

**Kingsthorpe Community Church A Baptist - Methodist Partnership**  
**Notices – Sunday 22nd February 2026**

Services take place at *Kingsthorpe Community Church* every Sunday, at 10.45am  
**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> February:** Morning Worship led by the Rev Ian Suttie  
**Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March:** Morning Worship led by Rev. Dr. Samantha Gillard, All Age Worship.  
<https://zoom.us> Meeting ID: 824 5301 1738 Passcode: 8181  
One tap mobile: 02034815237, 82453011738#, \*8181# UK Audio Only 0131 460 1196

**PATHFINDERS:** The Pathfinders are meeting today from 10:45-11:45am. The children will come into church for the first 15 minutes then they will go into their own group. Everyone is welcome to come along.

**COMING THIS WEEK:**

**Badminton** - Mondays from 8pm. at KCC. Contact - Ray Cheeseman 01604 842893  
**Girls' Brigade** - Tuesdays from 5:30 to 7:45pm at KCC during term time. Contact the company on 07951387364 or email [gb5thnorthampton@live.co.uk](mailto:gb5thnorthampton@live.co.uk)  
**Sewing Group** - Tuesdays at 1.30pm term time. Contact Mary Reynolds for more information.  
**Tiny Tots & Carers' Group** - Mondays 9.30 to 11.30 in the Main Hall at KCC, during term time. **Contact Carol on 07740171452.**  
**Prayer Meeting** - meets online on Weds at 11 a.m. on Zoom - 824 5301 1738 passcode 8181.

**INFORMATION & DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:**

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> February 7p.m. in the Primary room - "Moving forward as a Community" meeting** - please see info further down the notice sheet!

Lucie Thew has been moved to Margaret's Rest Home 30-32 Kingsley Road for respite.

**Funeral** - The funeral service for Brenda Eason is on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> February 1 p.m. at Kingsthorpe Community Church and afterwards at The Windhover. Our thoughts & prayers are with Brenda's 2 daughters & their families at this sad time.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY:** to the 5<sup>th</sup> Northampton Girls' Brigade Company who are 110 years old this year! Birthday celebrations will take place on Tuesday the 10<sup>th</sup> of March from 5.45 to 7pm in the Main Hall at KCC and will include a Presentation of Awards, games, some fun activities and birthday cake! Everyone is invited to come along and join the celebration!

**EASTER GARDEN:** We are preparing the Garden of Hope for Easter again this year. Along with distributing palm crosses we would like to offer a small spring plant to passers by, eg. daffodils, pansies, polyanthus etc. We have done this in previous years leading up to Easter and it is very well received. If you feel able to donate a plant or two (potted up) please pass them on to Dave or myself before 29 March at the latest. If you prefer to donate money, I can buy plants on your behalf. Sheila Howard [sheilagelsthorpe@hotmail.com](mailto:sheilagelsthorpe@hotmail.com)

**MOTHERING SUNDAY 15th MARCH** We would like to distribute posies to everyone during worship on Mothering Sunday. If you can help by providing greenery or flowers please see Penny Clarke. Likewise if you are able to help make up the posies please speak to Barbara Ingman or myself. We'll meet at 10am on Saturday 14th March. Please bring a good pair of scissors if possible. Thank you, Penny Clarke.

**Church Flower Rota** If you would like to make a donation to provide flowers in the church please write your name on the list in the porch & let Barbara I know if it's for a special occasion. If you would like to arrange the flowers yourself, please write that on the list or tell Barbara. Thank you.

**Please turn over**

**STREET PASTORS:** Bola is a member of our church family and a street pastor. She is 'on duty' roughly once a month and her next shift is Saturday 28 February from 9:30pm to 4am approximately. I know Bola would appreciate our prayers for herself, the team and those to whom they minister. We thank God for Bola and the street pastors that they are following their calling to reach out to anyone in need on the streets of Northampton. Thank you. Sheila Howard

**Preparation & volunteers needed on Friday 27th February for the Jumble Sale 28<sup>th</sup> February 10 a.m.**

Volunteers needed for a working party to empty and sort the contents of the jumble cupboard from 9.30am onwards on Friday 27th February in the main hall. We also need volunteers to do a tip run or two if you are able. This is a very big job so many hands will make light(er) work even if you can just come for an hour or so. Please let Mary Reynolds know if you can come along to help with this. We will be setting up for the jumble sale in the afternoon from 2pm onwards and would also appreciate volunteers for this. If you can help on the day of the jumble in anyway please let Barbara I, Janet M or Catherine B know.

**EASYFUNDRAISING:** Would you like to raise some money for the church via online shopping? Please support Kingsthorpe Community Church on #easyfundraising this year, you can raise FREE donations when you shop online with over 8,000 retailers. It's simple and only takes 2 minutes to sign up! This will make a BIG difference to us. Sign up here: [https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/kingsthorpecommunitychurch/?utm\\_campaign=pmc&utm\\_source=email&utm\\_medium=social&utm\\_content=2026-email1](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/kingsthorpecommunitychurch/?utm_campaign=pmc&utm_source=email&utm_medium=social&utm_content=2026-email1)

**PET BLESSING SERVICE** - There will be a meeting to plan a Pet Blessing Service on Tuesday 10 March at 2pm at Rev Samantha's manse. We are planning on this happening this summer. If you are interested in helping in any way please contact me, Sheila Howard. sheilagelsthorpe@hotmail.com 07957928830

**The Holy Habit of Prayer Reflection and Sharing Group:** Lent is a time for reflection and drawing closer to God. This year, as a community at KCC, we are reflecting on prayer using the Holy Habits resources. You are warmly invited to join us on Wednesday afternoons between 2-3pm as we explore prayer together. The Holy Habit of Prayer reflection and sharing group will run for eight weeks, starting on Wednesday 18th February 2026, with the final two weeks taking place after Easter. You are welcome to attend any week, so please don't be put off if you are unable to commit to them all. **Rev Dr Samantha Gillard.**

**Church Directory amendment** - Julie Eales has a new email address - [julieeales61@gmail.com](mailto:julieeales61@gmail.com). Please update your paper copy, we will update the digital version of the Directory in due course & email that out.

**Moving Forward as a Community - details of meetings to explore developing our Church buildings** As a community, we are continuing to discern how our church — and the various rooms within it — can be developed to serve God and strengthen our missional outreach to Kingsthorpe. You are warmly invited to a meeting where we can discuss the proposed plans for developing the church. We aim to explore how we continue to serve God through worship, how our mission can grow, and how our church building may enable us to do this. If you are unable to attend but feel you have an idea or thought to raise, please email Catherine B on [secretary@kingsthorpecommunity.church](mailto:secretary@kingsthorpecommunity.church)

**Afternoon Tea for Karibuni Children Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.** - You are invited to this special event to raise funds for the charity Karibuni Children that is supported by Hellen Okello. There will be beautiful cards & colourful bags for sale and the opportunity to learn more about the trust. Come along, meet friends old & new and enjoy some tea & cake together. When - Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the home of the Leasons - 178 Obelisk Rise, NN2 8TX. Please see <https://www.karibuni.org.uk/> for more information.

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**Church walk Wednesday, 25th February.** Given the soggy nature of footpaths and bridleways until the sun shines again, this walk is all on tarmacked footpaths and quiet roads. It is also fairly short (just under 3 miles), as there is a Lent Reflection Group at Kingsthorpe Community Church at 2.00 p.m.

Starting at 10.30 a.m., the walk will begin from the parking spaces on Harlestone Road, opposite Harlestone Firs, walking to both Lower & Upper Harlestone (where the snowdrops are currently in full bloom). Lunch, for those who wish, will follow at the new Harlestone Heath Garden Centre 'Ramblers' Retreat' restaurant.

Please could you let me know by Sunday, 22nd February if you are coming on the walk, and whether or not you are staying for lunch. You are also welcome to join us just for lunch!

Pam Kirkland

**Upstairs Welcomers - new list for March & April** is in the Porch, please put your name down for this important task, please see Catherine B if you have any questions.

**A WORLD DAY OF PRAYER SERVICE** organised by Kingsthorpe Churches Together, will be held at St. Aidan's RC Church Kingsthorpe on Friday 6th March at 2.00 p.m. All welcome

**A GREAT BIG THANK YOU:** The Harlestone Road Players want to thank everyone who supported the Panto 'Alice in Pantoland'. We are delighted that the generosity of our audiences raised £3,653 for the ongoing support for cancer sufferers, their friends and family at the Maggies Cancer Centre at Northampton General Hospital.

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Doubt sees the obstacles - Faith sees the way,  
Doubt sees the darkest night - Faith sees the day,  
Doubt dreads to take a step - Faith soars on high  
Doubt whispers, "Who believes?" - Faith whispers "I".

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KMC please send any notices to Catherine Jones - [cajones1762@gmail.com](mailto:cajones1762@gmail.com). by 12 noon Thursdays.



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**Car Parking in Waitrose Car Park** - if you feel you may exceed the 2 hour free parking time due to being in Church, please complete the form at the front of the church with your car registration number.