The **Methodist** Church

Chapel Street, Easingwold, York. YO61 3AE www.easingwoldmethodists.org.uk

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.

Senior Steward &

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WEEK BEGINNING SUNDAY 11th MAY 2025

Sunday 11th May

10:30am Morning Worship live streamed from Huntington

Participate with us in church or in your own home

https://youtube.com/@huntingtonmethodistchurch?si=YexXhHTw BcqFoE1v

Stewards: Helena Papps & Carolyn Hardie-Forsyth

7.00pm **Byland Abbey Service**

Revd John Hayward will lead this Open Air Communion service, organised by Villages

Together.

Sunday 18th May Church 50th Anniversary Celebration

10.30am Celebratory worship led by Rev Elizabeth Cushion

& Rev Ruth Duck

Stewards: Jocelyn Pearson & Caroline Wheatley

Followed by Bring & Share Lunch

Friday 16th May

9:00am - 9:30am Prayer Meeting in Vestry

Saturday 17th Church 50th Anniversary Celebration

10.00am -12 noon Coffee morning with Town Band

Easingwold Advertiser & Church 50th Anniversary Celebrations

Our very local paper is providing a full page of pictures about Easingwold Methodist Church from 1975 to 2024. It will be published next week and is available from Thursday, 15th May.

Other things happening this week

| Tues | 10:00am -12:00pm | Little Fishes | Chapel, Hall & Lounge |
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| | 3:30 pm - 6:00 pm | After School Club | Hall |
| | 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm | Easingwold Singers | Hall |
| Wed | 3:30 pm - 6:00 pm | After School Club | Hall |
| | 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm | Brownies | Hall |
| | 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm | Guides | Lounge |
| Thurs | 3:30 pm - 6:00 pm | After School Club | Hall |

Quiet Day at Ampleforth

This has now been arranged for 10th June at The Grange, Ampleforth Abbey. Beginning with coffee at 10.00, and concluding at about 4.30pm. There are still a few places available, so please let me know if you are interested. *Ruth Duck*

Peaced Together - A 9-Week Creative Arts Course for Women Mondays 7.00-9.00 pm at Haxby & Wiggington Methodist Church

on: May 12th, 19th

June 2nd, 9th, 23rd, 30th

July 7th, 14th, 21st

£75 for the whole course, with £25 deposit plus two further instalments of £25

A place to build confidence, find friendship and learn a new skills. A space to reflect, learn and grow, in a creative way. All craft materials are provided and no artistic skills are necessary!

CRAFT TEA Wednesday 21st May 1.45pm - 4.00pm

An opportunity to make a notelet book.

Please bring the following :-

- 1 sheet of A4 paper
- 2 pieces of thick card (cereal box, or thicker) 4.5 ins x 3.5 ins (11.5 cms x 8.5 cms)
- 2 pieces of fabric at least 1 ins (2.5 cms) bigger in both directions
- 1 piece of matching or contrasting fabric approx 3 ins square (7.5 cms)
- 2 pieces of thick cord elastic approx 10 ins (26cms) long
- 2 pieces thin pretty card or paper slightly smaller than the thick card
- A short pencil or pen 4.5 ins (11.5 cms) long
- · Needle and thread, scissors, ruler
- Glue stick

There will be plenty of instruction! Extra fabric and cord elastic will be available. Cost £1.00

Come and join us! Or bring your own project to work on.

Or join us for tea/biscuits and a chat! Cost £2.00.

Flourish 2026: 13-15 February 2026

Tickets for Flourish 2026 are now on sale ... and it's taking place in York this time.

Flourish is a huge event run by our local Methodist District with speakers, workshops and worship. The theme this time will be "Woven Threads".

Full details and information about tickets and travel can be found at: https://www.yorkshirenemethodist.org/flourish26/

NB Free parking at the University of York during the weekend, and various ticket prices for different categories and days.

Notices for week beginning 18th May 2025:

Please contact Carolyn on 01347 822787 or e-mail carolyn.hardie@gmail.com by 11.00am on Friday.

Together Constantly in Prayer

Lord, help us to know your presence in our own lives, so that our words would carry your healing into places of pain, our actions reveal your love at times of loss, and our presence invite Your grace into the lives of others. Loving God, help us to hear your whisper within the great roar of this world. Amen.

Lord God we ask you this day to put your arm around people who are fatherless; people who have suffered in loveless families; people for whom the words, 'father' and 'mother' carry enormous sorrow and memories of abuse. Help us all, dear Lord, to be open to their pain, and to recognise our place in sharing your love with all our brothers and sisters. Amen (Alan Jordan, lay pastor and member of Methodist Survivor Policy Group)

Sometimes you may face difficulties in your life, not because you are doing something wrong but because you are doing something right. (Nicky Gumbel)

A river cuts through rock not because of its power but because of its persistence.
(Thought for the day online)

God of peace, We give thanks for the courage and sacrifice of those who died in the fight for freedom.

As we mark 80 years since VE Day, help us to remember with gratitude, and commit ourselves to peace today.

May we honour the past by building a future shaped by hope, justice and love.

Through Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace, Amen