



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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You are most welcome to this Church today. Whether you are visiting the area, have recently moved to Easingwold or are worshipping here for the first time, we hope that you feel at home and know God's blessing. We would be very pleased to know who you are, and there are cards available in the chairs in Church for you to complete with your contact details.

WEEK BEGINNING SUNDAY 28TH OCTOBER 2018

Sunday 28th October

10:30am Morning Service led by Mr Vic Paylor
Stewards: Ken Hopwood & Chris Andrews

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

3.30pm No Service at Easingwold

Friday 2nd November

8:30am Prayer Meeting in Vestry

Saturday 3rd November

9.15am Churches Together prayer breakfast in
the Catholic church hall

Other Church Bookings

Monday	11:00 - 12:30	Singing for All - Lounge & Kitchen
Tuesday	19:30 - 21:30	Easingwold Singers - Hall & Lounge
Wednesday	10:00 - 16:00	Boot Shop Drama - Hall, Lounge, Kitchen

Sunday 4th November

10:30am Morning Service led by Mrs Mo Onyett
Stewards: Daphne Dureé & Carolyn Hardie-Forsyth

3.30pm 'Remembering service' led by Rev Elizabeth Cushion
Stewards: Colin & Daphne Dureé

Trip to Iona with the Anglican Church, 18th May – 25th May 2019

A single room is available. If you are interested in going please contact Susan Graves for details. 822416.

Circuit synod at Lidgett Methodist Church Saturday 10th November from 10.00am-3.30pm

This will be a new kind of circuit gathering, which is being called a 'Circuit Synod'. With the need to develop a strategy to help the circuit with the challenges and opportunities we are facing, we want to bring together a wider group of people to look at how we might operate.

Church stewards, church treasurers and circuit council reps are invited.
If anyone else feels they would like to be involved please see Elizabeth.

Bring your own packed lunch and come ready to think, pray and talk about what shape the circuit might take and how it can help local churches in mission and ministry.

Hello from Kim

Edited extract from Kim Gabbatiss's letter

Continuing my Journey WITH God

Dear Friends and faithful pray-ers!!

I am very much aware of being held in prayer and surrounded by God's love. Please do keep in touch. I would love to hear from you. Please continue to pray:

Giving thanks:

for such love, support and generosity received in different ways for new neighbours, new friendships and relationships forming that I feel at such peace and have settled so quickly and

Asking God

To help me to gain a sense of rhythm to my day/week

To keep a healthy balance of work and leisure

To make the right choice about a link church, where I can be myself, nurtured and also be useful, both in the life of the church and in the community.

Having been accepted for pre-ordination training for the Methodist Church, I left our family home in York, on 12th September, bound for The Queen's Foundation College, Edgbaston, Birmingham, where I will study for the next 2 years.

Since moving to Queen's, I have been learning what it means to live in such a diverse community. There are full-time residents, weekly commuters, daily commuters, part-time students who join us for several weekends throughout the year, independent students and also various members of staff live on-site too. I am part of different groups and have so much support in place. It is amazing!

- A worship group, where we are allocated one week to lead worship each day.
- Part of a cell group
- I have a personal tutor
- I have an accompanist
- As a member of the Methodist Diaconal Order, I have a 'wise senior'.
- There is also a 'buddy' system... 1st years/2nd years – supporting each other.

We are also encouraged to offer our time in different ways, which may challenge or 'stretch' us, or draw on our existing experience or strengths. I have signed up to be part of the 'Social Justice Group'. I have also offered to be part of the team leading Kids at Queens, twice per half term. I am going to be helping to lead All-Age Worship too, which takes place once per term.

At times, all of this has felt quite overwhelming and I have just longed to be alone! I am looking forward to finding the rhythm of my day and my week. During our time off, we have been encouraged to find a 'link church', which will be our spiritual home and where we might offer service, through

preaching/leading worship, as well as being part of the life of the church in other ways. I have visited two very different churches and have yet to make up my mind as to where my heart is drawn to be.

Having lived in York all of my life, I feel I need to gain some experience of other cultures and Birmingham is rich in many different cultures.

With love and prayers. *Kim* 8th October 2018

A Methodist perspective on the definition of marriage

Tuesday 13th November 2.00pm at Bishopthorpe Methodist Church

At the Methodist Conference in July there was a presentation and debate on what marriage in the 21st century looks like. You are invited to come and watch a recording of this session and to have an opportunity for comments and questions. This will allow us to begin to understand the discussion, and how the Methodist church is moving on this topic.

Together Constantly in Prayer:

Please take a moment each morning to join us in prayer.

1. Give thanks to Jesus for his great love for us that when we were without hope he came and brought us into his family through his death for us.
2. Pray for our circuit as we look to the future and seek to find ways of managing with fewer ministers.

Country for prayer: Guatemala

Population 14.4 million with most from a Christian heritage.

Guatemala is a mainly agricultural country but it does have a serious drugs issue as much of the illegal cocaine bound for USA passes through it. Pray for the government and churches as they seek to address the social problems of street children, substance abuse and illiteracy.

Notices for week beginning 4th November 2018:

Please contact Carolyn on 01347 822787 or e-mail carolyn.hardie@gmail.com or leave a notice in the vestry drawer by 11.00am on Friday.