensuring her funeral service followed by refreshments was perfect - Joyce would have been pleased.

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### Greetings from Chris White

Many of us will know Chris from Botley Baptist Church, and from when she attended EBC Soup Lunches in years past. Chris now resides at Chawley Grove in Cumnor, and sends her greetings to those who remember her.



## **DAILY HOPE - 0800 804 8044**

**Free 24 hour phone line of music, prayers and reflections as well as full worship services.** Daily Hope was launched by the Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby, in April 2020 and has brought comfort and support to thousands of people during the last difficult months. It continues to operate as there are still millions of people who may be vulnerable due to their health or their age, or who may simply be reluctant to attend their place of worship and mix freely with others yet.

## **ASYLUM WELCOME**

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

## **EYNSHAM COMMUNITY LARDER**

Call Bob Thiele on 07738 063083 or email on [eynshamhelp@gmail.com](mailto:eynshamhelp@gmail.com)  
There are ***Donation points*** in Co-op, Spar, Market Garden and Tesco.

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