



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.

Senior Steward &

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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 7th JULY 2024

Sunday 7th July

10.30am Circuit Service at Acomb Methodist Church

You can watch the service live at home via the Circuit Youtube channel: <https://youtube.com/live/Nmj0wNwNjOY?feature=share>

Sunday 14th July

10.30am Holy Communion led by Rev David Bidnell

Stewards: Helena Papps & Carolyn Hardie-Forsyth

4.00pm

Choral Evensong at Easingwold Parish Church
Celebrating the music of C.V. Stanford
All welcome

Circuit Service - 7th July

Service at Acomb to say goodbye to Andy Lindley, who is moving circuit this summer, and Louisa Taylor, who is going to train for ordained ministry. We hope lots of people will join us there.

If possible, please can you plan to park in the Morrisons car park at Acomb or elsewhere nearby, so that those who most need to park close to the church can have space in the church car park?

Tuesday 9th July

12:30pm - 1:20pm Property & Finance Committee in Vestry

1:30pm - 3:00pm Church Council in Hall

Friday 12th July

9:00am No Prayer meeting

Saturday 13th July

8:45am United prayer meeting at MCAT

Other things happening this week

Monday	11:00 am - 12:30 pm	Singing for All	Lounge
Tuesday	7:30 pm - 9:00 pm	Easingwold Singers	Hall
Wednesday	6:00 pm - 7:30 pm	Brownies	Hall
	7:30 pm - 9:00 pm	Guides	Lounge

Auditor for Church Accounts

In mid-September we need an independent auditor for the church accounts. Our previous contact is no longer able to do this for us. If you know someone who is suitably qualified and able to do this we would be very grateful. This is a Methodist Church requirement.

Please contact a member of the Treasurer's team. Thank you

CRAFT TEA Wednesday 17th July 1.45pm - 4.00pm Open to all
Come and be creative as we put together a collage, either individually or as a group, focussing on concerns such as climate change, the environment, energy, pollution, poverty, enmity, the list could go on!

Please bring scissors, needle, pieces of material, felt, sewing/embroidery thread, beads, buttons, ribbon, and waste plastic. Use and reuse items already to hand, no need to buy anything! We'll have plenty of ideas to share and materials too! Look up CRAFTIVISM on the internet to see a definition and a multitude of ideas to show concerns around us and the world, to make a difference.

Or bring your own project to work on.

Or join us for tea/biscuits and a chat. Cost £1.00

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### **Together Constantly in Prayer**

Lord, we pray for all farmers. Not only must they battle with the difficulties brought on by the weather, but they also face an increase in crimes committed on their lands whilst there are so few specialist rural police officers to protect them.

Lord help them in their struggles.

We pray for those of our congregation who can no longer worship with us. We give thanks for their faithful witness here in this church and pray that they may receive the care and love they need at this time in their lives.

Refresh us, Lord, so that we may remain strong of faith and resilient in the face of the demands placed upon us. Help us to trust in You even when we don't understand Your plan for us. Is that not what faith is? Give us again and again the joy of Your salvation so that our love does not become cold and complacent.  
Amen

There was a documentary on the hymn 'Amazing Grace' and in one of the scenes it showed Wembley Stadium in London, where several bands gathered for a rock festival. The concert lasted for 12 hours, you can imagine the mood of the crowd by the end of that time, some of them high on drink and drugs. The festival concluded with a song from an opera singer by the name of Jessie Norman - an African-American woman. She chose as her song, 'Amazing Grace'. Without any accompaniment, she began to sing slowly: 'Amazing Grace.....'

By the time she reached the last verse, a strange power had descended on the stadium. All was quiet. Non-Christians as well as Christians are amazed by Grace. Though we may not realise it all the time, that is what we all thirst for. And when it is seen - not just sung - then all the world will fall silent before it. It's amazing. Utterly amazing.

Doesn't it strike you as fascinating that the last word in the Bible is a word about Grace? And so it should be, it is not only the first word in everything but the last word also. Nothing is greater than Grace. Nothing! (Our Daily Bread Ministries)

**Notices for week beginning 14<sup>th</sup> July 2024**

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