

Thank you to everyone who gave so generously to the Harvest collection last month. Combined with donations from those who give regularly, we have been able to send £550 to St Christopher's Holme Wood. There will be some families in that area who have children who would otherwise go hungry this half term and our support will enable Gary and Helen to help some of them.

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

Recruitment of new minister for TEC

We will be re-advertising the post in the new year. This is thought to be a good time of year for recruitment, with clergy more likely to be considering possible moves and changes in their ministry. We are also exploring the possibility of some form of interim assistance.

Thank you for your prayers on this matter to date. Please continue to pray that God will lead the right person to us as we continue to search for a new minister.

Prayer requests can be submitted via email to the church office at 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 8 November 2020
Remembrance Sunday**

This week:

Sunday: 2.00 – 3.00 pm Personal Prayer

We pray for Dorothy Walker and those in her pastoral group: Margaret & Tony Long, Len & Sue Oldfield and Edna Morrell.

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: There are now new national restrictions. This means that **we are not allowed to attend** worship services for the next 4 Sundays. 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, starting today, 8 November.

Here is the link to this Sunday's service:

[YouTube Remembrance Sunday](#)

Thank you to everyone involved in putting our Remembrance display together. The purple poppies are there to remember animals who served in wartime. Historically, the greatest number of animal casualties in conflict have been horses.

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 or ring on 07591 430501 (leave your name if I don't pick up and I will get back to you)

Feedback deadline 23rd November 2020