

Coming up

Breast Cancer Haven Easter tea cosy event: Wednesday 10th April, 2.30pm on Coppice Road. Entrance £2.50, plus Easter items for sale.

Dave Arnsby's funeral: Friday 12th April, 10.45am committal at Yardley Crematorium, followed by a Thanksgiving at Elmdon Church from 11.30am. Please let Christine know if you would like to stay for lunch afterwards. Visit the memorial web page at <https://david-arnsby.muchloved.com/>

Our annual report will be published next Sunday, 14th April, ready for our **Annual Church Meeting:** Monday 29th April, 8.00pm at Elmdon Church.

Hatchford Brook Churches Together open air service: Good Friday, 11.30am outside Savers, Coventry Road shopping parade in Sheldon.

Also...

New Electoral Roll: Next Sunday is the last day for joining the new Roll. Spare application forms can be found upstairs.

Good Friday at Elmdon Church: We need more people to help run our evangelistic crafts event for children and families. Please see Toby or Kelly. We also need many more individually-wrapped chocolate eggs.

Midlands Ministry Training Course: This is an in-depth Bible and ministry course, run over 1 or 2 years. Please see Toby for more information.

Sermons in Lent: Today we continue our Lent series, 'All things bright and beautiful?', looking at God's plan for creation from a biblical perspective.

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

Eco tip: Visit www.warwickshirewildlifetrust.org.uk to see how you can help local wildlife flourish.

New members needed for our cleaning teams. Please see Jean Wooding.

News for 14th April edition (40 words max) by 7pm on Wednesday 10th April to news@elmdonchurch.org please. We are an EcoChurch and this document is printed on recycled paper. It is also available on our website and via email.



"The Church in the Park"

7th April 2019

***"He is before all things,
and in him all things hold together".***
Colossians chapter one, verse 17 (Church Bibles, page 1182)

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

Sunday

10.30am Holy Communion with groups for children & young people.
Dave Kimber will speak on Colossians 1:15 - 23.

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

1.30 - 4.00pm Open Church

In the week

Mon 8 April **Women's Bible study:** 10.00am at Elmdon Church.
Bible study: 2.00pm at Gaydon Road.

Tue 9 Apr **Bible study:** 10.00am at 706 Old Lode Lane.
Bible study: 2.00pm at Coppice Road.
Church prayer night: 8.00pm at Elmdon Church.

Wed 10 April **Acorns** toddler group: 9.30am at Elmdon Church.
Bible study: 7.30pm at 57 Ulleries Road.

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

Monday *Colossians 1:15 - 23*

- All affected by recent flooding in Khuzestan province, Iran.
- The families of the 21 people killed in the 1974 bombings, that justice might follow last week's inquest verdicts.
- Toby, our Rector, travelling to an overnight conference today.
- Those who are bereaved, including the families of David Arnsby, David Biggs, Josie Garton and Diane Goodwin.

Tuesday *Luke 7:1 - 50*

- The people of Israel, voting in today's general election.
- Mayor Flo Nash and our local councillors – Laura McCarthy, Martin McCarthy and Glenis Slater – as Solihull Council meets tonight.
- Our church prayer night, taking place this evening.
- Those who are sick, including Don Stanton and Stephen Young.

Wednesday *Luke 8:1 - 56*

- The UK and EU authorities, still (!) negotiating Brexit.
- Christian residents of Eden Road and Elmdon Close, that they might be confident in sharing their faith with their neighbours.
- Toby, leading an assembly at Coppice Junior School today.
- Regular attenders: Dave & Sue Landreth and Pat Lyons.

Thursday *Luke 9:1 - 62*

- The people of India, where a long general election begins today.
- Staff of Solihull JLR as the plant undergoes a two-week shutdown.
- Karen Matthews, preparing to preach on Sunday, and all who will be leading groups for children and young people.
- Those who are bereaved, including the families of Terry Haden, Paul McAuley and Doreen Youill.

“We preach Christ crucified”.
Nobody and nothing but Him.

Friday *Luke 10:1 - 11:28*

- Peace talks in Afghanistan between the government and the Taliban.
- Unbelieving residents of Eden Road and Elmdon Close, that they might come to know and follow Jesus as Saviour and Lord.
- Preparations for our evangelistic event on Good Friday when we expect to welcome many adults and children to Elmdon Church to hear about Jesus.
- Those who are sick, including Julie Ziarko and Marjorie Allcott.

Saturday *Luke 11:29 - 12:48*

- The enduring legacy of colonialism, 100 years after the Amritsar Massacre.
- Pupils and staff from local schools, beginning their Easter holidays.
- People from local churches attending Word Alive and Spring Harvest.
- Regular attenders: Sarah Leckie & Florence, Eli Malkin.

Sunday *Revelation 21:1 - 6 and 22:1 - 5*

- The people of Japan, preparing for the start of a new Era next month.
- Our service this morning, that the Lord will speak powerfully to us as we hear his word and meet in fellowship round his table.
- New arrangements for church-wardening in Elmdon.
- Preparations for our annual meeting on 29th April, including today's publication of our annual report.

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, 14th April – Palm Sunday
10.30am Holy Communion with groups for children & young people.
Karen Matthews will speak on Revelation 21:1 - 6 and 22:1 - 5.

1.30 - 4.00pm Open Church