

Coming up

Joint meeting, Church Council (PCC) and the Mission Support Group:
Tuesday 26th February, 7.30pm at Elmdon Church.

NEW Families' Bible study group, starting Saturday 2nd March, 10.30am
at Elmdon Church, then fortnightly. Please see Elizabeth Smye.

Roots & Shoots activities for children and families: Sunday 3rd March,
3.00pm at Elmdon Church. Free entry, tea provided.

Also...

Our mission in 2019: There are copies of our plan for the year in the
Wilberforce Hall. We continue to refine some of the wording. This week we
are looking at the fifth 'Gospel emphasis', which is about conversion.

Questions and comments to rector@elmdonchurch.org

Midlands Ministry Training Course: This is an in-depth course, run over
one or two years, for anyone who wants to know the Bible better and be better
equipped to read it with others. It would also be great preparation for anyone
interested in developing a preaching ministry. A few church members are
already keen to find out more. Please see Toby if you want to join them.

The Asikus, our mission partners at Wycliffe Bible Translators in Uganda,
are now on leave in the UK. They will be joining us in Elmdon on 7th April.
Can somebody host them the night before? Please speak to Lesley Huss.

Ros Johnson has now moved to Shirley. We pray for her as she settles in.

Sermons this month: We continue our series on 'Ancient promise, future
fulfilled', looking at Romans chapters 9 - 11.

Missed a Sunday? You can find our Podcast on iTunes and Spotify – just
search for "Elmdon Church Sermons".

Eco tip: Join the litter pick in Elmdon Park before church, 9.00 - 10.00am,
last Sunday in every month. Meet by the playground. Equipment provided.

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on Wednesday 20th February to news@elmdonchurch.org please.
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"The Church in the Park"

17th February 2019

***"If you confess with your mouth, 'Jesus is Lord',
and believe in your heart that God raised him from
the dead, you will be saved"***

Romans chapter ten, verse 9 (Church Bibles, page 1137)

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

Sunday

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

Richard Huss will speak on Romans 9:30 - 10:13.

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

1.30 - 4.00pm Open Church

In the week

Mon 18 Feb **Women's Bible study:** 10.00am at Elmdon Church.

Holy Communion: 2.00pm at Gaydon Road.

Prayer group: 7.45pm at 142 Valley Road.

Tue 19 Feb **Bible study:** 10.30am at 706 Old Lode Lane.

Discussion group: 2.00pm at Coppice Road.

Rector Revd Toby Crowe **Children & Families' Worker** Kelly Purdy
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Read & pray...

Monday *Romans 9:30 - 10:13*

- Peace in Nigeria after the postponement of last Saturday's elections.
- Christian residents of Barnfield Drive and Billsmore Green, that they might be confident in sharing their faith with their neighbours.
- Those attending our Holy Communion service on Gaydon Road.
- Those who are bereaved, including the families of Gordon Banks, Philip Benton, Michael Green, Reginald & Dorothy Hall and Nicky Westwood.

Tuesday *Zechariah 10:1 - 11:17*

- The constitutional crisis in the United States following President Trump's decision to invoke emergency powers.
- The long-running bins dispute in Birmingham as it escalates again.
- Toby, our Rector, leading a double funeral at Robin Hood today.
- Newborns and their families, including baby Jacob and mum Lauren.

Wednesday *Zechariah 12:1 - 14:21*

- Rising tensions between India and Pakistan in Kashmir.
- Unbelieving residents of Barnfield Drive and Billsmore Green, that they might come to know and follow Jesus as Saviour and Lord.
- Rob Dean, preparing to preach on Sunday.
- Regular attenders: Sarah Baldwin, Moyra Bate and Chris Beere.

Thursday *Malachi 1:1 - 4:6*

- Brexit. Show us a way through, Lord, please!
- Children and staff at local schools, preparing to start the second half of term on Monday.
- Council Council (PCC) and Mission Support Group members, preparing for a joint meeting of the two committees next Tuesday.
- Those who are sick, including Margaret Glenn and Diane Goodwin.

***"We preach Christ crucified".
Nobody and nothing but Him.***

Friday *Matthew 1:1 - 2:23*

- The people of Egypt as attempts are made to extend President Sisi's term of office until 2034.
- Patients, staff and managers of A & E departments throughout the country as waiting times hit a fifteen-year high.
- Our four Bible study groups, and the opportunity to start more.
- Regular attenders: Alan & Gill Carter, Mike & Chris Cherry.

Saturday *Matthew 3:1 - 4:25*

- The presidential election in Nigeria, rescheduled to take place today.
- Solihull Moors Football Club, top of the Vanarama National Conference, playing AFC Telford this afternoon.
- Our bid for bronze-level status as an Eco-Church.
- Those who are sick, including Dave Kimber and Mary Reynolds.

Sunday *Romans 10:12 - 21*

- Supporters and fighters for the Islamic State group as they return to the UK, and security services as they work to counter the continuing threat.
- Our local secondary schools: Lode Heath and Lyndon.
- Our service today, that we will come in joyful expectation of hearing God speak through his Word and meeting him as we come to his table.
- Open Church, our Sunday afternoon hospitality and evangelistic event.

*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, 24th February

10.30am Holy Communion, all ages together.

Rob Dean will speak on Romans 10:12 - 21.

1.30 - 4.00pm Open Church