God, Sex and Marriage: Does it really matter? Tuesday 17th October, 7.30-9.15pm, St John's Harborne, B17 9PT:

The Bible's story of marriage is rich, varied and above all good. It is central to creation and redemption, so what we believe and teach about it matters. Vaughan Roberts (Rector, St Ebbe's Church, Oxford) will help and encourage us to explore why. There is no charge to attend this event. Refreshments will be available from 7pm. For more information:

https://birminghamdef.info/1396/vaughan-roberts-on-marriage/ Please let Bekah know if you're planning on going so that we can arrange to share lifts and sit as a group.

Midlands Women's Convention | **Saturday 21**st **October, 9.15am - 3.30pm:** An encouraging day of singing, praying and listening to God's Word with other women. This year's theme is 'God so loved'. Clare Heath-Whyte will be speaking on Jesus' words of life and truth in John chapters 3 and 4. The venue is The Ruddock Performing Arts Centre, King Edward VI Boys School, Edgbaston Park Road, B15 2UA. Tickets cost £15 each, £10 concessions and can be booked online. Refreshments are provided, but please bring a packed lunch. Please book your own ticket online and then let Bekah know you are going. If either cost or booking online are a problem, please speak to Bekah.

For more information: http://midlandswomensconvention.org.uk

Annual Memorial Service: Elmdon Church, Sunday, 5th November at 4pm, a reflective service to remember and give thanks for those whom we have loved but see no longer. Refreshments after the service. The service is for everyone, to remember anyone, no matter how long ago they died. Invites available in the Wilberforce Hall; please take one and give to someone else.



1st October 2023

"For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do."

(Ephesians 2:1-10, verse 10)

The Elmdon Church 'verse of the week'.

Welcome to Elmdon Church!

10.30am Holy Communion with Kids in Christ Rob Dean will preach on

Ephesians 2:1-10

2.00pm-4.00pm: Open Church

Midweek service: Tuesday, 3rd October 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:

2nd October 2 Kings 4:1-41 Mon Tue 3rd October 2 Kings 4:42-5:27 Wed 4th October 2 Kings 6:1-33 5th October 2 Kings 7:1-8:6 Thu 6th October 2 Kings 8:7-9:13 Fri 7th October 2 Kings 9:14-37 Sat 8th October Daniel 6:6-23 Sun

Please pray for:

- Residents of Markham Crescent and Marlbrook Close.
- Jill Round, that she may know the Lord's peace in her life.
- Our brothers and sisters at St Mary's that together we may grow in the knowledge and love of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.
- Bekah Clark preaching on Sunday.

Monthly Prayer Meeting, St Mary's Hobs Moat Wednesday 4th October, 7.30pm:

Please join us as we pray for the world, the local community and the work of our churches. First Wednesday of the month, 7.30pm - 8.30pm.

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Next Sunday – 8th October 10.30am Family Service

Rev Bekah Clark will preach on Daniel 6:6-23

2.00pm-4.00pm: Open Church
Midweek service:
Tuesday, 10th October at 2.00pm

News

Arts Cafe, new communities, Hong Kongers: The charity, Arts in the Yard, working with Solihull Council, is providing an opportunity for Hong Kongers and local residents to meet, create and share together in free arts activities, with refreshments.

Shirley venue: Shirley Baptist Church, Stratford Road, B90 3BD,

Tuesdays: 3 Oct, 7 Nov, 5 Dec, 6 Feb, 5 Mar.

Solihull venue: The Snooty Pooch, 50 Drury Lane, Mell Square, B91 3BH,

Tuesdays: 17 Oct, 21 Nov, 16 Jan, 20 Feb.

Please share this information with anyone you feel may be interested.

"Tidying Morning": We are going to have what is hoped will be a final session sorting through the craft materials in the Poplar Room on Tuesday, 3rd October, 9am-12noon, with a break for tea/coffee.

Please let Bekah or Carol know if you are able to help.

Oaks & Shires: Elmdon Nature Park, within Elmdon Park, Saturday, 7th October, 11am-3pm. Learn more about the local woodlands and wildlife. Free entry. Children's activities, crafts, working heavy horse, birds of prey, and lots more. Visit www.solihull.gov.uk for full information.

The church will be open between 12-2pm for refreshments.