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**Next Sunday, 28<sup>th</sup> April**

(Refreshments 10.30am)

**11.00am All Age Morning Worship**

Revd. Bekah Clark will preach on 1 Corinthians 13:1-13

**Open Church: 2.00pm-3.30pm**

**Midweek service:**

**Tuesday, 30<sup>th</sup> April at 2.00pm**

*News for the 28<sup>th</sup> April edition of the news & prayer sheet should be sent to [news@elmdonchurch.org](mailto:news@elmdonchurch.org) by 7pm on Wednesday, 24<sup>th</sup> April.*



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**21<sup>th</sup> April 2024**

*“What, then, shall we say in response to this?  
If God is for us, who can be against us.”*

*(Romans 8, verse 31)*

*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.**

(Refreshments 10.30am)

**11.00am Holy Communion  
with Kids in Christ**

Richard Huss will preach on Romans 8:31-39

**Open Church: 2.00pm-3.30pm**

**Midweek service:**

**Tuesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> April at 2.00pm**

## Readings:

Mon	22 <sup>nd</sup> April	Psalm 145:1-146:10
Tue	23 <sup>rd</sup> April	Psalm 147:1-150:6
Wed	24 <sup>th</sup> April	Proverbs 1:1-33
Thu	25 <sup>th</sup> April	Proverbs 2:1-3:35
Fri	26 <sup>th</sup> April	Proverbs 4:1-5:23
Sat	27 <sup>th</sup> April	Proverbs 6:1-35
Sun	28 <sup>th</sup> April	1 Cor. 13:1-13

## Please pray for:

- Residents of Chetland Crescent and Cloudbridge Drive.
- Bekah Clark preaching next Sunday.
- Gift and Kathryn Asiku of Wycliffe Bible Translators, Uganda and their sons, James and Simon Peter.
- Farmers in the UK at this busy time of the year, also coping with land saturated by the heavy rains.

## News, and dates for your diary:

**PCC:** If you would like to consider joining the PCC (Parochial Church Council), or to explore what this would entail, please speak to Bekah.

“**Shine Youth**” is holding a Sunday Tea event on Sunday, 21<sup>st</sup> April, 2-5pm, at Wren Hall, School Lane, Wroxall, CV35 7NE. Free parking available. “Shine Youth” is a Solihull charity that provides listening, 1:1 mentoring and group support to 11-18 year olds experiencing mental health and wellbeing difficulties. They are fundraising to continue and expand this work which is in high demand in Solihull secondary schools and at their Youth Wellbeing Cafe in Shirley. Also visit [www.shineyouth.org.uk](http://www.shineyouth.org.uk) .

### **Solihull Deanery Welcome Service for the new Bishop of**

**Birmingham:** All in the deanery are warmly invited to attend the Yardley and Solihull Deanery Welcome Service at St Alphege Church, Solihull on Sunday 28 April at 4 pm, to be followed by refreshments. The service will take the form of a Songs of Praise with a variety of musical styles, and a sermon by Bishop Michael.

### **Free Emotional First Aid training from Transforming Lives for Good:**

TLG are offering a FREE 90-minute live webinar to help church staff and volunteers spot the signs of emotional distress in children, teenagers and adults, and respond to them effectively. Further details and booking on the TLG website:

[www.tlg.org.uk/your-church/emotional-first-aid](http://www.tlg.org.uk/your-church/emotional-first-aid)

**Birmingham Diocesan Evangelical Fellowship Annual Meeting:** Bishop Michael Volland, the new Diocesan Bishop, will speak at the meeting on Tuesday 4 June, on ‘The joy of the Lord is your strength: Christian witness in an age of rapid change’. Venue: Gas Street St Luke's, Great Colmore Street, B15 2AT; further information available at: <https://birminghamdef.info/1456/michael-on-christian-witness-with-agm/>

Guests are welcome to join the AGM (although they are unable to vote). Otherwise, refreshments from 7pm. Bishop Michael will speak at 7.30pm, beginning with worship, and there will be an opportunity to ask questions. The evening will close at 9pm. Please do join the meeting to hear Bishop Michael's vision and passion for mission in these times, and in this place. The DEF are praying it will be a precious time of expressing our unity in the gospel, as well as a valuable time of teaching and equipping for the work God is calling us to partner in.

### **The gift of hospitality - can you help?**

Every year, thousands of people who work with young people in churches and communities from across the country come to Birmingham for the National Youth Ministry Conference run by [Youthscape](http://Youthscape). This year's event is taking place at Resorts World at the NEC, largely due to the numbers who come; this may mean the price of the conference is out of some people's reach as the hotels are more expensive, so Mission Support would love to offer 30 people attending the conference a place to stay on the Friday and/or the Saturday night. Do you have a spare room, and could you offer breakfast on the 22<sup>nd</sup> and/or 23<sup>rd</sup> of November? If so, please fill out the form at

[www.cognitofirms.com/Cofebirmingham/NationalYouthMinistryConferenceNovember2024](http://www.cognitofirms.com/Cofebirmingham/NationalYouthMinistryConferenceNovember2024). You may not be able to do youth work where you are, but you can cheer someone on in their youth work journey by offering a bed for the night!