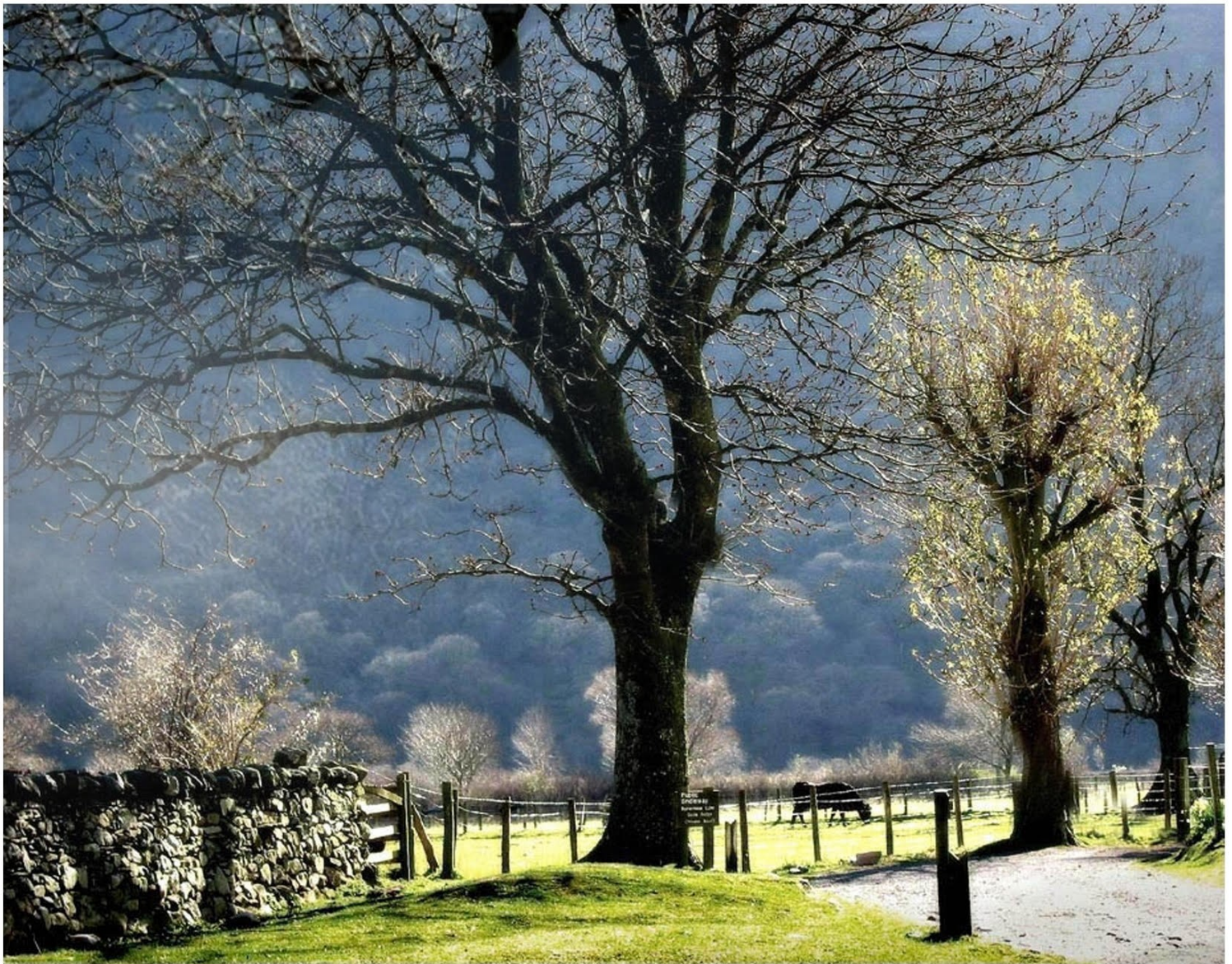


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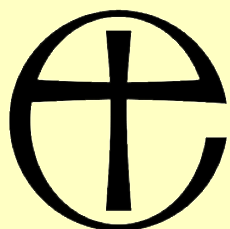
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From Rev'd David Senior



**“Take up thy cross”, the Saviour said,
“If thou wouldst my disciple be.”**

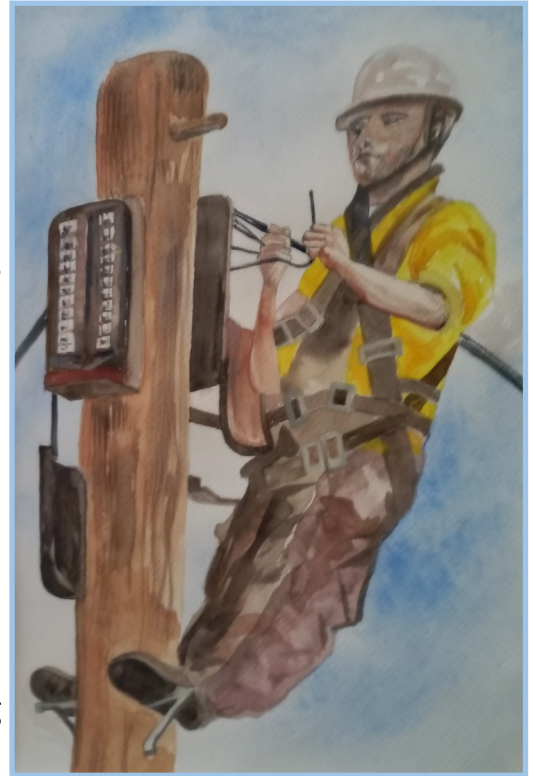
Based on Mark 8, this 19th Century Hymn often figures in this season of Lent.

By way of a hobby, I am a watercolourist, and I bring to you one of my latest efforts!

Many years ago I was inspired by a painting I have never seen, but read about. It is of a soldier in ‘no-man’s land’ being sent to repair a broken connection at a telegraph pole. He is what we would call a “lineman”. The soldier lineman is up the pole and connecting a line, and in the process is shot by the “enemy”. He is suspended there, dying, and it seems as though the connection has been made in the line as he holds both ends. The circuit is completed by him holding the wires and the transmission passing through him to the other hand and the wire there.

The caption beneath the picture is “Through!”

You will have seen many poles in our area, and down my lane we have seen linemen like ‘Alex’, a workman fixing transmission lines. Hence I was inspired to paint the picture.



Back to the story. It reminded the writer, then me, and I hope you!, that this is a modern illustration of Jesus! He is trying to connect Man to God and God to Man and is shot (killed) in the process, but he effects the line through. He is on a tree (of sorts) with lines either way making a spar (or cross).

We know that Jesus the Christ did this in a unique blessed way, effecting our Salvation.

Jesus calls us to take up these sorts of positions of “connecting” for the sake of the gospel of love, grace and healing. So that God can continually say the result: “Through!”

It is our challenge and our calling as disciples.

It is the work of people like Alex in his day job as a lineman.

It is the task of politicians and leaders in all aspects of international healing to make connections and not barriers.

During this challenge let us also notice the resurrection signs of spring stretching to the eternal hope, peace and joy of Eastertide, at the end of this holy month!

A blessed Lent and ‘Happy Easter!’ to you!

David



HOLY WEEK



Sunday 24th March — Palm Sunday

Eucharist at 10.30 am: Easingwold Parish Church
Liturgy of the Palms to be read outside (weather permitting)
Choral Evensong at 4 pm: Easingwold Parish Church

28th March—Maundy Thursday

Eucharist Service at 7.30 pm
with stripping of the Altar: Easingwold Parish Church

29th March—Good Friday

Ecumenical Service in Easingwold Market Place at 11.30 am
Final Hour Service at 2.00 pm; Easingwold Parish Church

31st March—Easter Sunday

Sunrise Service in Easingwold Market Place at 7.30 am
Eucharist and Service of Light at 9.00 am Easingwold Parish Church
Easter Service at 10.00 am: Raskelf Church with Easter Egg Hunt
Eucharist at 10.30 am: Easingwold Parish Church

CHORAL EVENSONG AT EASINGWOLD PARISH CHURCH

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SUNDAY 24TH MARCH AT 4PM
(PALM SUNDAY)

Please contact Peter Smith at
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to confirm if you are available to sing .

THE CROSS OF CHRIST

A service of meditation in words and music
for the beginning of Holy Week.

The Choir will sing Passiontide Anthems and
the service will include hymns and readings

All are welcome

The church will be decorated for Easter on
Saturday 30th March from 10.00 am
Any help would be gratefully appreciated





WORLD DAY OF PRAYER SERVICE

FRIDAY 1ST MARCH—2.15PM
AT THE METHODIST CHURCH

This ecumenical service has been put together by the Christian women of Palestine

The service shares stories from three Palestinian women, and as we hear their stories we pray for families worldwide

The retiring collection will be donated to various charities worldwide.

Widows' Group

Many of us will face the enormity of losing our husbands, often after many years of marriage, and although we know that it is inevitable, the force of it can be soul destroying and leave us feeling lonely and uncertain about our futures.

A small group of us gather to chat about the enormous changes in our lives since our bereavement and we feel that it is a worthwhile opportunity to be able to share our experiences.

Our next meeting will be held after the 10.30 service on Sunday 3rd March in the choir vestry at the back of the church and a warm welcome is extended to anyone who wishes to attend.

Nancy Kilburn

“GROUP OF EXTRAORDINARY WOMEN”

We are meeting twice this month on **Wednesday 13th and Wednesday 27th**, in Easingwold Parish Church from 7.00pm to 9.00pm.

How about joining this informal group to enjoy craft activities and a good chat?
Just come along if you might be interested.

ELECTORAL ROLL

The Electoral Roll (ER) is a list of those entitled to vote in the election of certain Parish Officers, for example Churchwardens and members of the PCC, and it is important that we have as wide a representation of parishioners as possible. A list of those currently on the ER is displayed in both Easingwold and Raskelf churches.



The forthcoming Annual Parish Meeting will take place on 19 May. If you wish to vote and are uncertain whether you are currently included, please check the list and, if necessary, complete an application form (also at the back of both churches) and return it to me at 11 Whiteoak Avenue Easingwold, or leave for my attention at the back of the parish church.

Many thanks

Ian Peel (01347 823548)



YOU and ME

.....bringing people together
is one year old!!

Over the past twelve months we have had some varied events and activities, some in house and some in venues in and around the town.. The aim has been to rebuild the church community socially post Covid whilst reaching out to the wider community. All activities do not appeal to everyone. It is not meant to be a 'club' as such but rather a 'hotch-potch of various events to pick and choose from.

The aim is to bring along a friend or a neighbour and transport can be arranged if needed.

A big "thank you" to all those who have supported events so far.

It was with sadness that we said farewell to Lottie who encouraged the start-up of You and Me following the Covid pandemic. We thank her for working tirelessly and helping to plan and to put on a variety of events, and particularly for the delicious soup stews and cakes she has prepared. We will miss her.

However, we will be carrying on for a further 12 months and a programme of new and varied events is already under preparation for the year 2024/5.

**Our next event is on Tuesday 19th March when we will meet
at Thirsk Garden Centre at 12.30pm for lunch.**

**All are welcome, don't forget, you can bring a friend and
transport can be arranged.**



Hazel and the Team

OASIS COFFEE MORNING

Easingwold Methodist Church
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**Friday 22nd March
09.45 - 11.30**



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SERVICES AND EVENTS: MARCH 2024

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or email: vicar@easingwoldraskelfanglican.org
The Vicar's day off is Monday
Children are welcome at all our services



Services at Easingwold Parish Church

Sunday and Wednesday 9.00am—Holy Communion
Sunday 10.30am—Holy Communion

Sunday 10th March—Mothering Sunday

Family Service at 4.30pm

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Easter Service at 10.00am: Raskelf Church with Easter Egg Hunt
Eucharist at 10.30am: Easingwold Parish Church

**Please note that the services schedule may vary depending upon clergy availability.
Announcements will be made or, if in doubt, check with the Churchwardens.**



Mothers' Union

Holy Communion
Thursday 21st March at 10am
followed by Coffee in the
Parish Church

All welcome

Holy Communion

at Springhill Court,
Manor Road, Easingwold
Tuesday 12th March at 3pm

All are welcome

ST MARY'S CHURCH, RASKELF

Please note change of service dates for March

Normal services on 1st and 3rd Sundays will resume in April



Wednesday 6th March: Lite Bite lunch at the Old Black Bull at 12 noon

**Sunday 10th March: Mothering Sunday service at 9.30am
with refreshments to follow the service**



**Sunday 31st March:
Easter Day service at 10.00am
Easter egg hunt and refreshments
to follow the service**

CHILDREN ALWAYS WELCOME

Open The Book at Easingwold Primary School

Thursday 7th & Thursday 21st March



Open the Book (OtB) offers primary school children an opportunity to hear key Bible stories told by a team of Christians from local churches, who present the stories during assemblies or acts of collective worship. Each presentation takes around 10–15 minutes and can be incorporated into a wider school assembly, or can be stand-alone.

**For further information please contact
Andrew Neville-Smith at a.nevillesmith@btinternet.com**

Children's Church Services at Easingwold



LITTLE SEEDS

**for 4 to 9 year olds on
Thursdays during term time at 3.45pm
in the Parish Church**



Please contact Andrew Neville-Smith at a.nevillesmith@btinternet.com
for more details or just turn up

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for 10+ year olds postponed until further notice

Readings

Evening Prayer in Easingwold is on the 1st Sunday in the month at 4pm

3rd March

Lent 3

Exodus 20.1-17
1 Corinthians 1.18-25
John 2.13-22

Exodus 5.1-6.1
Matthew 10.16-22

10th March

Mothering Sunday

Exodus 2.1-10
2 Corinthians 1.3-7
John 19.25-27

Exodus 2.6-13
Romans 5.1-11

17th March

Lent 5—Passiontide begins

Jeremiah 31.31-34
Hebrews 5.5-10
John 12.20-33

Exodus 7.8-24
Romans 5.12-21

24th March

Palm Sunday

Liturgy of the Palms

John 12.12-16 (read outside)

Isaiah 5.1-7
Mark 12.1-12

Liturgy of the Passion

Philippians 2.5-11
Mark 14.1-15:47

28th March

Maundy Thursday

Exodus 12.1-4, 11-14
1 Corinthians 11.23-26
John 13.1-17, 31b-35

29th March

Good Friday

Readings TBC

31st March

Easter Sunday

Acts 10.34-43
Mark 16.1-8

Ezekiel 37.1-14
Luke 24.13-35



From the Registers

Funerals

8 February: Caroline Penny-Smith

IS PRAYER IMPORTANT?

I would have to answer with a resounding "Yes". As well as personal prayer it is really important that we pray together. That happens, of course, when we attend a church service, but there are other possibilities too.

Christians Together Around Easingwold meet together at the New Inn (Morning Coffee Afternoon Tea) once a month on **the second Saturday from 9.00 to 9.45 am**. We pray for our local churches, for the wider Church, the community and the world. How about joining us on the **9th March**.

Or you may like to pray in confidence alongside others for those named on the Prayer Circle.

PRAYER IS NEEDED MORE THAN EVER AT THIS TIME

Nancy Kilburn

PRAYER CORNER

Prayer is at the heart of what the church offers to the community, and the prayer corner in St John the Baptist and All Saints' is used regularly. It is a space where you are able to write the names of people you would like to have remembered in the book there. At St John the Baptist and All Saints', we join with you in your prayers for family, friends and all for whom you care.



If you would like prayers for yourself or another, or for those who, at this time, are struggling with anxiety, loneliness and isolation, our small, confidential and dedicated circle of people will pray for you/them. To be included in prayers, please contact Chris Peel on 01347 823548.

Please include in your prayers this month:

- ♦ All who live within the area bounded by Uppleby, Spring Street and Crabmill Lane
- ♦ Those who use the cricket ground, tennis courts, bowling green and Memorial Park
- ♦ Those who work at, or visit, the Health Centre; district nurses and chiropodists; all those struggling with dementia and those who care for them
- ♦ Those in Raskelf who live in Westmoor Lane and its associated roads

BIBLE CONVERSATIONS

You are most welcome to join us, as usual, at 11 Whiteoak Avenue , Easingwold.

We begin promptly at 10.00am and, concluding with prayer, finish by 11.15am.

Do join us if you think you might enjoy this informal way of studying the Bible.

Contact Chris Peel (01347 823548) if you would like further information.

Christian Meditation

Most Fridays at 2.30 pm to 3.15 pm at the
Galtres Centre Function Room (upstairs)

It includes periods of music and silent meditation



In today's culture this is an opportunity of being together in a reflective mood including silence. After a brief period of spoken reflection we experience some reflective music. We then enter a period of silent meditation for about 20-25 minutes. Some people use a 4-beat mantra such as "Ma-ra-na-tha" (or Come Lord Jesus), said twice, (not out loud!) breathing in and then when breathing out.

After this, another period of music precedes a final prayer. It doesn't suit everyone but it is something worth trying. Sometimes we have a few comments, even laughter, afterwards!

In today's busy-ness people often find this simple and yet cathartic. Even children in school use silence as a restful experience!

Perhaps, give it a try? Join us, you are most welcome.

Contact Marko Jakic 01347 469049



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- ◆ Enter your First Name, Last Name, Email address and choose a password, then click on the green Create my Account button.

How do you shop once registered?

- ◆ Go to the website easyfundraising.org.uk and log in (if not already logged in) with your email address and the password you chose.
- ◆ Once logged on, click on the dropdown lists on the green taskbar to find the retailer you want, e.g. click on 'Entertainment and Leisure' then 'Food and Wine' to see shops like Sainsbury's, Tesco or Waitrose; or click on Electricals then 'Home Appliances' to see shops like Amazon, John Lewis or Argos.
- ◆ Click on the retailer you want to use then click on the Go Shopping button to buy online in the usual way.
- ◆ When you make a purchase a donation will be made to Easingwold with Raskelf Anglican Churches PCC.



Christians Together

United in prayer for the Community of Easingwold

Saturday 9th March

**at The New Inn (Morning Coffee—Afternoon Tea) on Long Street
from 8.45am for coffee/tea—prayer begins at 9.00am until 9.45am**

*Please contact Rev'd Lottie Cranfield on 07807 941528 if you have any questions
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Easingwold District Community Care Association



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- ◇ We continue to offer help with collecting shopping and prescriptions.
- ◇ Our Meals on Wheels service continues to offer a tasty, hot nutritious meal 5 days per week.
- ◇ Hub Club for people with Dementia – Tuesdays or Fridays in Easingwold Football Club. Contact EDCCA for more details.
- ◇ EDCCA Charity Boutique on Long Street - open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 09.30 to 4pm and Saturday mornings 09.30 to 12.30. Donations welcome.
- ◇ Our crossword club meets weekly here on a Monday morning in the Police House. They are a small, select group but welcome new members.
- ◇ We have a wheelchair hire service, for those who may require one.
- ◇ The Easingwold Foodbank now comes under the EDCCA umbrella and can be reached on the main EDCCA telephone number 01347 822875, this serves Easingwold and the surrounding areas.

*Office hours are Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 09.30 am to 12.30 pm
and we can be contacted by telephone on 01347 822875 or by email info@edcca.org.uk*

CHURCH SERVICES



1st Sunday:	<i>Easingwold</i>	9.00 am Holy Communion 10.30 am Holy Communion with hymns 4.00 pm Evening Prayer/Evensong
2nd Sunday:	<i>Raskelf</i> <i>Easingwold</i>	9.30 am Holy Communion with hymns 9.00 am Holy Communion 10.30 am Holy Communion with hymns (also on Zoom) 4.30 pm Family Service
3rd Sunday:	<i>Easingwold</i>	9.00 am Holy Communion 10.30 am Holy Communion with hymns 9.30 am Holy Communion with hymns
4th Sunday:	<i>Raskelf</i> <i>Easingwold</i>	9.00 am Holy Communion 10.30 am Holy Communion with hymns (also on Zoom)
5th Sunday:	<i>Easingwold</i>	9.00 am Holy Communion 10.30 am Holy Communion with hymns

Weekdays in Easingwold:

Wednesday 9.00 am Holy Communion

2nd & 4th Wednesdays 7.00-9.00pm—Women's Group in the Parish Church

3rd Thursday 10.00 am Mothers' Union Holy Communion

Thursday 3.45 pm in church—Little Seeds for 4-9 year olds (term time)

Friday 3.45 pm at the Vicarage —Ignite for 10 years + Suspended until further notice

CHORAL EVENSONG AT EASINGWOLD PARISH CHURCH **EASINGWOLD DEANERY ECUMENICAL CHOIR**

The next Choral Evensong at Easingwold will be on

SUNDAY 19TH MAY AT 4PM (PENTECOST)

Please contact Peter Smith at petersmith41@btinternet.com
to confirm if you are available to sing .

Good News

Sara Beaumont, our new Parish Administrator, is able to receive queries about funerals, baptisms and other church matters and can be contacted at office@easingwoldraskelfanglican.org

Your Church Needs You!

Could you consider helping occasionally at funerals?

We need one or two more folk. It isn't an onerous job and training will be given.

Or how about leading intercessions at our 10.30am service?

If you feel that you can help, speak with **Chris Peel** either at church
or by telephone on **01347 823548**

PCC TREASURER VACANCY

The PCC is still looking for someone to take on the role of Treasurer.

Initially this would involve working alongside Kamal Antoun (caretaker treasurer) for the next few months, and then fully take over the role.

The new treasurer will be supported by Kamal, Peter Simpson and Laura Varney during the transitional period and thereafter.

If you are interested, please contact:

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