

EYNESHAM BAPTIST CHURCH

Newsletter – Saturday 29th August 2026

SUNDAY 30th AUGUST

10.30 a.m. SERVICE 5th Sunday

Led by Janet Gaukroger

Preacher Revd Stephen Gaukroger

'Unknown Heroes: Epaphroditus' (*Philippians 2: 25-30*)

Services are being held in the hall during building work.
Please watch where you walk as there may be barriers and signs:
parents please supervise children.

Thursday 3rd September

10.00 a.m. COFFEE MORNING N.B. there will be no Derek's cards this month.

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

FURTHER AHEAD

Saturday 12th September

RIDE & STRIDE The annual Ride and Stride for Oxfordshire Historic Churches Trust (OHCT) raises funds to support the repair, maintenance and improvement of historic churches across the county.

Sunday 13th September

7.00 - 8.00 p.m. REVIVE EYNESHAM at St. Peter's Church, Eynsham. An opportunity for local Christians to worship together and pray for our community. Refreshments.

Sunday 4th October

10.30a.m. HARVEST 'ALL-AGE' SERVICE followed by **BRING & SHARE LUNCH.**

3.00 p.m. HARVEST 'SONGS OF PRAISE' a café style service + refreshments.

September Birthdays

1 st	Mary P.	17 th	Lucy
2 nd	Angel	19 th	Margaret
9 th	Anne O'C.	19 th	Noah
11 th	Pamela K.	22 nd	Priscilla
14 th	Adedoton	28 th	Rebecca
17 th	William		

SAD NEWS

As most of you will know, Malcolm Cook died at home on Saturday 25th July and, whilst we can rejoice that Malcolm is now with his heavenly Father and has no more pain or suffering, it is a sad and difficult time for Barbara, Jeremy, Hannah and family, and we send our sincere sympathies, love and prayers to them all. We give thanks for Malcolm's life and witness: he will be much missed.

Malcolm's Funeral Details:

There will be a Thanksgiving Service, which will be held on **Wednesday 2nd September** at St. Leonard's Church, 21 High Street, Eynsham, OX29 4HE **at 4:30 p.m.** followed by refreshments at Eynsham Baptist Church.

For those attending, car parking details can be found here:
Back Lane Carpark, 57 Back Lane, Eynsham, OX29 4QP.

For those who are unable to attend in person, I believe that we are going to try and live stream the service on YouTube. This will be on the Eynsham Baptist Church YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/@eynshambaptistchurch3045/streams>

A message from Barbara and Jeremy

"Jeremy and I can't thank you enough for all your wonderful love and care you have shown us over the past few weeks.

We are so grateful to all of you for your loving support and concern for us following Malcolm's passing. He was so happy at EBC as we both are. You have such a great and wonderful fellowship.

Thank you so much, with all our love."

Barbara and Jeremy

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- those in our church family who have been recently bereaved: **Jackie, Bethan, Carys and their families, and Barbara, Jeremy, Hannah and family.** May all know the peace and sustaining love of God in the months ahead as they come to terms with loss.
- those in our church family with health issues, having treatment, or recovering from surgery: **Larry, Gary, Katie, Audrey, Chris, Mary S. Margaret, Jane, Norma, Sue, David** and others.
- **Children - and teachers** - who are going back to school after long summer holidays and who may not be looking forward to it for lots of reasons. We pray especially for those who will be moving schools: **Priscilla** who will be starting at Bartholomew School, **Annamae, Grace and our other Teens** who are starting college or moving up into 6th form: may all settle in well and make new friends quickly.

THANK YOU

to everyone for the cards, best wishes and gifts we received for our Golden Wedding anniversary.

Nick and Sheila Wood

CHURCH REFURBISHMENT

As already advised, the major internal repairs/refreshment of the chapel are expected to continue through 'till the end of November. Services will continue to be held in the rear hall during this period. Please speak to Bob Thiele for more information.

INVITATION FROM ST LEONARD'S CHURCH, EYNHAM

Dear fellow brothers and sisters in Christ at Eynham Baptist Church, I am writing to you on behalf of the St Leonard's Creation Care group to invite members of Eynham Baptist Church to attend the screening of the *People's Emergency Briefing* film on the threats to British life from ongoing damage to nature and to our climate that we are hosting in St Leonard's in a few weeks.

Location: St Leonard's Church, Eynham

Date: Sunday 20th September 2026

Time: 4pm (tea and coffee from 3.45pm)

The film features footage from last November's National Emergency Briefing, bringing together leading UK experts in climate science, food security, health, economics, national security and nature.

It presents a calm, evidence-based overview of how the climate and nature crisis is affecting everyday life in Britain - and what the science says about risks and responses. The initiative is explicitly non-partisan and supported by a wide range of organisations, including the Church of England, National Trust, WWF, the Royal Meteorological Society and many others. Faith communities have long traditions of stewardship, care for the vulnerable, and intergenerational responsibility. We believe this is an important moment for thoughtful, compassionate local dialogue.

Following the 50-minute film, we will host a time of Christian response including prayer and discussion about what this means for our community. We would greatly value your presence and hope that you can share this invitation with the church family.

Victoria Thomas

EYNHAM FLOWER FESTIVAL

During the Carnival Weekend on 4th - 5th July St Leonard's church was filled with floral displays and a total of £218.33 was given in donations divided between Eynham Food Bank, Litter Pickers and Eynham Network (*Good Neighbour Scheme and Hospital Car Scheme*). Many thanks to Denise Launchbury for her display on behalf of EBC.

'CHEEP' BIRD SEED



There are **3 x 2.5kg** (3 x 5 ½ *lb*) bags of wild bird seed available **FREE**
for anyone who would like to collect them from Spareacre Lane:
email me on linmiller25@gmail.com

EYNSHAM BAPTIST CHURCH

Lombard Street, Eynsham OX29 4HT Email: eynsham.baptists@gmail.com

Website: <https://www.eynshambaptistchurch.co.uk>

TRUSTEES

Bob Thiele, Anne O'Connell, Marcus Thompson

TRANSITION TEAM

Bob, Maureen, June and Peter

HALL BOOKINGS

Rebecca Carley 07554 012535 bookings@eynshambaptistchurch.co.uk

CARE AND SUPPORT

Denise Launchbury - 01865 881128

Barbara Cook - 07896 271905 or 01865 375730

LUNCH CLUB

Maureen - 881808 Pamela - 426203

MESSY CHURCH

Maureen - 881808 June - 375130 Sue 07796 955472

TEENS

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ASYLUM WELCOME

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

FOOD BANK

CALL 07450 328530 TO REQUEST HELP

Donate in Co-op, Spar & Market Garden <https://bit.ly/Eynsham-FB>

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