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News for the 10<sup>th</sup> December edition of the news & prayer sheet should be sent to **news@elmdonchurch.org** by 7pm on Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> December.

We preach Christ crucified

Nobody and nothing but Him



# 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2023

"He (John) will be a joy and delight to you, and many will rejoice because of his birth, for he will be great in the sight of the Lord."

(Luke 1, verse 14)

The Elmdon Church 'verse of the week'.

#### **Welcome to Elmdon Church!**

10.30am Holy Communion with Kids in Christ Karen Matthews will preach on Luke 1:5-25

2.00pm-4.00pm: Open Church

St Mary's, Hobs Moat 4.00pm Christingle Service

Midweek service:

Tuesday, 5th December at 2.00pm

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

## **Readings:**

 Mon
 4th December
 2 Chronicles 18:1-34

 Tue
 5th December
 2 Chronicles 19:1-20:21

 Wed
 6th December
 2 Chronicles 20:22-21:20

 Thu
 7th December
 2 Chronicles 22:1-23:21

 Fri
 8th December
 2 Chronicles 24:1-27

 Sat
 9th December
 2 Chronicles 25:1-28

 Sun
 10th December Luke 1:26-38

## Please pray:

- For residents of Rouncil Close and Rowood Drive.
- That world leaders at COP28 may be inspired by the power of the Holy Spirit with openness to listen to those most affected by climate change and with courage to act urgently and wisely.
- The homeless and people not able to pay their heating bills in the present cold weather.
- · For Bekah Clark preaching on Sunday.

Monthly Prayer Meeting, St Mary's Hobs Moat, Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December, 7.30pm: Please join us as we pray for the world, the local community and the work of our churches.

### Next Sunday - 10th December

10.30am Family Nativity Service & Christmas Jumper Day Revd Bekah Clark will preach on Luke 1:26-38

2.00pm-4.00pm: Open Church

#### Midweek service:

Tuesday, 12th December at 2.00pm

#### News

**Domestic Abuse Contact**: Sarah Leckie has taken on the role of our Domestic Abuse Contact. You can go to her with any concerns, and she will listen or signpost people to relevant organisations as appropriate. Her contact details are on the Safeguarding poster on the notice board in the corridor.

**Christmas Jumper Day**: Please join with us next Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> December - wear your Christmas jumper to Church, or something with a nod to Christmas, ie socks, tie, brooch, earrings. Donations put in the container provided in the Wilberforce Hall will be forwarded to the Marie Curie Hospice.

**Vision Survey:** Please pick up a Vision Survey from the Wilberforce Hall; the deadline for responses is 10th December. The survey can also be completed online:  $\frac{\text{https://forms.gle/1Q2Q5wUWyeV2FwiZ6}}{\text{https://forms.gle/1Q2Q5wUWyeV2FwiZ6}}.$ 

**Birmingham Concert Band**: Monday, 11<sup>th</sup> December at 7.45pm. The Band's concerts are always great fun, and there will be an opportunity to sing along with some of the well-known Christmas favourites. £5 admission on the door, to include mince pie and hot drink.

**Donations of mince pies needed for the Christmas services**. Please ensure that the 'best before date' covers the whole of the Christmas period.