

Coming up

Midlands Men's Convention: Saturday 3rd November at Cornerstone Church in Nottingham. This year the theme is 'Unashamed – The Gospel: the better story'. Tickets cost £18 (£10 concessions). This is the last week for signing up if you would like to come. See Toby for more information.

Fellowship group: Tuesday 6th November, 1.45pm at Coppice Road. The speaker will be from Troop Aid.

Church Council: The PCC meets on Tuesday 6th November, 8.00pm at "the Church in the Park". Documents will be circulated to PCC members soon.

Quiet day: Saturday 24th November, 9.30 - 4.00pm at St Swithin's House, Barston. Tickets £10. Please sign up in the Wilberforce Hall if you are interested or see Charlie for more information.

Also...

Missed a Sunday? As well as listening to the sermon on our website, you can now find our Podcast on iTunes and Spotify – just search for "Elmdon Church Sermons".

Junk materials: We need glass jars, plastic margarine tubs and old egg boxes for forthcoming instalments of Acorns and Roots & Shoots. Please leave them on the junk table upstairs. Kelly will also need nine hundred 500g margarine tubs with lids for a craft workshop she is leading at Spring Harvest 2020, so please get eating!

Men's breakfast: We would like to use our new kitchen to cook a regular men's breakfast. What would be the best day and time for this? Please let Toby know your thoughts. The leading contender at the moment is a Saturday morning at 9.00am.

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"The Church in the Park"

The clocks go back next Sunday The clocks go back next Sunday

21st October 2018

"Be on guard! Be alert!"

Mark chapter thirteen, verse 33 (Church Bibles, page 1019)

Welcome to Elmdon Church. It's lovely to see you!

Sunday

10.30am Holy Communion with groups for children & young people.

Rob Dean will speak on Mark 13:32 - 37.

Got a question? Email sermon.questions@elmdonchurch.org

1.30 - 4.00pm Open Church

In the week

Mon 22 Oct	Afternoon Praise: 2.00pm at Gaydon Road. Prayer group: 7.45pm at 142 Valley Road.
Tue 23 Oct	Women's Bible study: 10.00am at Elmdon Church. Afternoon Praise: 2.00pm at Coppice Road.
Wed 24 Oct	Acorns toddler group: 9.30am at Elmdon Church.

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Read & pray...

Monday *Mark 13:32 - 37*

- The stalling Brexit process.
- Staff, managers and contractors at JLR as they begin their enforced two-week shutdown.
- Our EcoChurch group, helping us integrate our biblical insights into God's design for creation with the lives that we actually lead.
- Those who are bereaved, including the families of Iris Campbell, Marlene Collinson and Elspeth Geoghan.

Tuesday *Ezekiel 24:1 - 27*

- All who suffer from corruption, and all who fight it.
- The Coppice Junior School governing body, meeting this evening.
- Acorns, meeting tomorrow, and its message of light triumphing over darkness (an antidote to Halloween).
- Those who are sick, including Moyra Bate and Dave Kimber.

Wednesday *Ezekiel 25:1 - 26:21*

- The current financial crises in Argentina, Pakistan and Turkey.
- Christian residents of Stockwell Rise and Stoney Close, that they might be confident in sharing their faith with their neighbours.
- Toby, leading assembly at Coppice Junior School this afternoon.
- Church members: Marjorie Allcott, Rob & Maxine Anderton.

Thursday *Ezekiel 27:1 - 36*

- Victims of famine, civil war and disease in Yemen.
- Staff and patients at the Birmingham Community Healthcare Trust, recently rated 'inadequate' by inspectors.
- Toby Crowe, preparing to preach on Sunday.
- Those who are bereaved, including the families of Judith Kemp, Betty Urquhart and Dorothy Walton.

Friday *Ezekiel 28:1 - 26*

- Refugees, fleeing Venezuela, and the government of President Maduro.
- Children in our local schools, finishing their half-term today.
- Church members, travelling to the Midlands Men's Convention next week.
- Those who are sick, including Joyce Malins and Mary Reynolds.

Saturday *Ezekiel 29:1 - 30:19*

- Those who suffer from mental illness.
- Unbelieving residents of Stockwell Rise and Stoney Close, that they might come to know and follow Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord.
- The church-planting conference, taking place in Birmingham today, and members of our church who are attending it.
- Church members: Dave & Christine Arnsby, Sarah Baldwin.

Sunday *Mark 14:1 - 11*

- Political and ethnic tensions in Jerusalem and the Holy Land.
- West Midlands Police, struggling to pay an extra £20 million in pension costs ordered by the UK government.
- Abbie and Holly, for whom we give thanks in our service this morning, and that we ourselves will meet Jesus as we gather.
- A better understanding of what it might mean to call 2019 our "year of decision and purpose".

Please send prayer requests to prayer@elmdonchurch.org and note that names will usually appear for a month at a time.

You can receive these prayers through the free PrayerMate app or by our daily email bulletin. Details at www.elmdonchurch.org/prayer

*We have a prayer chain for urgent prayer needs.
Please email prayer@elmdonchurch.org or call 0121-743 6336.*

Next Sunday, 28th October

10.30am Thanksgiving for the gift of children, all ages together.

Toby Crowe will speak on Mark 14:1 - 11.

1.30 - 4.00pm Open Church

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