

Coming up

Next Sunday is Pentecost. You are invited to wear something red as a reminder of the spiritual fire which God promises to kindle in his people.

‘Music in the Park’, a D-Day special: Sunday 9th June, 2.00 - 4.15pm in Elmdon Park. We need more Open Church helpers that day. Please see Morris.

‘From Pharaoh to Freedom’, a musical by Roger Jones: Sunday 9th June, 6.30pm at Marston Green Baptist Church, 19 Land Lane, B37 7DE. Free entry.

Church prayer night: Tuesday 11th June, 8.00pm at Elmdon Church.

The Start! course for Acorns adults who want to know more about Jesus: Fridays, 9.30 - 11.00am, six weeks from 14th June at “the Church in the Park”.

‘Putting the Gospel first’: David Urquhart, the Bishop of Birmingham, speaks to the Diocesan Evangelical Fellowship. Saturday 22nd June, 10.00am at Birmingham Cathedral. Please see Toby for more information.

‘No Planet B’ conference: Saturday 29th June, 10am - 4pm at Priory Rooms, Bull Street B4 6AF. Please see Christine Arnsby for more information.

Midlands Women’s Convention: Saturday 12th October at Renewal Christian Centre. Please see Jean Eyles if you are interested in coming.

Also...

Our sermon series: Today in Esther we hear of a proud and idolatrous man, whose idolatry will soon lead to destruction – his own!

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.

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

Eco tip: When purchasing plants, look out for the ‘Plants for Pollinators’ logo which highlights those that provide a rich food source for bees.

*News for 9th June edition (40 words max) by 7pm
on Wednesday 5th June to news@elmdonchurch.org please.*

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“The Church in the Park”

2nd June 2019

“Haman boasted about his vast wealth, his many sons and all the ways the king had honoured him.”

Esther chapter five, verse 11 (Church Bibles, page 504)

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 Esther 5:1 - 14.

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

1.30 - 4.00pm Open Church

In the week

Mon 3 June

Women’s Bible study: 10.00am at Elmdon Church.

Start! course: 8.00pm at the Rectory.

Tue 4 June

Bible study: 10.30am at 706 Old Lode Lane.

Garden party: 1.45pm at 26 Henley Crescent.

Wed 5 June

Acorns toddler group: 9.30am at Elmdon Church.

Fishermen’s service: 5.00pm 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 *Esther 5:1 - 14*

- President Trump's state visit to the UK, starting today.
- Christian residents of Greenland Rise and Hatchford Avenue, that they might be confident in sharing their faith with their neighbours.
- The Start! course, taking place at the Rectory this evening.
- Those who are bereaved, including the families of John Rees, Keith Stevens, Evelyn Turner, Rachel Wadsworth and Ralph Williams.

Tuesday *Acts 22:1 - 23:22*

- The people of China, 30 years after the Tianenmen Square Massacre.
- Migrants trying to cross the Channel, often at great personal risk.
- Our mission partners, the Asikus, preparing to return to Uganda.
- Those who are sick, including Julie Ziarko and Marjorie Allcott.

Wednesday *Acts 23:23 - 24:27*

- Continuing attacks on Christians and church buildings in north Africa.
- Unbelieving residents of Greenland Rise and Hatchford Avenue, that they might come to know and follow Jesus as Saviour and Lord.
- Our partners at the Fishermen's Mission, holding their annual service in Elmdon this afternoon.
- Regular attenders: Pat Young, Marjorie Allcott and Christine Arnsby.

Thursday *Acts 25:1 - 26:18*

- The sacrifices that were made for us on D-Day, 75 years ago today.
- Growing community tensions over the use of LGBT materials in East Birmingham schools.
- Rob Dean, preparing to preach on Sunday, and those who will be leading groups for children and young people.
- Those who are sick, including Kitty Evans and Margaret Freeman.

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

Friday *Acts 26:19 - 27:26*

- The Brexit process, and for the next person who will lead it in the UK.
- All who will be affected by the latest cuts to the Solihull Connect service.
- Our brothers and sisters at Solihull Presbyterian Church as they prepare to move their Sunday services into our hall on Gaydon Road.
- Regular attenders: Sarah Baldwin, Moyra Bate and Chris Beere.

Saturday *Acts 27:17 - 28:31*

- Those resisting attempts to legalise abortion in Argentina.
- Players and spectators at Cricket World Cup matches this weekend.
- The challenges we face as we look for renewed growth in our church.
- Those who are sick, including Charlie Gibbs and Margaret Glenn.

Sunday *John 14:15 - 27*

- Political turmoil in Israel, following Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's failure to form a coalition government.
- Our service in Elmdon this morning, that the Lord will speak powerfully to us as we hear his word, pray together, and share the bread and wine.
- Open Church this afternoon, that we will have good conversations with people who come to 'Music in the Park'.
- A fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit on believers in our area.

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.
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