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 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 22 November 2020 Christ the King The Sunday next before Advent

This week:

Sunday: 2.00 – 3.00 pm Personal Prayer

We pray for Judy Ash and those in her pastoral group: Matthew, Ruth & Sophie Taylor, Norma Feather and Ian & Rowena Gillow.

We ask God's healing for Mollie Brumfitt, 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, however, we are open for personal prayer between 2 & 3 pm on Sundays in November.

This Sunday's service will go live on YouTube at 10.30 am on 22nd November.

<u>YouTube Worship 22 November</u>

Christmas Eve Light Up Nativity Many thanks to everyone who volunteered to help with Light Up Nativity — someone from the team will be in touch shortly to firm up arrangements. On the night, we will be handing out advent goody bags for children. These will include chocolate, a glow star and a children's nativity story. If anyone would like to sponsor some of the nativity story books (or other items), you can either send a cheque or an electronic payment to Church. In either case, please label it 'nativity'.

We are still short of battery-operated fairy lights if you have any spare. You can still sign up to help. Click the link below, or get in touch via the office.

Light Up Nativity Help Required

The Zephaniah Trust (a small Bradford charity which works with schools to spread the Christian message & whom we support) is

struggling due to the pandemic. Covid has severely curtailed their fundraising efforts. They invite us to watch their video & if possible, donate towards their appeal Zephaniah Trust December Fest fundraiser Giving Link

Call to prayer for the nation The

Archbishops of Canterbury & York and the Bishop of London have called the Church of England to pray for the nation throughout November at 6.00pm each day. There are prayers on the Church of England website: Prayer Resources

Last Call to make your views know about Church in the Garden!

Feedback deadline tomorrow Monday 23 Nov. Please email your responses to Julie Smith <u>juliesmithwyn@outlook.com</u> or ring on 07591 430501 (leave your name if I don't pick up and I will get back to you)

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?