

# EYNESHAM BAPTIST CHURCH

Newsletter – Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2026

## SUNDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> MARCH

10.30 a.m.

**MORNING SERVICE**

Led by Maureen Thompson

**Preacher Stephen Rand** (Orchard Baptist Church, Bicester)

The Cross at the centre of our faith: the cross as the servant king

(Philippians 2: 5-8 and Matthew 20: 24-20)

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

## THIS WEEK

### Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March

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

### Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March

10.30 a.m. **BIBLE STUDY** We meet in the hall 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays and everyone is very welcome.

12.00 noon **COMMUNION** A weekly, short, reflective service at which all are welcome.

### PALM SUNDAY - 29<sup>th</sup> March

9 - 1.00 p.m. **GATEHOUSE** Please drop donations at 15 Newland Street (*between these times only please*). Homemade cakes & sandwiches must be labelled.

10.30 a.m. **PALM SUNDAY SERVICE**  
(5<sup>th</sup> Sunday)

## FURTHER AHEAD

### MAUNDY THURSDAY - 2<sup>nd</sup> April

12.00 noon **COMMUNION** in main church, led by Revd S. Gaukroger.

Please join us for



Friday, April 3, 10:00 a.m.  
Eynsham Square

A brief, reflective gathering  
to consider the events of the  
first Good Friday

hot cross buns served afterwards

brought to you by the  
churches of Eynsham

## EASTER SUNDAY - Sunday 5th April

8.00 a.m. **COMMUNION** in the hall, followed by breakfast.

10.30 a.m. **CHILD FRIENDLY SERVICE**, followed by Easter Egg Hunt for the children.

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# LENT SUNDAY REFLECTION

## SUNDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> MARCH

### Old Testament Verse

#### **Psalm 127:1-2**

Unless the Lord builds the house, the builders labour in vain. Unless the Lord watches over the city, the guards stand watch in vain. In vain you rise early and stay up late, toiling for food to eat - for he grants sleep to those he loves.

### New Testament Verse

#### **Matthew 26:40-41**

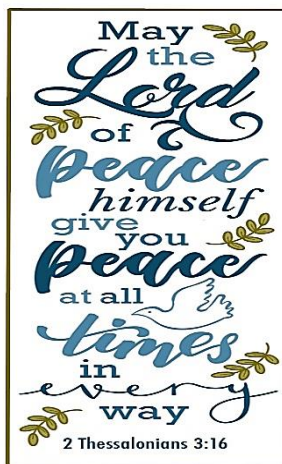
Then he returned to his disciples and found them sleeping. "Couldn't you men keep watch with me for one hour?" he asked Peter. <sup>41</sup> "Watch and pray so that you will not fall into temptation. The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak."

### Reflection

This is a week to reflect on our priorities. Have we got relationships with our family, our church family and our friends in a good place? Have we started well in our Christian walk in the past but have now run out of energy? If our flesh is weak, how we need to pray that the Holy Spirit will make our human spirit strong.

*Steve Gaukroger*

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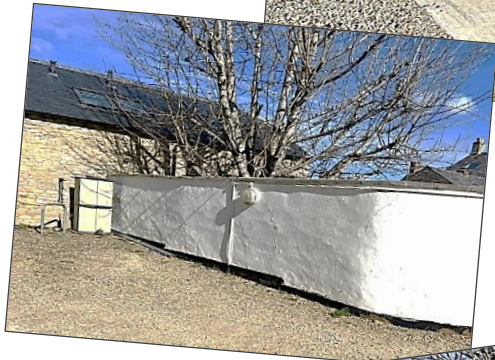
### **PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

**Larry, Nick G. Ann G. Chris W. Margaret, Audrey, Jane, Malcolm & Barbara** and all in our church family who are suffering ill health, or struggling with life issues. We pray that partners and families would be given strength to cope with difficult issues, and be able to support those they love in the best way possible.

*"The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; the LORD turn his face toward you and give you peace."*

*Numbers 6: 24-26*

**MANY THANKS** to all who came to help clear the church loft last Saturday morning:  
amazing to see how much had accumulated over the years!



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**MINISTER** - post vacant at present

**TRUSTEES**

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**CONTACTS**

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**Care and Support**

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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**

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