

EYNSHAM BAPTIST CHURCH

Newsletter – Saturday 24th January 2026

SUNDAY 25th JANUARY

10.30 a.m.

MORNING SERVICE

Led by Janet Gaukroger

Preacher Revd Stephen Gaukroger

*Starting the New Year with Jesus: a new start
(Lamentations 3: 19-26 and 2 Corinthians 5:17)*

Sunday morning services livestreamed:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCXSLz5V86D98t1FqLLAwWIg/live>

TRANSITION TEAM will be available after the service
for questions, suggestions and discussions over coffee.

THIS WEEK

Tuesday 27th January

3.00 p.m. 114 CLUB at David & Lin's.

HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL DAY
remembering the six million Jewish men, women & children who were murdered, and the millions more murdered under Nazi persecution. The day also commemorates where persecution led in Cambodia, Rwanda, Bosnia and Darfur.

<http://www.hmd.org.uk/>

Thursday 29th January

12.00 noon COMMUNION A weekly short reflective service held in the hall at which all are welcome.

FURTHER AHEAD

Saturday 21st February

9.30 - 1.00 p.m. 'VISION MORNING' at EBC led by Revd Stephen Gaukroger. Childcare will be provided so parents will be able to attend.

A brighter sanctuary

People may need sunglasses in church on Sunday. The windows have been cleaned for the first time in about 8 years! It's very bright. We have also taken down the very mouldy inner blinds, so there should be far fewer unhealthy spores in the atmosphere.

Larry

Nigel Beeton writes: *Although of course we will heartily wish one another a Happy New Year, we have to be honest and realize that for very many the future in general, and the new year in particular, holds a great deal to be feared. War, energy costs, inflation, we've all just come through a nasty pandemic (written in 2023). The future looks very frightening indeed. So it did for the Israelites in the time of Jeremiah. Exiled to Babylon, surrounded by their enemies and by false prophets, there was nothing whatsoever for them to look forward to. And yet, in Jeremiah 29:11-13 we read this promise by God to His people: “For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the Lord, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. Then you will call on Me and come and pray to Me, and I will listen to you. You will seek Me and find me when you seek Me with all your heart.”* Because of our faithful God, we can truly say: Happy New Year!

My plans for you

When your troubles are great
And you fear so much
When you've gone to a land far away;
When all those that you love
Are far out of touch
And you're scared of the night and the day.

*“I know,” says the Lord, “of My plans for you,
Plans for good not for ill – you will see!
Your future and hope in My plans for you.
When you pray, and you call out to Me!”*

When the darkness surrounds
And the night is long
When the storm's blowing hard on your door;
When your bones ache with pain
And you feel so wrong
And you really can't take any more.

*“I know,” says the Lord, “of My plans for you,
Plans for good not for ill – you will see!
Your future and hope in My plans for you
When you pray, and you call out to Me!”*

When your world has gone wrong
Though you've tried so hard
And the ends never seem quite to meet;
The betrayal of friends
Leave you deeply scarred
And it all seems to end in defeat.

*“I know,” says the Lord, “of My plans for you,
Plans for good not for ill – you will see!
Your future and hope in My plans for you
When you pray, and you call out to Me!”*

When you seek you shall find
If you search for Me
You be sure that I will do My part;
You know I will be found
And I'll hear your plea
When you search with the whole of your heart!

"I know," says the Lord, "of My plans for you,
Plans for good not for ill – you will see!
Your future and hope in My plans for you
When you pray, and you call out to Me!"

*Nigel Beeton
(in 'Parish Pump')*

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

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