

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

Services take place at Kingsthorpe Community Church every Sunday, at 10.45am

Sunday 22nd March: Morning Worship led by Rev Dr Samantha Gillard

Happening today after worship: KCC & KBC Church meetings, we will meet in the Hall 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. Please do take time out to attend this meeting if you can.

Sunday 29th March: Morning Worship led by Martin Turnbull. Worship in the hall.

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.

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

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:

Happy News - Rev'd David and Jessica Speirs became proud parents to baby Peter, weighing in at 6lbs 9ozs on Saturday evening, 14th March.

GIRLS' BRIGADE QUIZ SHEET: The closing date for entries is the 24th of March. Please hand your entry to any of the GB leaders.

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

Request for Prayer : 'Please pray for Bola as she goes out with the street pastors on Saturday nights, 28 March and 4 April between 9:30pm and 4am. We pray for them and those they meet with all kinds of needs.'

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

Please turn over

Upstairs Welcomers - new list for April & May is in the porch. Please put your name down if you can.

March's Dine & Divine: Diversity. 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 fliers in church, but talk to Lois Leeson, Pam Kirkland or Penny Clarke if you want to know more, and make your booking with Penny by Sunday, 22nd March.

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.

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.

Easter Coffee Morning - Saturday 28th 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

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.**

Good Friday – April 3rd Towcester Road Methodist Church Far Cotton, are holding a hunger lunch 11.30am – 1 pm in aid of Christian Aid. All are welcome to join them for Soup, fresh bread and water.

Next Litter Pick - Saturday 18th April 1 p.m. from Kingsthorpe Library, refreshments served at the end.

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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KMC please send any notices to Catherine Jones – 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.