



# 18<sup>th</sup> January 2026

## Verse of the Week

“We remember before our God and Father your work produced by faith, your labour prompted by love, and your endurance inspired by hope in our Lord Jesus Christ.” 1 Thessalonians 1, verse 3 (NIV)

10.30am Refreshments

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

Richard Huss will preach on 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

## Coming up this week

Sunday, 2-3.30pm

**Open Church** at Elmdon Church

Thursday, 1.30pm

**Craft group** at St Mary's

## **Please pray for ...**

- Peace, protection and wisdom for the people of Iran amid violence and uncertainty.
- Victims of the wildfires in Australia, Argentina and South Africa.
- Bekah Clark preaching next Sunday.
- The residents of Victor Road and Waldeve Grove.
- People remaining without water in Kent and Sussex.

## **Dates for your Diary**

**Mondays at 9.30am: Zoom Morning Prayer.** Email [revbekahclark@gmail.com](mailto:revbekahclark@gmail.com) for the Zoom link.

**Tuesdays at Two:** Please note, there will be no meetings until further notice.

**Church Rota:** We'll be putting together the next Sunday service rota shortly. If you serve on a rota, and there are any Sundays in February or March that you won't be available, please let us know.

Email [contact@elmdonchurch.org](mailto:contact@elmdonchurch.org) or speak to Lesley Huss by **Monday 19<sup>th</sup> January**. If you don't yet serve on any of our teams but may be interested, please speak to our churchwardens Cheryl Doyle or Sue Kimber.

**The Met Office has issued the following severe cold weather advice:** Stay warm. Outside, dress appropriately; indoors, heating your home to at least 18°C poses minimal risk to your health when you are wearing suitable clothing. If you know anyone at special risk, ensure they know what to do to stay warm and are well stocked with food and medications. If you are worried about your health or that of somebody you know, ring NHS 111. Supported by Solihull Council, Age UK Solihull provides a local Winter Warmth Helpline. This service is primarily aimed at older people, those living with disabilities or long-term health conditions, carers, and families with young children. Support and advice can be accessed via this helpline, on 0121 704 8080, 9am – 5pm Mon to Fri. For the latest information on the alerts and forecast, including how long the alert is expected to remain in place, please visit the Met Office website.

**Money Matters** - Following our generosity preaching earlier in 2025 I am very pleased to report that our Church has received a number of one-off additional donations from church members, and a number of members have been able to increase their giving. A big Thank You to all who have been able to respond positively, it is a great help in these challenging times.

*Alan Doyle, PCC Treasurer*

## **This week's Discovery Bible Study**

### **1 Thessalonians 1:1-10**

- Review how you did with last week's passage: What changes did you make in your life? Who did you tell?
- Read this week's passage again.
- Retell the passage in your own words.
- Reflect on the questions below.
- Pray for God's help.

What does the story tell me about God?	If this is really God's word, what changes would I have to make in my life?
What does the story tell me about people or myself?	Who am I going to tell?

**Next Sunday, 25<sup>th</sup> January**

10.30am Refreshments

11.00am **Morning Praise**

Bekah Clark will preach on 1 Thessalonians 2:1-16

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## **News Sheet**

News for the 25<sup>th</sup> January edition of the news sheet should be sent to [news@elmdonchurch.org](mailto:news@elmdonchurch.org) by 7pm on Wednesday, 21<sup>st</sup> January.