



# 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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<b>WEEK BEGINNING SUNDAY 25<sup>th</sup> MAY 2025</b>
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## Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> May

10.30am

Morning worship led by Mrs Elaine Thompson

Stewards: Jean Gray & Robert Farmer

## Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> June

10.30am

Morning worship led by Mrs Victoria Etherington

Stewards: Helena Papps & Robert Farmer

**Monday 26<sup>th</sup> May**    **BANK HOLIDAY**  
Church Closed

2.00pm - 4.00pm    **Cream Teas** at Huby by Villages Together.  
We offer a warm welcome and conversation.  
Do come and join us.

**Friday 30<sup>th</sup> May**  
9:00am - 9:30am    Prayer Meeting in Vestry

9:45am - 11:30am    **Oasis Café** in Hall & Lounge

### **Other things happening this week**

Thurs    2:00 pm - 4:30 pm    Charity Meeting x 2    Vestry

**General Church Meeting & Council Meeting**  
Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June at 1:30pm - 3:00pm in Lounge

### **Church Anniversary**

The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration last weekend was a truly joyous occasion; with lots of happy memories, good singing, good food, and fellowship. Thanks also to Easingwold Town Band and our visiting organist on the day, Peter Metcalfe.

Michèle has put photographs from both days on the Church Website.

### **Friendship**

Writing as one who has benefitted enormously from friends over recent months may I recommend that you watch last Sunday's edition of `Songs of Praise` on BBC TV (or catch up with it on i-

player). The overall theme is faith and friendship and it includes an interview with Sheridan Voysey whose research found that 1 in 5 people have no close friends and 1 in 10 have no friends at all. Give thanks for the pastoral care that our church offers and pray that our Lord will alert you to opportunities for you to befriend a local person in need. *Brian*

### **Together Constantly in Prayer**

There was a time, Lord, when an eye for eye and a tooth for a tooth, though brutal, limited the damage. Now, nations can maim or kill those they do not see; technology has made war so impersonal and people so cheap. In the face of this, we sense our utter weakness and rely on your inestimable strength. We lift the nations to you Lord, who are fighting still.

We give thanks for the peacemakers who work tirelessly for reconciliation.

Blessed are those who see beneath differences - the image of God stamped on all humanity. Blessed are those who turn weapons into welcome signs and the lust for power into a desire for peace. Amen

(Adapted from More Than Words)

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### **All Means All**

I don't want to be a member of an exclusive club,  
open only to a select few, concerned with rules and laws,  
and who is in or out.

I want to be part of a church that lives and breathes belonging.  
The embodiment of acceptance, our wide expanse of  
welcome, a holy haven, for all the hungry hearts.

So, Lord, let us be, the incarnation of inclusion.  
A tiny slice of heaven, in our little corner of this earth  
where .....  
all means all  
                    means all.

(Karen Kaiser)

**Notices for week beginning 1<sup>st</sup> June 2025:**

Please contact Carolyn on 01347 822787 or  
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