



8th February 2026

Verse of the Week

“And the child grew and became strong; he was filled with wisdom, and the grace of God was on him.” Luke 2, verse 40 (NIV)

9.30am BCP Holy Communion

10.30am Refreshments

11.00am Interactive Morning Praise

Bekah Clark will preach on Luke 2:22-40

Coming up this week

Sunday, 2-3.30pm

Open Church at Elmdon Church

Please pray for ...

- The Government in crisis.
- Karen Matthews preaching next Sunday.
- The residents of Walsgrave Drive and Wells Road.
- Young people affected by knife crime.
- A end to conflicts in many parts of the year.

Save the date ...

Mondays at 9.30am: Zoom Morning Prayer. Email revbekahclark@gmail.com for the Zoom link.

Quiet Reading Party: Monday, 9th February, 10.30am–12noon at Elmdon Church. An opportunity to “unplug” in the company of others in an hour of silent reading (or listening to an audiobook) followed by an optional discussion time. Refreshments will be provided. This could be the ideal time to get into reading the Bible or a Christian book, but what you read is entirely your choice!

Tuesdays at Two will recommence on 17th February at Elmdon Church. Please bring a notepad and pencil!

'A Day of Prayer and Worship' led by Roger Jones on Saturday, 7th March: Roger will be focusing on the theme of "Lord, teach us to pray" (Luke 11), the ministry and gifts of the Holy Spirit and hearing from God in simple and accessible ways. It will be "bring your own lunch", other refreshments provided and children must be accompanied by an adult. Refreshments will be available from 10am; 10.30am start, finished by 3pm. It will be free, with the option to donate towards refreshments and the ministry of ReSource (<https://www.resourcingrenewal.org/>) who are providing us with the day. The booking page is set up and the link is: www.elmdonchurch.org/go

Lent resources:

[Bible Society](https://www.biblesociety.org.uk/resources/the-lent-encounter) free daily devotionals on the Psalms "Lent Encounter 2026". For more information and to sign up visit <https://www.biblesociety.org.uk/resources/the-lent-encounter>

[Tearfund](https://www.tearfund.org/forms/lent-email-sign-up-form) - “Living Water: a free seven-week Lent devotional” For more information and to sign up visit <https://www.tearfund.org/forms/lent-email-sign-up-form>

Parish Racial Justice Survey: As part of Racial Justice Sunday, 8 February, the West Midlands Racial Justice Initiative is inviting parishes to take part in a short survey which takes about 5 minutes to complete and is anonymous. The responses will help build a clearer picture of experiences and perspectives across parishes and will inform ongoing reflection, learning, and action around racial justice. The survey can be accessed via this link:

<https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/WMRJI-Birmingham-Diocese-Parish-Survey/>

This week's Discovery Bible Study

Luke 2:22-40

- 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, 15th February

10.30am Refreshments

11.00am Holy Communion with Kids in Christ

Karen Matthews will preach on 1 Thessalonians 4:1-12

Find it online:

Quick access to event sign-up, notice sheets, captions/translations and more: www.elmdonchurch.org/go

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News Sheet

News for the 15th February edition of the news sheet should be sent to news@elmdonchurch.org by 7pm on Wednesday, 11th February.