

## Bible readings and sermons

**Today's reading:** The Lord encourages a wayward Israel to repent. Will she listen? And which of us needs to hear the same message today?

**Our daily readings:** This week we finish the third 'book' of Psalms.



*"The Church in the Park"*

## In the week

**Tuesday:** We have hosted a weekly prayer meeting on Zoom since early in the pandemic. We are now calling this to an end, in the expectation that much of our corporate prayer during the week will take place in Connect groups from now on. We may return to a monthly prayer meeting during the autumn.

**Wednesday:** Holy Communion, 10.30am at Elmdon Church. Please tell Carol if you are coming: [carol@elmdonchurch.org](mailto:carol@elmdonchurch.org) or 07761-702 784.

## News

**Tony Crowe:** Toby's father was known to many of us through his participation in Elmdon Church activities, including the Monday lunch club and our Zoom services over the last year. Sadly he passed away on 21<sup>st</sup> May. Please pray for Diana, Toby and the family.

**Changes to the prayer sheet:** This week's is the last in the current format. Next Sunday sees the launch of a 'vacancy' edition.

**Helping Hands foodbank:** Please leave non-perishable food items in the green bin in the Wilberforce Hall.

**The vacancy:** We are still waiting to hear from the Diocese when we can expect this to begin, though it will almost certainly be in July or August.

## 30<sup>th</sup> May 2021

***"Because I will do this to you, Israel,  
prepare to meet your God."***

*Amos chapter four, verse 12 –  
the Elmdon Church 'verse of the week'.*

Welcome to Elmdon Church in person and online!

### Today

**10.30am Holy Communion**, all ages together. In person and live at [www.facebook.com/ElmdonChurch](https://www.facebook.com/ElmdonChurch) and on YouTube.

Karen Marlow-Tipple will speak on Amos 4:1 - 13.

This service will also run at 10.30am on Wednesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> June.

We continue to provide material on our website, Facebook and YouTube channel, accessible at [www.elmdonchurch.org](http://www.elmdonchurch.org)

You can also hear Sunday's sermon by calling 0121-270 9075 (calls charged at your usual rate).

The service is available on DVD too: please ask!

Please send news (40 words max) by 7pm  
on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June to [news@elmdonchurch.org](mailto:news@elmdonchurch.org)

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# Read & pray...

## Monday *Amos 4:1 - 13*

- Residents of Goma in the Democratic Republic of Congo, evacuated because of the eruption of Mount Nyiragongo.
- Christian residents of Elmdon Coppice and Elmdon Grange, that they might be confident in sharing their faith with their neighbours.
- Gift & Kathryn Asiku, our mission partners in Uganda.
- Those who are bereaved, including the families of Anne Belcher, Tony Crowe and Ros Johnson.

## Tuesday *Psalms 79 - 80*

- The International Olympic Committee and Japanese politicians, deciding whether the Tokyo Games can go ahead.
- Everyone affected by Birmingham's new Clean Air Zone.
- The work of the Send a Cow charity, which we support.
- Those who are sick, including Simon Carter and Ann Harris.

## Wednesday *Psalms 81 - 83*

- Those suffering in India's coronavirus second wave.
- Unbelieving residents of Elmdon Coppice and Elmdon Grange, that they might come to know and follow Jesus as Saviour and Lord.
- Our Holy Communion service, being held this morning.
- All our church members and other regular attenders.

## Thursday *Psalms 84 - 86*

- Journalists in Hong Kong, as the independence of public broadcaster RTHK is threatened by the Chinese government.
- All involved in delivering the UK's vaccination programme.
- Dan Mangles, preparing to preach on Sunday.
- Those who are bereaved, including the families of Helen Sargent, Ivy Sumners and Carol Thompson.

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

## Friday *Psalms 87 - 88*

- Dissidents in Belarus and other ex-Soviet countries.
- Plans for the Birmingham-Leeds leg of HS2, now being finalised.
- The ministry of Helping Hands, the foodbank for Solihull.
- Those known to us who are still "walking in darkness" (Isaiah 9:2).

## Saturday *Psalms 89*

- Next month's presidential election in Iran.
- Efforts to restrict the sale of ultra-processed foods to our children.
- The work of the Fishermen's Mission, and especially for Superintendent Kenny Brandie, serving in Aberdeen.
- Those who are sick, including Kitty Evans and Marjorie Allcott.

## Sunday *Amos 5:1 - 17*

- Peacemakers from all sides of the Israeli/Palestinian conflict.
- Attempts to make West Midlands Police officers and staff more representative of all the communities they serve.
- Our service today, that many will meet Jesus in it.
- All our planning and preparation for the forthcoming vacancy.

*Please send prayer requests to [prayer@elmdonchurch.org](mailto: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](http://www.elmdonchurch.org/prayer)*

*We have a prayer chain for urgent prayer needs.  
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### **Next Sunday, 6<sup>th</sup> June**

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To book your place at either service, please email  
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