

EYNESHAM BAPTIST CHURCH

Newsletter – Saturday 8th November 2025



SUNDAY 9th NOVEMBER

10.00 a.m.

REMEMBRANCE SERVICE at EBC

** note earlier start time*

Led by Revd Stephen Gaukroger

'Greater Love' (John 15: 9-13)

Service will include the Roll of Honour and Two Minutes Silence

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

10.45a.m.

ACT OF REMEMBRANCE IN THE SQUARE

Parade of Standards, Reading Eynsham's Rolls of Honour, The Exhortation, Last Post, Reveille, Kohima Epitaph, National Anthem and Laying of wreaths

Two Minutes Silence at 11.00 a.m.

TUESDAY 11th NOVEMBER

SILENCE IN THE SQUARE

10.45 a.m. Rolls of Honour and Last Post

11.00 a.m. Two Minutes Silence

Wednesday 12th November

7.30 - 9.00 p.m. BIBLE STUDY at Janet's house.

Thursday 13th November

10.30 a.m. BIBLE STUDY In the hall on 2nd and 4th Thursdays - all welcome.

12.00 noon COMMUNION A short, reflective service, in the hall - all are welcome.

FURTHER AHEAD

Saturday 22nd November

10.00 a.m. - 12.30 p.m. CHRISTMAS SALE AT EBC Things to sell on the Teens' stall needed please and Maureen would welcome books and puzzles. Cakes also needed for the cake stall. Speak to June for more details.



Heavenly Father,

In this month of long nights and dull days, we remember those we have known, those we have loved and lost recently. We ache and we cry, as individuals and as a nation.

We read the lists of names of those who died in wars that are now history. Few of us knew those brave ones as living people, and we realise that life is fleeting. We too will soon be just names on a list, or on someone's family tree. And we wonder what life means.

Help us, Lord, to switch our focus, from our limited, "now" view, to your unlimited and eternal bigger picture - and to be re-assured.

Thank you for sending Jesus to make sense of life, paradoxically, by His death on the cross.

Thank you that through knowing Him, we can know you. Our names will never be forgotten, because we shall live forever with you, if we put our trust in Jesus.

Thank you Lord for remembering us. Compassionate Father, You are Sovereign. Your plans and timing are not always easy for us to understand, but we trust you and know that you love us and only want good things for us.

At this time of Remembering, when so many are so sad, thank you for giving your only Son, Jesus, so that if we believe and trust in Him we have the promise of eternal life and re-union with all who loved Him too.

We choose to believe and trust, in Jesus' name.
Amen

Daphne Kitching

Please pray for: those in our church family who have suffered bereavement and the loss of loved ones, some in the past year, and for whom this poignant time of remembrance may be particularly sad and painful. May they know the comfort only God can give.

But this I call to mind,
and therefore I have hope:
The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases,
his mercies never come to an end;
they are new every morning;
great is thy faithfulness.

Lamentations 3: 21-23

Church refurbishment

Dear Members,

We need to reflect upon how we present ourselves to the wider community (through our church building) as we seek to both support those in need and to convey the Christian message of hope in ways that speak to our neighbours.

In looking forward we need to address this and whilst not seeking to be simply contemporary we do need to recognise the significance of the chapel's physical condition. The challenge of dealing with the damp that seeps into the chapel is ongoing and unfortunately it creates something of an impression of a cold and aging building. Some of the damp issues are impossible to get at without removing the organ. (It's amazing to think it's now over 6 years since we last used the organ as part of an EBC service.) In addition, as it is now simply not used it is actually restricting what we could use that space for. For example, the musicians could make much greater use on a Sunday morning of that area.

As we look towards the future and the next steps of EBC's journey we are mindful of some of the repairs needed to the chapel and we are already in discussions with a church architectural specialist about how we might proceed.

After reflection, the trustees have decided it is therefore sensible to remove the organ and commence any initial repairs to the panelling behind it and to review the state of the wall there. The plan is to proceed with this as soon as is practical and in a way that minimises any short-term impact upon our services of worship.

If you have any questions please do contact me or one of the trustees.

Bob Thiele
on behalf of the Trustees



NEEDED FOR MESSY CHURCH

Messy Church need empty milk or juice cartons please for an activity they will be doing on 21st December - **2 pint / half litre size** please.

Please start saving your 'empties' and give them to Maureen if you can help.

Thank you.

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Care and Support

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Food Bank

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

Hall Bookings

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