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Next Sunday, 18th August

**Our time together begins with
refreshments at 10.30am**

11.00am All Age Morning Worship

Bekah Clark will preach on
Luke 7:36-50

Open Church: 2.00pm-4.00pm

*News for the 18th August edition of the news & prayer
sheet should be sent to news@elmdonchurch.org
by 7pm on Wednesday, 14th August.*



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11th August 2024

“Since you died with Christ to the basic principles of this world, why,
as though you still belonged to the world, do you submit to its rules:
Do not handle! Do not taste! Do not touch!”

(Colossians 2, verses 20/21)

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.**

**Our time together begins with
refreshments at 10.30am**

11.00am Family Service

Bekah Clark and Rob Dean will preach on
Colossians 2:16-23

Open Church: 2.00pm-4.00pm

Readings:

Mon	12 th August	Jeremiah 20:1-21:14
Tue	13 th August	Jeremiah 22:1-30
Wed	14 th August	Jeremiah 23:1-24
Thu	15 th August	Jeremiah 23:25-25:14
Fri	16 th August	Jeremiah 25:15-26:9
Sat	17 th August	Jeremiah 26:10-27:22
Sun	18 th August	Luke 7:36-50

Please pray for:

- Residents of Irving Road and Joiners Croft.
- Bekah Clark preaching next Sunday.
- Peace, restored relationships, renewed hope, immediate calm and long-term resolutions in this time of unrest.
- Gift Asiku in his travels as he works on project plans for the next 3 years.
- Those who maintain our beautiful park.
- Give thanks for all the creatures that make the park their home.
- Bekah and all who over the coming weeks will plan for the next term.

News, and dates for your diary:

Defibrillator training: We will shortly be having a community defibrillator installed in the church courtyard, with many thanks to Elmdon Park Support Group and West Midlands Ambulance Service. In preparation for this, there will be a training session on Thursday 15th August from 7-8pm, covering oversight of a community facing defibrillator and how to use it in an emergency. Everyone who uses the church building is invited – please sign up on the sheet in the Wilberforce Hall so we have an idea of numbers.

Important Announcement: St Mary's Market & Car Boot Sale

Due to a shortage of volunteers, we've taken the decision to press pause on our monthly car boot sales for the rest of 2024. There will therefore be no car boot sales in August or September.

A big thank you to the many people who've helped over the years, in particular Marina.

Do be thinking and praying about how we can best share the love of Christ with the community of Hobs Moat going forward.

LETTER TO FAITH LEADERS FROM THE RT REVD DR MICHAEL VOLLAND BISHOP OF BIRMINGHAM

Dear friends, I write against a backdrop of unrest and violence on the streets of some of our towns and cities. This is causing disruption and fear, and it opens the possibility of division within our communities. I completely condemn the violence and want to reassure you of my thoughts and prayers, my concern to strengthen relationships between faith communities in Birmingham and the West Midlands, and my resolve to work in an even more purposeful way alongside people of faith and goodwill towards peace and mutual flourishing. The recent violence is the result of the deliberate efforts of a small minority to stir up hatred and division. These people do not speak or act in the name of the majority and their plans, rhetoric and actions will not succeed in dividing us.