

**Kingsthorpe Community Church A Baptist - Methodist Partnership**  
**Notices – Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2026**

Services take place at *Kingsthorpe Community Church* every Sunday, at 10.45am  
**Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> March:** Morning Worship led by Rev. Nathan Toesland & Paul Greenaway, Church Anniversary, Mothering Sunday, Communion.

**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> March:** Morning Worship led by Rev Dr Samantha Gillard

<https://zoom.us> Meeting ID: 824 5301 1738 Passcode: 8181

One tap mobile: 02034815237, 82453011738#, \*8181# UK Audio Only 0131 460 1196

**PATHFINDERS:** The children and young people meet in their groups on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of every month from 10:45-11:45am. Everyone is welcome to come along and join the fun.

**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:**

**GIRLS' BRIGADE QUIZ SHEET:** As part of our 110 celebrations we have a quiz in aid of Guide Dogs for the Blind. The quiz will be available from the 1<sup>st</sup> of March and if you want to support this very worthy cause it costs just £1.00. Please see any of the GB Leaders if you would like a quiz sheet. The winner will receive a box of chocolates!

**KCC & KBC Church meetings - Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> March after worship.** We will meet in the Hall after Worship. Please bring a packed lunch, tea & coffee will be provided. There will be a very short Baptist church meeting first followed by a Kingsthorpe Community Church meeting - the agendas for these meetings are in the porch and have been emailed round along with the minutes from our last meeting in November. There are some paper copies available. Please do take time out to attend this meeting if you can.

**EASTER GARDEN:** The Garden of Hope for Easter is now looking wonderful thanks to the hard work of Ian, Ray, Dave, Sheila & Lois. Whilst they were toiling away, they received very appreciative comments from passers-by and car drivers and also gave away some of the plants. If you are able to donate a plant or two (potted up) please pass them on to Dave or Sheila Howard before 29 March. If you prefer to donate money, to have plants bought on your behalf please let Sheila know - [sheilagelsthorpe@hotmail.com](mailto:sheilagelsthorpe@hotmail.com)

**March's Dine & Divine:** A topical, thought-provoking topic for March's Dine & Divine: **Diversity.** The nights are getting lighter, and we will have some light-hearted questions to discuss about **Diversity**, as well as some to make us think - about ourselves, our world and our faith. Do come along; it's a great way to get to know people better, to have a laugh together and to enjoy a meal. We meet at the Whitehills pub on **Tuesday, March 31st, from 6.30 – 8.30 p.m.** More details on the attached flier, but talk to Lois Leeson, Pam Kirkland or Penny Clarke if you want to know more, and make your booking with Penny by Sunday, 22<sup>nd</sup> March.

**Please turn over**

**CHURCH WALK - TUESDAY 17TH MARCH:** This month's church walk is a 3.5 mile circular walk from Stoke Bruerne, along the canal then via tracks, quiet roads and field paths, through Shutlanger and back to Stoke Bruerne for lunch at The Navigation, for those who wish. Paths may be muddy, so wear appropriate footwear. There are no stiles. Please let Pam Kirkland ([chelsea14458@gmail.com](mailto:chelsea14458@gmail.com)) know by THIS SUNDAY, 15TH MARCH if you would like to join the walk. Also, if you intend to stay for lunch, please include what you would like to eat. Menu: <https://www.navigationstokebruerne.co.uk/menus> Meet at 10.00 a.m. at either The Navigation car park (free) or the Pay & Display car park outside the Canal Museum - £3 for 4 hours, £5 all day (Pam will let you know which car park). Lifts available.

**FREE CONCERT - CANTARE SINGERS - Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2.30 p.m.-** Castle Hill URC, Doddridge Street NN1 2RN - a concert to mark the closure of this very historical Church

**SUNDAY 29th MARCH TEA SERVICE AT 4PM:** The Afternoon Tea Service will be led by Rev. Dr. Samantha Gillard and will include Holy Communion. Everyone is welcome to join us for this short service in the Hall, which will be followed by tea and cakes.

**MAUNDY THURSDAY 2nd APRIL:** There will be an Agape Service at St Marks Church in the evening. Contact Trevor Clarke for more details.

**GOOD FRIDAY 3rd APRIL:** Kingsthorpe Churches Together are planning a service at 10.00am to take place at St. Aidan's R.C. Church, Manor Road. This service will be followed by a Walk of Witness and will conclude with a blessing and refreshments in the Hall at KCC. All are welcome to attend.

**EASTER BREAKFAST SUNDAY 5th APRIL:** Breakfast will be served on Easter Sunday morning at 9.15am in the Main Hall. Please see the notice in the porch for further details and add your name if you would like to attend. Final numbers are required by Good Friday April 3rd.

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

**The Jumble Sale** raised a total of £847 for Church funds. Many thanks to all those who helped in any way and especially to those who took on the mammoth task of sorting out the very full jumble cupboard!

**Leaders meeting minutes from January** have been emailed round - there is a paper copy in the Minutes folder behind the "IT Desk".

**Continuing the Moving Forwards consultation** If you weren't able to attend one of the "Moving forwards" consultation meetings in February we would still like to take on board as many people's thoughts and feelings, with respect to how you would like Kingsthorpe Community Church's building to be in the future, as we can. There are some paper copies of a questionnaire that was used in the recent meetings in Church and also some copies of the original proposed plans. Please complete the questionnaire & place in the box that will be at the front of the Church. Please do this by Sunday 22nd March. Please also take the time to write on the draft plans with your own ideas if that's easier than trying to describe the different areas. Any questions please see Catherine B.

**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.

**METHODIST HOMESTEAD:** The Methodist Homestead has a couple of vacant cottages and they are actively looking to find suitable residents. Please see the attached flyer for more details/if you are interested.

**Table Top Sale** – will be held in Bethany Chapel on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March from 10.30a.m. – 3.30p.m.

**Easter Coffee Morning - Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March 9 a.m. to 1p.m.** at Ascote Methodist Chapel NN12 8NW. Easter Treasure Hunt, Play area, Easter Garden craft, Hot Drinks, Cake!

**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)

**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.**

**Karibuni Children Afternoon** - Thank you to everyone who came along to the Karibuni Children Afternoon on the day or who gave a donation if they could not make it. Thank you also to the cake makers and kitchen team. £478 was raised for the charity. You are a wonderful group of generous and supportive people. Thank you again. Lois.

**One Voice Podcast** - latest episode is now available to listen to - <https://open.spotify.com/episode/7yrFYA3BaYnFfIaFpPf7kd> Rev Samantha features in one of the items, why not take time out to listen

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