

EYNESHAM BAPTIST CHURCH

Newsletter – Saturday 25th April 2026

SUNDAY 26th APRIL

10.30 a.m. SERVICE

Led by Janet Gaukroger

Preacher Revd Stephen Gaukroger

'Resurrection responses: Peter - finally restored' (*John 21:15-19*)

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

The Transition Team will be available after the service for questions and feedback.



Revive Eynsham!
Sunday, April 26
@ Eynsham Baptist Church

7.00 p.m.—an opportunity for local Christians to worship together and pray for our village.
Refreshments served afterwards

THIS WEEK

Tuesday 28th April

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

Thursday 30th April

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

Friday 1st May

4.30 - 6.00 p.m. TEENS.

FURTHER AHEAD

Sunday 10th - Saturday 16th May

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK

<https://www.christianaid.org.uk/appeals/ky-appeals/christian-aid-week>

Sunday 17th May

PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE

12.00 noon CHURCH MEETING

Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.

MAY BIRTHDAYS

- 2nd - Darlington
- 8th - Paul
- 11th - Sheena
- 15th - Audrey - 100th birthday
- 17th - Jolyon
- 20th - Rose
- 23rd - Michael
- 24th - Jackie
- 25th - Gary
- 28th - Janet
- 28th - Georgie
- 30th - Pamela
- 30th - David



CIRCLES OF PRAYER

The following prayer was used at a recent Sunday morning service by Maureen ...

“The Circle of Prayer idea is from The Second Intercessions Handbook by John Pritchard, formerly Bishop of Oxford. I have used some of his words but obviously adapted it for our circumstances.”

Imagine for a moment that our prayers are like circles in a pond made by throwing a stone into the water. The surface is broken and we see circles emerge.

In the first circle are the people in our church family, some of whom for varying reasons cannot regularly meet together with us. So we pray, loving Father, for them today ... and for friends and those in our families ... who are ill, facing difficult diagnoses, or financial difficulties, or for whom advancing age and immobility bring frustration and isolation. We remember especially **Nick G.** and **Larry** and **Gary** and **Jane** and **Audrey** and **Chris W** and their loved ones, and others known to us who are unable to meet with us regularly, **Ann G,** **Margaret,** **Mary S.** and **Kay.**

The circle spreads ... in the second circle are the people of our wider community on whom we depend we pray for the teachers in the schools, the staff in the medical centre, the post men and women ... so many others the people we see but don't often register, let alone pray for. We thank you Father for their commitment and service to us and pray that you will bless them whatever their need or situation.

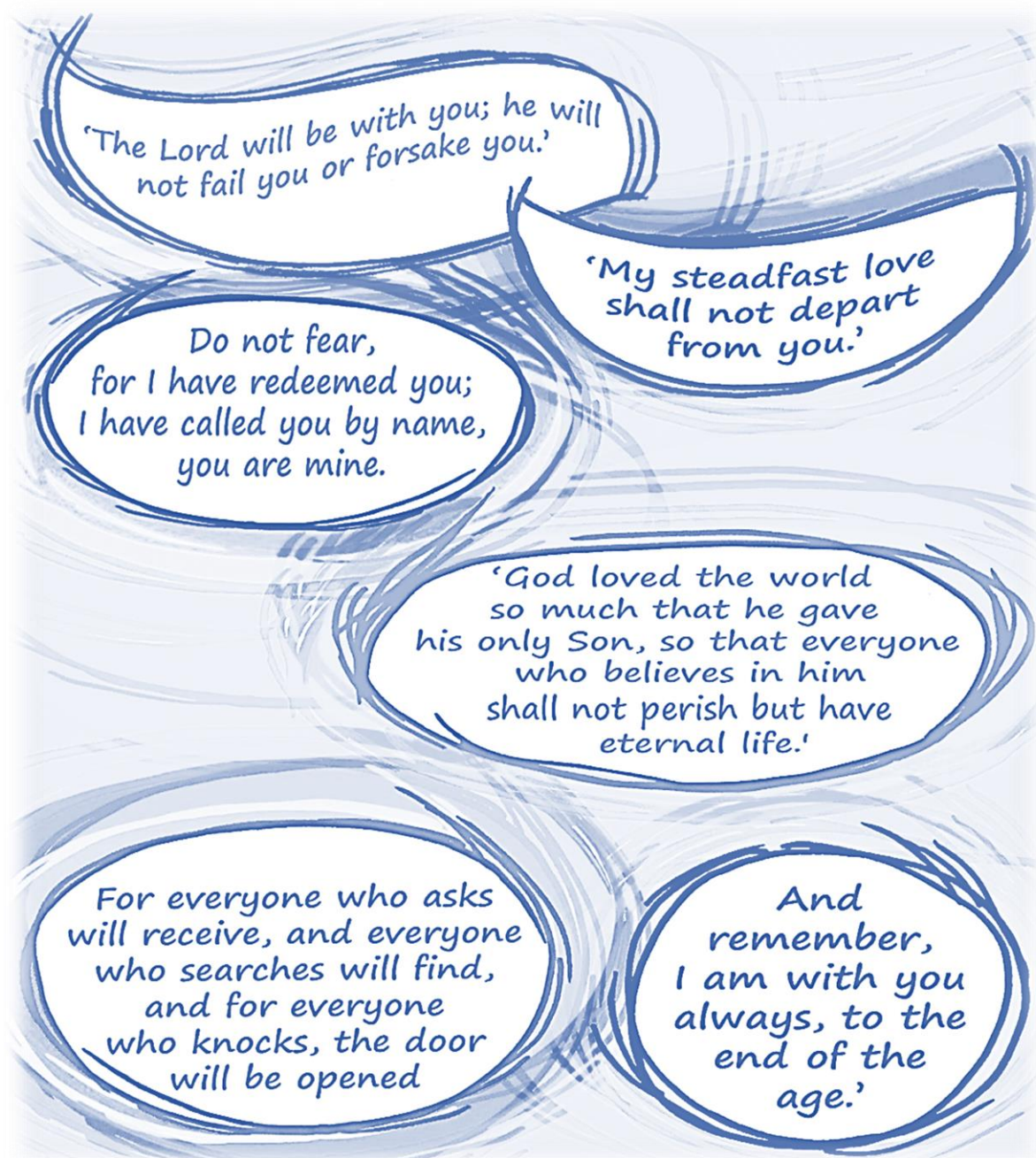
The circle spreads again. Loving Father we think of our country at the moment. We pray for wisdom for those who we elected to serve us in government. The problems they have to tackle at the moment are enormous – may they always act with integrity, putting the needs of the whole before personal gain or particular interests.

The circle spreads right out to the edges of the pond. Out here is the violence and greed of powerful people who have plunged the world into war in Iran, in Lebanon, in Gaza, in Ukraine, in Sudan. We pray for peace for the people of those countries - relief for the refugees and the injured and displaced, and that diplomacy, negotiation and compassion may replace bombs, and missiles and drones.

Loving father, our prayers may seem like a drop in the ocean ... or a pond ... but may they join the prayers of millions of others throughout the world yearning for peace, healing and hope in our troubled world.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord,

Amen.



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MINISTER - post vacant at present

TRUSTEES

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Asylum Welcome

Marcus Thompson 01865 881808
<https://www.asylum-welcome.org/>

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

Maureen - 01865 881808
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Messy Church

Maureen - 01865 881808
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Sue - 07796 955472

Newsletter

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Print Deadline mid-day Fridays
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Teens

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Sue - 07796 955472