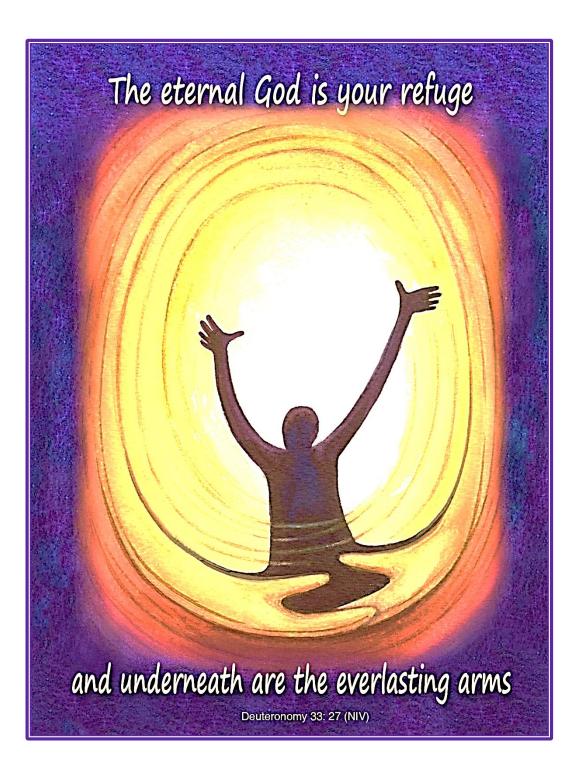
EYNSHAM BAPTIST CHURCH

Newsletter – Saturday 20th May 2023



SUNDAY 21st MAY

COMMUNION SERVICE at 10.30 a.m.

Led by Janet Gaukroger Preacher Revd Steve Gaukroger

When we are powerless: 'You will receive power... ' (Acts 1: 6-11)

* Livestreamed

CHURCH MEETING at 12.00 noon

Hybrid meeting - zoom link https://us05web.zoom.us/j/3885293839?pwd =aWZvZDNDK3FMK2IRdHdjb3BTQU9VQT09

TUESDAY 23rd MAY

3.00 p.m. 114 Club at David and Lin's Sociable, non-competitive rummikub, cribbage etc.

THURSDAY 25th MAY

10.30 a.m. Bible Study led by Zoltan. Meets in the hall on 2nd and 4th Thursdays: starts with coffee and finishes before 12 noon. All welcome.

12.00 noon Communion a short, reflective service - all are welcome.

FRIDAY 26th MAY

5 - 7 p.m. Tweens youth group meet in the hall.

Looking ahead to Summer ...

EYNSHAM CARNIVAL 1st July 2023

Volunteers are needed to help on the day manning gates/ticket sales.

If you would like to help contact Sheila Wood a.s.a.p. on sheila.wood1952@gmail.com



Several of our church family are suffering illness or disability at the moment and we pray they will find relief and healing. We pray for Barbara as she goes in for long awaited surgery: that all will go well and she will make a good recovery. May all those suffering know the peace of God.

We especially pray for Sam at the Bronze Clinic in Uganda following the very sad loss of his wife Julien. We pray he will know God's comfort and strength in the difficult days ahead, as he looks after his small children, continues to run the clinic and finds suitable staff to fill the post left by the death of Julien.

While we pray for the people of Ukraine, Sudan and all places where there is conflict, we also remember places in the world rarely heard about. Nigeria since In 2009, 52,250 Christians have been killed by jihadists, including Boko Haram and Fulani militants who have attacked 18,000 churches, 2,200 Christian schools 800 Christian and communities. We pray for our Christian brothers and sisters, that they would know courage and peace hearts and that the of those perpetrating the violence would be touched by God's Spirit.



Lots of encouraging contributions have been sent in this week ...

<u>Tweens</u>

There are now 15 regulars coming to Tweens!

June

Following the Coronation Tea

It is good to do the Father's will, To bow in grace so quiet and still And thank Him for a lovely tea, The friends and all around we see. Take our prayers, it's our delight Bless all the people in Your sight.

Chris

Food Bank

Thanks to Bob and Pamela and for all the volunteers who work so hard keeping this vital village resource running. It takes a lot of work with ordering and buying supplies, packing up parcels and distributing them. Many thanks to everyone involved.

A few thoughts ...

We are a deeply spiritual team by our actions, here's a small list ...

- 1. Cleaning out drains by Larry last Sunday.
- 2. Garden maintenance.
- 3. Church cleaning.
- 4. Making meals and refreshments.
- 5. Introducing young people to God through Messy Church & Tweens.
- 6. Looking after the older generation.
- 7. Using our skills to help others.
- 8. Providing the weekly 114 club and newsletter.

- 9. The beautiful flower arrangements each week.
- 10. Services and music.

We should all be encouraged by this and not give up.

Norma

Thank you Sheila for all your hard work in producing the Church Directory and the Church Meeting Minutes, and for all you do for EBC. This is very much appreciated.

Anon

Everything I need to know I learned

from Noah's Ark (Genesis chapters 6 - 8)

- 1. Don't miss the boat.
- 2. Remember that we are all in the same boat.
- 3. Plan ahead. It wasn't raining when Noah built the Ark.
- 4. Stay fit. When you're very old **Someone** may ask you to do something really big.
- 5. Don't listen to critics. Just get on with the job needing to be done.
- 6. Build your future on high ground.
- 7. For safety's sake, travel in pairs.
- 8. Speed isn't always an advantage. The snails were on board with the cheetahs.
- 9. When you're stressed, float awhile.

No matter the storm, when you are with God, there's always a rainbow waiting. *Author unknown*

EYNSHAM FOOD BANK

Call on 07450 328530 if in need of help. Food donations welcomed in Co-op, Spar and Market Garden or see https://bit.ly/Eynsham-FB

ASYLUM WELCOME

Marcus Thompson 01865 881808 https://www.asylum-welcome.org/

DAILY HOPE - 0800 804 8044

Church of England's FREE 24 hour phone line offering music, prayers, reflections and services.

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