

Saturday 14th March, 2026

10.0 - 11.30 a.m. - Coffee morning

11.15 p.m. - Monthly recital -

Scunthorpe Co-op Training Choir

Sunday 15th March, 2026 4th in Lent

9.30 a.m. - **United Service at**

St. Andrews

4.0 p.m. - **Rev. Stuart Gunson**

Methodist Way of Life.

Monday 16th March, 2026

9.30 - 11.30 a.m. - **CHATTERBOX**

Coffee, good conversation and a friendly ear

Tuesday 17th March, 2026

10.30 - **Funeral of Margaret Jean**

Thomas followed by interment in Epworth cemetery

Wednesday 18th March, 2026

7.45 a.m. - **Prayer meeting by Zoom**

Wednesday 18th March, 2026

10.0 - 11.30 a.m. - **Jack in a Box**

- a fun time for pre-school age children and their parents or carers.

Wednesday 18th March 2026

2.30 p.m. - **MWiB** - **Lincs Age UK** Carol

Friday 20th March, 2026

6.0 for 6.30 p.m.

Church supper; Lasagna and meringue nests - £9

Sunday 22nd March, 2026 5th in Lent

10.30 a.m. - **Mr. D. Sanderson**

- **Contemporary worship**

4.0 p.m. - **Rev. Debbie Caulk**

Belton All Saints Church invites us to watch *The Chosen*, Season 5, with them this Lent on upcoming Wednesday afternoons, at 1.0 pm, in their church hall. Following is the schedule:

March 18th -- episodes 3 & 4

March 25th -- episodes 5 & 6

April 1st -- episodes 7 & 8

Also an invitation to join a Lent course

“Living in Love - a Lenten Journey”

Belton Church - 7.0 p.m.

Monday evenings until 30th March



If you have knowledge, let others light their candles in it. - *Margaret Fuller*

Christian Aid week - 10th - 16th May

Epworth Churches Together have a street licence to hold a collection on **Saturday 16th May**. Volunteers are needed to collect either at the Co-op or in the Market Place between 9.0 a.m. and 2.0 p.m.

Hourly slots are available.

Please contact Louise if you are able to help.



So the darkness shall be the light, and the stillness the dancing. - *T. S. Eliot*

Maundy Thursday 2nd April - St. Andrew's Church Passover Meal Service at 7.0 p.m. with Holy Communion, readings and hymns and a symbolic meal around a long set of tables recalling the Upper Room with Jesus and the Disciples. If you would like to attend please add your name to the list on the notice board at the back of Wesley before Sunday **29th March**.

Light

Our lectionary has thrown up 'light' once more. I seem to remember having written before of my experience as a young national service airman, walking through the night across Cannock Chase heading back to base - a truly daunting experience. As though that were not enough, there was a time when Epworth Boys' Brigade were engaged in what was named 'Night Pilot'. This was a night-time orienteering exercise in and around Normanby Park. The young people had to map-read their way around the park and woods in the dark, camping in the grounds.

The text tells us we are to live as children of light, and in these days there is darkness enough. We are fortunate that we have been shown the light of the gospel of Christ, and it is our duty to be sure that this light can be seen, guiding others, especially our young people, in the correct route.

We are so fortunate in this area that we have the Co-op Training Choir, ensuring a succession of young singers. The tradition of choral singing is thus kept alive. We can hear some of these young voices in action on Saturday - or yesterday, if you only get your copy of the notices on Sunday. If you are able to attend the recital you will be delighted in the performance, which I warmly recommend. It may help to bring a little light into your day.

Live as children of light
- for the fruit of the light
is found in all that is
good and right and true.

Ephesians ch. 5 v. 9 (NIV)



We can easily forgive a child who is afraid of the dark; the real tragedy of life is when men are afraid of the light. - Plato

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	Our Church Prayer chain is now using WhatsApp, which is totally encrypted, adding to our security and privacy policy. If you have a prayer request (with permission from the recipient) or wish to know more about becoming part of the Prayer Group, please contact Pauline - 01427 875478 or Pat - 0777 6490275 in the first instance.

Had I the heavens' embroidered cloths,
Enwrought with golden and silver light,
The blue and the dim and the dark cloths
Of night and light and the half-light,
I would spread the cloths under your feet:
But I, being poor, have only my dreams;
I have spread my dreams under your feet;
Tread softly because you tread on my
dreams.

W.B. Yeats

On seeking a poem about light I happened upon this by the Irish poet, William Butler Yeats, and whether it is fully appropriate or not I had to use it.

I love the poem; the poet is writing to the woman he loves. He vows that if he had the whole world he would lay it under her feet. However, since he is poor, he has only his dreams; he has laid them under her feet. He asks that as she walks over them she should do it gently, because they are all he has.

To add to my enjoyment of the poem there is a musical setting of it, and I have a recording of this sung by Bryn Terfel. What more could I ask?



Light tomorrow with today! -
Elizabeth Barrett Browning



Wesley Memorial
Church, Epworth

Notices for the week commencing

Sunday 15th March, 2026

