



# Eastwood Baptist Church

## Weekly News Update Sunday 7th November 2021

We are very pleased that our own Jo Hellenbrand is leading our worship today with the theme: "God will use anyone with an open heart". Our service includes Communion

The Bible reading is from 1 Samuel chapter 3 :1-21

### AGM and MEMBERS' MEETING TODAY at 12.30

after our morning Communion service and bring your own lunch. Reports and audited accounts are accessible via our Members' Page on our Website and a hard copy is available to read in the Vestibule.

The Recognition of Leadership and Co-ordination roles at EBC are on display in the vestibule for those who kindly take on these roles. Please sign if you are willing to continue undertaking these roles and please also encourage by proposing and signing as well. If there are gaps please pray about them and ask yourself if this is something you might do.

Thank you - Val Statt

### Social Media

Follow us on **Facebook** to keep up to date with what is going on at Eastwood Baptist Church (look for logo)

We have a new Prayer Board in the Lower Hall displaying Eastern Baptist Association churches prayer requests plus an opportunity to place our own prayers. These will be prayed for by the Leadership Team and Prayer Team.  
Thank you to Sharon for creating this

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**The Lord does not look  
at the things man looks at,  
Man looks at the outwards  
appearance, but the Lord  
looks at the heart.**

**1 Samuel 16:7**



**worship**  
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SATURDAY 13TH NOVEMBER 2021

7.30PM

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This week's news: We had an exciting morning helping 5 families and receiving a generous selection of donations. We would appreciate donations of toothpaste, shampoo and conditioner for our stocks.  
Many thanks, Sharon and Team

### Using our church for WORSHIP:

Covid precautions are still being taken: you can choose where to sit and whether to wear face coverings. The Sanctuary will be well ventilated. The heating is on but please do bring something warm and consider wearing a hat. We would ask that you do not attend church if you have any Covid symptoms or have been requested to self-isolate. Please continue to use the hand sanitisers.

**WELCOME TO YOU ALL**



## Men's Christmas Breakfast at the Oakwood on Saturday 11th December?

Before Graham seeks to make a booking for this- by the end of this week, please let him know if you would like to come. You know the drill...Full English Breakfast, Christmas jumpers and lots of manly fellowship.

### FOR OUR PRAYER TIMES

**Let's be persistent in our prayers.** Pray hard and long.

Pray for your brothers and sisters. Keep your eyes open. Keep each other's spirits up so that no one falls behind or drops out (Ephesians 6:18-The Message)

Our prayers may be awkward. Our attempts may be feeble. But since the power of prayer is in the One who hears it and not in the one who says it, our prayers do make a difference (Max Lucado). By the time you read this the **COP26** conference in Glasgow will be well under way, and the news will be full of information about the sad situation our planet is in. I would ask you all to read as much as you can about this, and then pray, not just about governments around the world making decisions which will move us towards improving the world which our Lord created, but also to look at the many small things each of us can do to improve each of our carbon footprints, for the benefit of future generations. We have seen the devastating effects that Covid 19 has had. but the long term effects of Climate Change look to be far worse and ,unless things are done soon, it may be too late. You may think that the problem is too big, that the mountain is too high. But remember this

-You can't climb a mountain unless you make the first step

-When faced with a large project, you move a mountain one stone at a time

-Every mountain top is within reach if you just keep climbing

-As Jesus says in Matthew 17 verse 20: "I tell you the truth, if you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there' and it will move. Nothing will be impossible for you."

**Covid 19.** Pray for all the countries in the world where Covid 19 is being suffered by so many people. Pray that Governments and people of influence will work increasingly together to share their collective knowledge , experience and wealth, so that everyone can benefit from the vaccines and protocols which are necessary to beat this disease. In this country, pray for wisdom from our Government and all of us, as we live with Covid 19, and be thankful that booster and flu vaccinations are now readily available for the most vulnerable.

**TWAM (Tools With A Mission).** A container will be loaded in Ipswich this week, ready for departure for Zimbabwe next week. Pray that all the toolkits requested can be sent in this container, and that any shortages of tools will be supplied.

**In this country.** Pray for those who are struggling. The effects of the pandemic has created and worsened many physical, emotional, mental, economic and social problems. Pray that God will move mightily in these situations, and bring hope and peace of mind. Pray that current shortages in supply chains will be eased. Pray for the many families who are facing financial and accommodation difficulties at this time, and now face the likelihood of increased fuel, food and other bills.

**In EBC,** continue to pray for all those who are unwell, in body or in spirit, that they may rest in God's care as they receive treatment and support. Thank God that the easing of restrictions is enabling and encouraging more use of our church building. Pray for the success of our AGM and member's meeting today, and for the plans that God has for our church, and thank Him for his continued guidance in our search for a new minister.

### Original Hand Made Cards by Carole Collier

Lovely hand-made cards by Carole are available to purchase with proceeds going to EBC . See selection in the vestibule which now includes Christmas Cards too!.Carole can be contacted on 01702 511895 who will discuss your requirements and arrange delivery to any of our EBC family



### Dementia Friends Training –

Wednesday 1st December at 2pm, Lower Hall. We will be holding Dementia Friends Training for the volunteers of the upcoming Community Carol Service and Café but if anyone would like to know more about supporting those living with dementia you are welcome to join us. For more information please see Jo.

## THIS WEEK 'S ACTIVITIES

**Monday 8th November:10.00-11.30 Pinocchio 's**

**14.30 Women's Fellowship**

**15.00-16.00** *open to receive Food Bank donations*

**Tuesday 9th :10.00 Green FISH Bible study**

**Wednesday 10th : Food Bank open 09.30-11.00** for guests with vouchers to collect goods

**Friday 12th :10.00-11.30 Pinocchio 's**

**11.30 –12.30** open to receive Food Bank donations

**18.30-19.30 Friday Club**

**19.45-21.00 Energise**

### *Next week Remembrance Sunday*

**November 14th at 10.30** Our morning worship service is being led by Andrew Picton

Jo Hellenbrand will be leading the afternoon Tea Service at 3pm.

**After service refreshments:** please add your name to the rota in the vestibule if you can help with these.

Milk and biscuits supplied .Thank you.

## Dates to save:

**Quiz Night Saturday 20th November at 18.30**

**Gracie Redding's Baptismal Service Sunday 5th December at 3pm**

**Jo's ORDINATION Monday 13th December at 18.00**

**Everyone is warmly welcomed to these events.**

These newssheets are online but if you would like a hard copy please ask Rosie or Graham. Thank you.

Please save all used stamps for RNIB and place in box in vestibule Thank you.