

Coming up

The lunch club meets this Tuesday, 25th February, at 1.00pm followed by Holy Communion at 2.00pm. This week we have pancakes! Bring your friends.

Our Church Council (the PCC) meets on Tuesday 3rd March, 7.30pm at “the Church in the Park”. Papers will be circulated in the next few days.

Prayer night: Tuesday 10th March, 8.00pm at “the Church in the Park”.

Women’s coffee morning: Saturday 14th March, 10.30am at “the Church in the Park”. There will be a speaker, and the theme is ‘Face to face’.

Men’s breakfast: Saturday 28th March, 9.00am at “the Church in the Park”.

The Annual Meeting (APCM) will be held this year on Tuesday 28th April, 8.00pm at “the Church in the Park”.

Also...

Our sermon series: We continue looking at Revelation and its letters to the seven churches. Today we come to Thyatira and are reminded, again, that we can never tolerate heresy in the Church of God.

Volunteers in Holy Week: We need helpers for Open Church, taking place on Maundy Thursday (9th April, 11.00am - 3.00pm) to coincide with the Easter Egg hunt in the park; and for our Good Friday craft event for children and families (10th April, 2.00 - 4.00pm). Please speak to Toby or Kelly.

Confirmation: This service will take place in June. Please speak to Toby if you are interested in taking part, or if you want to know more.

New babies: It would be great if we could offer church families a fortnight of cooked evening meals when a new baby arrives. If you would be willing to go on a stand-by rota (to be activated as necessary) please sign up today.

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

Eco tip: If you are a gardener, check seed packets and plant labels to ensure that the flowers you plant are attractive to our friends, the bees.

Please send news (40 words max)

*by 7pm on Wednesday 26th February to news@elmdonchurch.org.
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“The Church in the Park”

23rd February 2020

“Hold on to what you have until I come”.

Revelation chapter two, verse 25 (Church Bibles, page 1235)

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

Sunday

10.30am Baptism, all ages together.

Toby Crowe will speak on Revelation 2:18 - 29.

Got a question? Email rector@elmdonchurch.org

1.30 - 4.00pm Open Church

In the week

Mon 24 Feb

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

Tue 25 Feb

PCC safeguarding training: 7.30pm at Church.

Wed 26 Feb

Lunch & Praise service: 1.00pm at Elmdon Church.

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 *Revelation 2:18 - 29*

- International efforts to fight Covid-19 (the coronavirus).
- Christian residents of Alderdale Crescent and Ansley Way, that they might be confident in sharing their faith with their neighbours.
- Safeguarding training for our church council, taking place tonight.
- Those who are bereaved, including the families of Doris Dear, Muriel Griffiths, Brian Johnson and Lyn Maberly.

Tuesday *Numbers 28:16 - 29:40*

- The partial truce in Afghanistan, that it will hold.
- Victims of flooding in the West Midlands and elsewhere.
- Today's lunch club and the Holy Communion service which follows it.
- Those who are sick, including Simon Carter, Janet Knox and Rachel.

Wednesday *Numbers 30:1 - 31:54*

- German policy-makers, grappling with the far-right threat after racist shootings last week in the town of Hanau.
- Unbelieving residents of Alderdale Crescent and Ansley Way, that they might come to know and follow Jesus as Saviour and Lord.
- Children and adults coming to Acorns this morning.
- Those who are bereaved, including the families of Annie Vincent, Mary Wetton and Patricia Woodhull.

Thursday *Numbers 32:1 - 42*

- Civilians of Idlib province in Syria, now on the frontline, and the escalating international conflict there.
- Jaguar Land Rover, facing falling sales and contemplating further factory shutdowns in Solihull.
- The process of closing our two freestanding halls, now under way.
- Regular attenders: David Cole, Ann Davis, Cheryl Doyle.

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

Friday *Numbers 33:1 - 56*

- The people of Iran, following last week's parliamentary election.
- Local residents affected by schools parking, and moves towards the introduction of further restrictions at various sites.
- Toby Crowe, preparing to preach at Sunday's Holy Communion service, and those who will be leading groups for children and young people.
- Those who are sick, including Mary Reynolds and Don Stanton.

Saturday *Numbers 34:1 - 35:5*

- The potential effect of the coronavirus outbreak on the Chinese, and so on the global, economy.
- Anybody affected by the forthcoming closure of M & S in Mell Square.
- National organisations which use our building: Biblical Counselling UK, the Christian Ambulance Association and the Fishermen's Mission.
- Regular attenders: Patricia Coleman-Taylor, Paolo & Alexander.

Sunday *Revelation 3:1 - 6*

- The attempt to legalise euthanasia in Portugal, and the Church's opposition to it.
- The persecuted church, worldwide.
- Our service in Elmdon this morning, that we will meet Jesus as we listen to his word and we gather round his table in prayer and fellowship.
- Preparations for our Annual Meeting in April.

*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, 1st March

10.30am Holy Communion with groups for children & young people
Toby Crowe will speak on Revelation 3:1 - 6.

1.30 - 4.00pm Open Church