

**New Eltham Methodist Church**  
**Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> July 2017**  
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**Prayer for the Week**

Lancelot Andrewes (1555-1626)



God, in whom the faithful put their trust and for whom the true of heart wait in hope; guide us in the hour of perplexity, preserve us in the day of confusion and remember us in moment of our need; through Christ our Lord. Amen

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Please submit weekly news to Jane by **10 am Thursday**

**New Eltham Methodist Church Zimbabwe Fellowship.**

There are services in **SHONA** at this Church (12.30 - 14.30) each Sunday

For more details contact 07707310098 or 07944881977



Please 'like' us 'New Eltham Methodist Church'

**10.30 am Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> July 2017**

We welcome all who worship with us, and especially visitors. We also welcome **Mr Ralph Brandhorst** who will lead this Service, with **Graham Bunce** as Steward and **Sarah Bartlett** providing the music.

**Order of Service**

Welcome

Call to worship

**Hymn: No. 51 Great is thy faithfulness**

Prayers of approach and adoration

**Hymn: No. 499 Great God, your love has called us here**

Introduction

Reading: Matthew chapter 13 verses 31-33, 44-52

Address

**Hymn: No. 82 O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder**

Prayers: Prayer of confession  
Prayer of thanksgiving  
Prayers of Intercession  
The Lord's Prayer

Offertory

**Hymn: No. 545 Be thou my vision**

Blessing

The Grace

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**Please join us for a cup of coffee and a chat  
at the coffee bar following the service.**

## **Traid Craft Stall**

The Traid Craft stall will be open after the service today selling a variety of goods including rice, dried fruits, cereals, preserves, cards, gifts and chocolate.



## **Worship Leader's Service – Tonight at 6.00 pm**

There will be an evening service tonight at 6.00 pm. The worship group will be thinking about 'Prayer - why and wherefore' and using the conclusions in our worship. You are most welcome to join us.

## **Young Church (5-12 age group)**

Young Church is now taking a break returning on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> September. We hope everyone enjoys a lovely summer break from school and look forward to seeing you in September.

## **Morning Service on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> August 10.00 am– Breakfast Cafe**

Next Sunday the service will commence with a Church continental breakfast in the actual Church. Please arrive at 10 am to enjoy the 'free' breakfast! The service will commence at 10.30 am as normal and you will be able to continue to eat your food and drink quietly throughout the café style service.

## **Film nights**

Well we are up and running and the first two films nights have taken place. Around 12-15 people have attended and we enjoyed watching the films and having some healthy discussions afterwards along with refreshments. The films are on a variety of topics, some with thought provoking or challenging issues, some humorous, some dealing with tragic issues – so there will be something for everyone's tastes. For those who have difficulty with hearing, special speakers have now been set up and subtitles are used when they are available. Film nights are open to all adults/young people over 15 on a walk-in basis – just turn up on the night! 'Kinky Boots' is our next film night on 9<sup>th</sup> August

## **Church Office Summer opening**

The Church office is now closed until the 15<sup>th</sup> August. During the remainder of the summer holidays office opening hours will be advertised on the weekly notice sheet but should you need to see Jane please email or telephone the mobile number on the front of the notice sheet to make an appointment.

## **Reverend Duncan MacBean**

Rev'd Duncan MacBean is away until Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> August. For pastoral needs please contact Rev'd David Gillman; and otherwise contact the Stewards.

## **September/October Church Magazine**

September/October's magazine editor is Andrew Seed. Items for insertion to Andrew by Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> August at the latest please. [andrew\\_seed60@hotmail.com](mailto:andrew_seed60@hotmail.com).

## **90<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration**

Edith Warner and family would like to welcome you to coffee, tea and cakes to celebrate her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday in Room 4 on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> September following the morning Service. All welcome.



## Happy Child International

Members and friends of New Eltham Methodist Church are invited by Happy Child International, the charity that works with street children in Brazil, to a gala, fund-raising dinner at the House of Commons on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November. This will be a very special occasion hosted by Sir Paul Beresford MP and will include a guided tour of the Palace of Westminster. Although tickets are priced at £150, friends of New Eltham Methodist Church are eligible for a reduced price of £125 in recognition of the support given by the church. If you are interested, please contact John Doddrell (Chairman of Happy Child) on 01689 605959." (Please see invitation on Church noticeboard)

## Pastoral News

It is with sadness we report the passing of Jack Wilkinson, a longstanding member of this church, who died last weekend while on holiday in Sweden. Jack joined our Sunday school in the late fifties and, though he often lived many miles away, he always considered New Eltham his home church and always returned whenever he could. He was a stalwart of the church pantomime and church choir for more than four decades and the willing butt of so many jokes. Whether dressed in a nappy or wearing a dustbin, whether singing Dvořák or Flanders and Swann, Jack brought a charm and humour to everything he did and was loved by all who knew him. Plagued by ill health, he was resolutely positive and never let his personal problems override his concern for others. We thank God for his life and remember Jack and his extended family in our prayers.

We also remember in our prayers John Broomhead, Muriel Bennett, Rob Smith, Gill Coutts, Reverend Kevin Taylor, Michael O'Brien, Rene Johnson, Shirley Wright, Reverend Duncan MacBean and family and also Chris Davis following the recent death of her mother.

If you would like to visit Gill Coutts please do call her first on 020 8302 3160.

## Diary Dates

- 9<sup>th</sup> August 7.00 pm. Film Club. 'Kinky Boots'.
- 1<sup>st</sup> September 7.30 pm. NECP Summer Quiz. Maximum of 6 people per table. Tickets £6.00 available from calling 020 8300 9027. Please bring along your own snacks and soft drinks.
- 13<sup>th</sup> September 7.00 pm. Film Club.
- 15<sup>th</sup> October 6.00 pm. 'The best of them also knew Jesus.' A series of monologues and duologues written and set to music by Tony Wright.
- 20<sup>th</sup>/21<sup>st</sup> October 2.30 pm (Saturday only)/7.30 pm. NECP presents 'Blackadder.' Tickets £10.00 Tel: 020 8850 2960 or book online at [www.necp.org.uk](http://www.necp.org.uk) (booking fee applies).

## Forthcoming Services:

Date	Time	Preacher	Music	Steward
6 <sup>th</sup> August	1030	Sue Cope Breakfast at 10.00 am	FB	Elton Mutingondo
13 <sup>th</sup> August	1030	Church Stewards Summer Celebration	SB	All Stewards