

EYNESHAM BAPTIST CHURCH

Newsletter – Saturday 25th November 2023



“I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord.
“Who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.”



SATURDAY 25th NOVEMBER

**Teens
Coffee, Cake & Craft Sale**



**10.30 a.m. - 12.30 p.m.
in the Baptist Church Hall**

Join us and be waited on by our Teens.
There will be lots of lovely cakes.

Donations will support EBC youth work.

SUNDAY 26th NOVEMBER

10.30 a.m. COMMUNION SERVICE

Led by Janet Gaukroger
Preacher Revd Jonathan
Lamb

Time & Eternity: Heaven:
stepping into God's time
(*Revelation 21: 1-8, 22-23*)

No Livestream this week

TUESDAY 28th NOVEMBER

3.00 p.m. 114 Club at David & Lin's.
Socialiable Rummikub and cribbage.

THURSDAY 30th NOVEMBER

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

FRIDAY 1st DECEMBER

4.30 - 6.00 p.m. Teens Youth.

SUNDAY 3rd DECEMBER

**10.30 a.m. All-Age Family Service
Gift Sunday.** Our monetary gifts will
be going to Asylum Welcome and
Oxford Gatehouse this year.

THURSDAY 7th DECEMBER

**6.30 p.m. Carol Singing on Abbey
Green** At the last meeting of the joint
churches group we decided to go
carol singing on Abbey Green (*the
newest development, just past the
Evenlode*). Meet at 6.30 p.m. right at
the entrance to the estate, which is
accessed from Old Witney Road.

We will hand out/push through doors
invitations to this year's CAROLS IN
THE SQUARE. The development is
not finished yet, but enough houses
are occupied to make it worth doing.

Please speak to Janet if you'd like to
know more.

SATURDAY 9th DECEMBER

10.00 a.m. Advent Away Day at
Freeland Convent. There is a signing-
up list on the coffee table. Please
speak to Sheila for more details.

SUNDAY 10th DECEMBER

**10.30 a.m. Morning service at EBC
4.00 p.m. Carols in the Square**

MONDAY 11th DECEMBER

1.30 p.m. Day Centre Carol Service.

SUNDAY 17th DECEMBER

**No morning service
3.00 p.m. Messy Church Christmas
6.00 p.m. Carols by Candlelight**

SUNDAY 24th DECEMBER

(Christmas Eve)

10.30 a.m. Morning Service

CHRISTMAS DAY

10.00 a.m. Family Service



Please remember in prayer those in our church family who are ill, in hospital, or struggling with loneliness or anxiety. We would particularly pray for Grace who is very poorly and for Margaret. We pray too for those who have family members who are ill and for whom they are concerned. May all know God's comfort and peace in difficult days.

Take Time

Take time to think ...
It is the source of power.

Take time to play ...
It is the secret of perpetual youth.

Take time to read ...
It is the fountain of wisdom.

Take time to pray ...
It is the greatest power on earth.

Take time to be love and be loved ...
It is a God given privilege.

Take time to be friendly ...
It is the road to happiness.

Take time to laugh ...
It is the music of the soul.

Take time to give ...
It is too short to be selfish.

Take time to work ...
It is the price of success.

Take time to do charity...
It is the key to heaven.

Author unknown

'LINK to HOPE' SHOEBOXES

Thank you for all the help with shoeboxes this year.

With Burford Baptist we were able to contribute some 68 shoeboxes which are on the way to the Ukraine.

If you have empty shoeboxes please bring them to EBC and Burford will store them.

If you want to re-gift anything you receive this Christmas there will be a box in Church during January which will be used for the shoeboxes.

There will be a review of the campaign in the January 2024 church meeting.

Many thanks everyone.

Gill

SOUP for GATEHOUSE

Some of us provide cakes and sandwiches on Gatehouse Sundays, but there is also an opportunity to get involved in Eynsham's once a year 'soup run' in mid-February.

The Gatehouse on Woodstock Road Oxford (www.oxfordgatehouse.org) provides soup every day for its clients and the Eynsham group of soup makers has been delivering every year in February for about 20 years. **More soup makers are always welcome and it couldn't be easier.** Simply make 2 litres of soup, freeze it into blocks and list the ingredients (labels will be delivered to you). It will then be picked up from your door on Wednesday 7th February 2024.

If you would like to get involved please email Christine Cox on christinedeborahcox@gmail.com

USEFUL CONTACTS

EYNESHAM FOOD BANK

Call on **07450 328530** if needing help. Food donations welcomed in Co-op, Spar and Market Garden <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 of music, prayers, and services.

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