The Methodist Church

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Easingwold Methodist Church is a Christ-centred community who seek to know and love Him and to make Him known to all. Our Calling is to **Worship** the One God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit: to **grow and develop** as his disciples and to **serve** Him in the local Community and wider world.

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EXPLORERS' PRAYER

Dear Father God - guide us in our worship, help us in our learning, bless us in our daily lives, in Jesus' name, Amen

WEEK BEGINNING SUNDAY 11th FEBRUARY 2024

Sunday 11th February

10.30am Morning Worship led by Mrs Alyson Christy Stewards: Jean Gray & Caroline Wheatley

Sunday 18th February

10.30am Holy Communion led by Rev David Bidnell Stewards: Jocelyn Pearson & Robert Farmer

Thursday 15th February

7:00pm- 9:00pm CTAE meeting in Vestry (new date rescheduled from 8th February)

Friday 16th February

Sally, our cleaner will be taking a day's holiday on this day. The church will be open as usual.

9:00 am Prayer Meeting in Vestry

Other things happening this week

CRAFT TEA

Wednesday 21st February 1.45pm - 4.00pm. Open To All An opportunity to knit a small basket, for putting chocolate mini eggs in as an Easter project. Please bring size 8/4mm knitting needles, some double knitting wool, scissors and a wool needle. Patterns and instructions will be available. There will be extra DK wool available too. Cost 50p Come and join us! Or bring your own project to work on. Or join us for tea/biscuits and a chat! Cost £1.00.

SAVE THE DATE - Tuesday 5th March

The Social Committee has arranged a visit to the Allerton Waste Recovery Park (AWRP) on Tuesday 5th March.

We shall be using our own vehicles, but obviously, will fill our cars.

Numbers are limited to 20 per visit so it is 'First come, first served!'

Please put your name on the list in the hall if you want to go.

Lent

The 14th February is the start of Lent (Ash Wednesday) when we, as Christians, walk with Christ towards the cross. It is in these sacred moments of Lent when we look and see the true light of God's risen son. To find renewal brought through Lent to give us courage to go on.

Together Constantly in Prayer

Today we pray for those whose stories are front and centre in our news

- for people caught up in accidents and incidents, war and disaster.

We lift them before God whose compassion fails not. We also pray for those whose stories are yesterday's news.

We think of the people of Japan who are still suffering from the after-effects of the devastating earthquake on New Year's Day. This killed 241 people and destroyed or badly damaged 55,000 homes. In Wajima, one of the worst hit towns, people are still without running water.

Caught up in the New Year celebrations, did the world forget?

Lord, you are always working even though we might not see it, in difficult times of suffering and pain, walking next to us. You are the light in the darkest of times, the hope when all seems lost and the strength when we fall. Help us to trust in your plan. (Ealish Ayres)

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God be with me now, in this moment, in this time. God be with me now, in my thoughts, in my dreams. God be with me now, this hour, this day, every day. Amen (Sam Monaghan) Notices for week beginning 18th February 2024: Please contact Carolyn on 01347 822787 or e-mail carolyn.hardie@gmail.com by 11.00am on Friday.