

**Share** We have recently been able to send a share top up of £1,000 to the Airedale Methodist account. This means that with the regular payments that we will make for the rest of 2020, we will have paid our full Circuit share of £15,971. Edwin Tate, Circuit Finance officer says, *"Thank you very much for the payment, and to all at Eldwick for paying the full share."*

**Giving Envelopes** We have decided that it is not necessary to buy boxes of envelopes for 2021 as so many who previously used them have moved to paying either by standing order or directly by cheque on a regular basis. If there is anyone who was thinking of asking for a box at the start of 2021, please contact me & I will send details of how to pay by standing order. Obviously, cheques made payable to The Eldwick Church and sent to me at 42 Effingham Road, Harden BD16 1LQ are welcome at any time! Sharron Arnold

For the last few years, we have invited those who receive **the Winter Fuel Allowance** to donate some of this to the church to pass on to families in Holme Wood. If anyone would like to donate, can they identify any payment that they make electronically as "Winter Fuel" so I can allocate it correctly. Alternatively, make a cheque payable to The Eldwick Church & send it by post, enclosing a slip of paper marked "Winter Fuel". Many thanks, Sharron Arnold.

**Prayer requests** can be submitted via email to the church office at [prayer@eldwickchurch.org.uk](mailto:prayer@eldwickchurch.org.uk) Requests are forwarded anonymously to the prayer team.

**We are on Facebook** @TheEldwickChurch & **Twitter** @EldwickChurch.

**Remember to check out our website.**  
[TEC Website](#)



*Worshipping, Working & Growing Together*

**Sunday 15 November 2020**  
**The Second Sunday before Advent**

**This week:**  
**Sunday:** 2.00 – 3.00 pm Personal Prayer

**We pray for Marylyn Whelan** and those in her pastoral group: June Mallinson, Carleen Richardson and John & Lorna Eastwood.

**We ask God's healing for** Mollie Brumfitt, Katie Gillow & Elsie Scotton, Anne Hurst, Kate Lomas, the Marsden family, Anne Samuel, Jane Thrower, Joe Tyler & Marylyn Whelan.

**Worship Update:** We are not allowed to attend worship services until the 6 December. We are allowed to livestream, and we can open for personal prayer. We have therefore reinstated Sunday personal prayer from 2.00-3.00 pm.

Here is the link to this Sunday's service:  
[YouTube Worship 15 November 2020](#)

**Christmas Eve Light Up Nativity** A small team from the Worship Pillar are working on an outdoor Christmas Eve walk round the church grounds, depicting the nativity story. *We need your help!* You will have received a separate e-mail. Please have a close read and see how to join in.

**From Bingley Community Hub re the Community Stars Award:** "The Community Stars Awards will take on a special meaning this year to celebrate the efforts, sacrifices and dedication of Bradfordians during the pandemic. As the awards enters its 10<sup>th</sup> year, you have a chance to nominate your unsung heroes who go the extra mile to help others in your corner of the world....let's acknowledge the great work being done by all the volunteers across the district. Nominations close on 20<sup>th</sup>

November & a winner's supplement will be in the T&A on 15<sup>th</sup> December."

Here is the link for how to nominate someone:

[Nominate a Community Star](#)

### **Call to prayer for the nation**

On Wednesday 4 November, the Archbishops of Canterbury & York and the Bishop of London called the Church of England to pray for the nation throughout November. Their letter asks us all to pray each day at 6.00pm, with prayers on the Church of England website for each day, should you wish to use them. Here are the links:

[Call to prayer letter](#)

[Prayer Resources](#)

**Church in the Garden Project** We have been successful in securing a grant to start work on this project. "Cleaner Streets" awarded the grant, which will cover the legal process regarding permission to use the land owned by the Leeds Diocese. This involves erecting a boundary fence between the vicarage and the garden area and the initial soft clearance of weeds & rogue saplings etc so we can actually see what lies beneath.

We can then start to make more robust plans for what can be done. At this stage what is most important is what do you, as a church family want? We appreciate we will not be able to include every detail requested - but at this stage we have 2 draft plans, and we need you to tell us which you would like us to progress.

### **Plan 1 - Landscaped Statement**

Jeanette has developed a draft design proposal which would create a "Grand Statement." This includes a landscaped area of small trees and shrubs, a central paved / pebbled labyrinth-type structure, seating and sculptures / ornaments such as bird feeders etc with raised flower beds in line with the design. There will be opportunity for the raised beds and some pots and planters to be planted up and maintained by local groups and individuals. It would be a place of peace, beauty, and a creative interpretation of God's awesome presence.

It is difficult to put costs to the design, but it is envisaged that heavy labour will be required: i.e. digger to provide contours, raised rockery and sloped areas, seating and gravelled or paved central area, raised flower beds, ornaments and sculptures. Trees and shrubs as mainstay planting.

### **Plan 2 - Allotment Garden**

An allotment type garden with mainly raised beds for growing flowers, salad, vegetables, herbs, fruit trees and bushes for people to cultivate, pick and eat the produce. There would be seating and some sculpture / ornaments such as bird feeders, children's ladybird trail, nature trail etc. There will be opportunity for the raised beds and some pots and planters to be planted up and maintained by local groups and individuals.

It is difficult to put costs to the design but it is envisaged that it will require softer clearance of the plot, many more raised beds than in the landscaped design, seating and weed-free pathways, ornaments and sculptures. Some planting of trees and shrubs as mainstay planting.

Here are a few points for you to think about before making your decision

- How much manpower will it need to create the garden and how much manpower to maintain it?
- What will be the cost to the garden you choose to get it to the level you feel it deserves?
- Who is going to use it?
- Do you want a potentially busier environment with people working in it at all times of the day or do you want a quieter place where you can sit or explore in peace?
- Will you feel safe – what would make you feel safe in the garden?
- Is there anything you would really like to see in the garden?

Please email your responses to Julie Smith [juliesmithwyn@outlook.com](mailto:juliesmithwyn@outlook.com) or ring on 07591 430501 (leave your name if I don't pick up and I will get back to you)

Feedback deadline 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2020