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\*\*British Summer Time begins\*\*
Clocks go forward one hour

Next Sunday, 31<sup>st</sup> March EASTER SUNDAY 6.30am Sunrise Service

in the park

10.30am All Age Holy Communion

Karen Matthews will preach on Acts 10:34-43

Open Church: 2.00pm-3.30pm

News for the 31<sup>st</sup> March edition of the news & prayer sheet should be sent to **news@elmdonchurch.org** by 7pm on Wednesday, 27<sup>th</sup> March



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## 24th March 2024

They took palm branches and went out to meet him, shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the king of Israel!"

(John 12, 13)

The Elmdon Church 'verse of the week'.

## **Welcome to Elmdon Church!**

Elmdon Church exists for you. Because Christ loves you. Whoever you are, whatever your story, we'd love to get to know you.

# PALM SUNDAY 10.30am All Age Morning Worship

Bekah Clark will preach on John 12:12-16

Open Church: 2.00pm-3.30pm

## Readings:

Mon	25 <sup>th</sup> March	Psalm 84:1-86:17
Tue	26th March	Psalm 87:1-89:13
Wed	27 <sup>th</sup> March	Psalm 89:14-52
Thu	28th March	Psalm 90:1-92:15
Fri	29 <sup>th</sup> March	Psalm 93:1-95:11
Sat	30 <sup>th</sup> March	Psalm 96:1-99:9
Sun	31st March	Acts 10:34-43

## Please pray:

- For residents of Alderdale Crescent and Ansley Way.
- For Rob Dean preaching on Good Friday and Karen Matthews preaching on Easter Sunday.
- That the children who take part in our Eggsploring Easter event will have lots of fun, but also learn why Jesus had to die on the cross.
- That the humanitarian aid will get through to the people of Gaza who so desperately need it.

## News, and dates for your diary:

#### Can you help by being a 'duty warden'?

We're looking for a number of people who would be happy to act as a 'duty warden' on a Sunday, on a rota basis, perhaps once a month or once every 6 weeks. The role will involve opening and closing the church and generally helping our time together to run smoothly. Please speak to Carol or Bekah for more information or if you think you could help. Thank you!

**Poppies for St Alphege:** St Alphege Church is to have a poppy cascade for Remembrance in November and is looking for people to help out with this project. Please speak to Sharon Love if you can help and would like a knitting/crochet pattern.

**Listening skills course:** This free course is for anyone who wants to improve their listening skills for home, work life, or pastoral care. Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> April, 09:00-13:00 at Shirley Baptist Church. To book or for more information, email <a href="mailto:fadmin@fscshirley.co.uk">fadmin@fscshirley.co.uk</a> or phone 0121 744 8838.

**Michael Jacques' funeral:** Friday, 19<sup>th</sup> April at 1pm, followed by burial in the churchyard. Donations are going to Wycliffe Bible Translators.

**Midland Men's Convention:** Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2024 at Monyhull Church in Birmingham. For more information or booking: <a href="https://bit.ly/MidlandMens24">https://bit.ly/MidlandMens24</a>

**Easter Eggs:** Crème egg size, please, required for our Easter activities. Please see Sarah Leckie.

## **Holy Week and Easter:**

#### **Tuesday of Holy Week**

2-3.30pm Eggsploring Easter activities, crafts, a Bible talk, Easter egg hunt and a snack,

for children under 11 and their parents and carers.

To help with preparation and catering, please let us know you're coming by signing up here: <a href="https://elmdon.churchsuite.com/events/aplfxvcg">https://elmdon.churchsuite.com/events/aplfxvcg</a> or using the QR code



Please speak to Elizabeth Smye if you think you could help with this event, or if you'd like more information. Please do invite anyone you know with children under 11.

#### **Maundy Thursday**

9.30am Holy Communion at St Mary's

#### **Good Friday**

9.30am Holy Communion at St Mary's,

11.30am Act of witness with Hatchford Brook Churches Together, outside Savers on the Coventry Road, Sheldon, near the shopping precinct.

7pm Reflective Service at Elmdon

#### **Easter Sunday**

6.30am Sunrise Service in the park. 10.30am All Age Holy Communion at Elmdon (& 10am All Age Holy Communion at St Mary's)