Appeal for soft toys! Can you help with the <u>loan</u> of soft toys **(animals only please)** for next week's Family Service? If you don't mind being parted from your furry friends for an hour or so, please label the toys with your name so they can be returned to you after the service. Thank you!

Open Church on Sunday Afternoons: To enable the turnaround from morning coffee to afternoon tea, and for those helping with the open church on Sunday afternoons to be able to have some lunch, **the church building will be locked between 12.30pm and 2pm**. We'd love you to continue chatting after the morning service, but if you're able to move into the church grounds, this would be much appreciated. Do feel free to bring a reusable travel cup so you can take your coffee out with you!

Fisherman's Mission Service: We will once again be welcoming those attending the Fisherman's Mission Conference to Elmdon Church on **Wednesday 21st June at 4.30pm**. Members of the Elmdon church family are invited to join them for tea and coffee, followed by a short service.



4th June 2023

"But you know that Timothy has proved himself, because as a son with his father he has served with me in the work of the gospel."

(Philippians 2, verse 22)

The Elmdon Church 'verse of the week'.

Welcome to Elmdon Church!

10.30am Holy Communion, with Kids in Christ Revd Bekah Clark will preach on Philippians 2:19-30

2.00pm-4.00pm: Open Church

Midweek service: Tuesday, 6th June at 2.00pm

We continue to provide material on our website, Facebook and YouTube channel, accessible at **www.elmdonchurch.org**

We preach Christ crucified Nobody and nothing but Him

Readings:

Mon 5th June **Joshua 9:1-10:11** Tue 6th June **Joshua 10:12-43** Wed 7th June **Joshua 11:1-12:6** Thu 8th June **Joshua 12:7-13:23** Fri 9th June **Joshua 13:24-15:11** Sat 10th June **Joshua 15:12-16:10** Sun 11th June **Genesis 6:13-22**

Please pray for:

- The Scottish Government and Wildlife Trust, as they assess the damage caused by the recent devastating wildfires across the Highlands.
- Residents of Damson Lane and De Moram Grove.
- Our dear friend, Jill Round. Praise the Lord that she is now back at home.
- Elizabeth Smye & Rob Dean preaching on Sunday.

News

Birmingham Diocesan Evangelical Fellowship: There will be a meeting of the DEF on Saturday 17th June, 10am-12.30pm, at St Stephen's Church, Selly Park. Rev Dr Ian Paul, a theologian, author, speaker, and academic consultant, will speak on, "How do we know God's will? Scripture and the revelation of God". For further information go to https://birminghamdef.info/1233/agm-with-ian-paul-on-scripture/.

Next Sunday — 11th June 10.30am Family Service Elizabeth Smye & Rob Dean will preach on Genesis 6:13-22 2.00pm-4.00pm: Open Church

> Midweek service: Tuesday, 13th June at 2.00pm

Team: The believers of Elmdon Rector: Revd Bekah Clark

Connect with us contact@elmdonchurch.org | 0121 743 6336

www.elmdonchurch.org | www.facebook.com/ElmdonChurch | @elmdonchurch

Living in Love and Faith Small Group Sessions

As many will be aware, the Church of England has been exploring questions of identity, sexuality, relationships and marriage through the Living in Love and Faith process. I am conscious that current deliberations in the Church of England on LLF are a source of deep anxiety and pain for many, for a variety of different reasons, and that there will be different feelings, questions and views within our church family.

I would like to offer two small group sessions for those who would like the opportunity to share their hopes, fears and questions in a safe space and to look at the Bible together. These will take place at church on 21st and 28th June, from 7.30-9pm. In the first session, we will look at the 'Pastoral Principles' and in the second we will look at some Bible passages together. You're invited to attend both sessions and the focus of both sessions will be on listening to one another.

In order to plan for the size of the group, please can you let me know if you would like to attend by Sunday 4th June. If you would like to attend, but are unable to make the dates, please do also let me know as it may be possible to offer these sessions at another time.

If you would like more information, or have any questions, please email or speak to me. Bekah (revbekahclark@gmail.com).

Please see over for additional news items