# **EYNSHAM BAPTIST CHURCH**

# Newsletter – Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2025

The theme of our service tomorrow is God as Father. We will be hearing part of Graham Kendrick song called 'Father me'. Here is a link to a lovely version of the whole song which you may enjoy listening to: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WEye7LXaUuE

# **SUNDAY 15th JUNE** - Fathers Day

**10.30 a.m. MORNING SERVICE** Led by Janet Gaukroger Preacher Revd Stephen Gaukroger God is our Father (*Galatians 4: 4-7 & Psalm 68: 5-6*)

Livestream: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCXSLz5V86D98t1FqLLAwWlg/live

3.00 p.m.



# Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> June - 7:30 p.m.

**BIBLE STUDIES** Bob and Janet have not given up on their short series Bible studies, though with all the adjustments which are happening at EBC right now, we are pausing until the autumn.

**BUT** - we are having an evening of fellowship, prayer and a brief look at one of the Psalms on <u>Wednesday, June 18 - 7:30 p.m.</u> at Janet's house. If you have wondered about joining one of our series, but have never 'taken the plunge', do come for this evening and see what it's like. For more information, speak to Bob or Janet.

# Thursday 19th June

**12.00 noon COMMUNION** A short, reflective service - all are welcome.

**1.00 p.m. LUNCH CLUB** Booking is necessary: please contact Maureen on 881808 or Pamela on 426203.

# Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June

4.30 - 6.00 p.m. Teens meet in the hall.

# FURTHER AHEAD

### Friday 4<sup>th</sup> to Monday 7<sup>th</sup> July

**2025 Eynsham Flower Festival in St Leonard's Church** - theme is 'Circus' and this year's charity is Eynsham Consolidated Charity.

## Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> July

**Eynsham Carnival** Starts at 11.00 a.m. with Eynsham Morris followed by Float Judging, Shirt Race, Parade and 1.00 p.m. Carnival Field opens.

## Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> August

**10.00 a.m. - 3.45 p.m. OASIS** A day of activities for the over 60s in Eynsham Baptist Church and Hall. Cost £8.00 per person/£15.00 for couples: booking forms available mid-June from any of the three churches, or Eynsham Library. **Pre-booking is essential as places are limited and will be allocated on a 'first come, first served' basis.** 



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We say a heartfelt 'thank-you' to Zoltan for all he and the family have meant to us at EBC during the last 18 years, 11 of those years as our minister. We have grown spiritually and numerically during his time with us and he has been a blessing to us and the community. At our service on 8<sup>th</sup> June we sadly said goodbye, but it was nevertheless an uplifting and joyful time with a church full of members and friends: we continued fellowship afterwards over the usual fabulous EBC lunch!



**We pray for Zoltan, Marta and Patrik** as they leave Eynsham and settle into their new life in Reading. May they, and the congregation at Abbey Baptist Church, be richly blessed.

We pray for our Deacons, Transition Team and Church Family as we now navigate the way forward without Zoltan, asking for God's leading and direction in all we do "Unless the Lord builds the house they labour in vain who build it ..." *Psalm 127: 1* 



We would like to thank all of you who made Sunday such a special day. Thank you for all involved in the service, it was great, and all who produced such a wonderful meal; you all did EBC proud, so a very big THANK YOU to you all. Love to you all.

# Malcolm & Barbara





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### **Father Me**

Father Me O father of the fatherless, In whom all families are blessed, I love the way you father me;
You gave me life, forgave the past, Now in your arms I'm safe at last, I love the way you father me.

Father me, forever you'll father me And in your embrace I'll be forever secure I love the way you father me.

When bruised and broken I draw near. You hold me close and dry my tears. I love the way you father me; At last my fearful heart is still, Surrendered to your perfect will, I love the way you father me.

If in my foolishness I stray, Returning empty and ashamed, I love the way you father me; Exchanging for my wretchedness, Your radiant robes of righteousness, I love the way you father me.

And when I look into your eyes, From deep within my spirit cries, I love the way you father me; Before such love I stand amazed, And ever will through endless days, I love the way You father me.

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#### Care and Support

Denise Launchbury - 01865 881128 Malcolm & Barbara Cook - 07896 271905 or 01865 375730

#### Food Bank

Call 07450 328530 to request help Donations welcomed in Co-op, Spar and Market Garden https://bit.ly/Eynsham-FB

# Hall Bookings

Rebecca Carley - 07554 012535 bookings@eynshambaptistchurch.co.uk

#### Lunch Club

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#### Newsletter

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#### Teens

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