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Vision: Loving God, Loving Each Other, Loving Lost People

ABC NEWS

Aldwick Baptist Church



10:30am Morning Worship

Family service: The wise man and the foolish man

Matthew 7:24-29

Speaker: Simon Downing

6.30pm Evening Worship

Devotional Communion

Leviticus 16:20-22

1st March 2020

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday 2nd March

09:00 – 12:00noon – **No Café Connect – closed for cleaning**

10:00 – 12noon - Craft Club

Tuesday 3rd March

10:00 – 12noon - Coffee Pot at the Council offices.

Wednesday 4th March

09:00 – 12:00noon - Café Connect

12:15 – 14:30 – Lunch club

19:00 – 20:30 - Community choir

Thursday 5thMarch

10:00 – 12noon - Coffee Time at West Meads

15:30 – 17:00 – Messy Church

Sunday 8th March

10:30 – 11.45 – Family service with Simon Downing

18:30 – 19:30 – Evening worship with Clive Bennett

NEWS AND PRAYER REQUESTS

SUNDAY MORNING – Today is our monthly family service where we hope to see lots of young people and families joining us. In today's talk Simon will be reminding us that "wise" people build their life on the rock of Jesus. There is no firmer foundation. To build on the rock means to be a hearing, responding disciple, not a superficial one who talks the talk but doesn't walk the walk. The story of the wise man and the foolish man is a Sunday school favourite but it also contains an important message for all of us. Most people do not intentionally build on a false foundation, instead they just don't think about their life's purpose. Part of our responsibility as believers is to help others stop and think about where their lives are heading and to highlight the consequences of ignoring Jesus' words.

SUNDAY EVENING - This evening we will be holding our monthly Devotional Communion around the Communion table. Our text for this service is Leviticus 16:20-22 which describes how the sins of the people were placed on the head of the scapegoat. This was an annual event that took place on the Day of Atonement. This evening as we come around the Communion Table, we remember that Jesus gave His own life and shed His own blood as an all-time sacrifice for our sins. Please join us if you are able.

TODAY'S FLOWERS. The flowers today are donated by Janet and John Cowley, in memory of John's much loved sister Susan.

TUESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY – 'The next bible study by Roger French will be on 10th March in the Lounge at 7pm on the continuing subject of 'The Crooked Counsel' looking at the six false trials that Jesus faced.''

CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER - Our next meeting is on Tuesday 3rd March at 10a.m. In the Prayer Room. This is a time of waiting on the Lord in quiet and lasts about half an hour. Please come. Angela.

ROMANIAN MISSION – Rod and Carole are now in Romania taking part in the 2020 Spring Mission based around Zalau where they will be met by Pastor Nelu. Please pray for spiritual protection and a fruitful mission.

THANK YOU – Our grateful thanks for all of your prayers over the past few weeks during my radiotherapy at the Royal Marsden hospital, Chelsea for the sarcoma cancer on my arm. The hospital is pleased with my response to treatment. I will be having more appointments soon, so please continue to pray for us both. We are very aware of the difference this makes. Thank you so much. John and Tricia.

PREACHING TEAM – Derek is preaching at Southbourne Free Church today. Please pray for this small but dedicated congregation and for his ministry there.

MESSY CHURCH – It's the first Thursday of the month (March 5th) and so that means it is "Messy Church Thursday". Games, singing, story, crafts and food. Who could ask for more? Why not come along and see what it is all about? Or, even better, why not invite someone with children to come along with you?

FRANK IS GO, GO, GO – Please pray for Frank's ministry as he will be really busy over the next two weeks as he takes God's word into our local primary school. On Monday (2nd) it's St Mary's (Horsham), Tuesday it's Fishbourne, Wednesday it's Nyewood, on Thursday (5th) its Birdham, on Friday (6th) and it's Arundel. In the following week frank is off to Dunction on Tuesday (10th), on Thursday (12th) it's Bishop Tufnell and on Friday (13th) it's back to Nyewood.

OPEN HOUSE – HOW IS IT GOING? Simon and the Leadership would like to know how you are getting on with this challenge. If you have any stories to share that might encourage others, then please either email contact@aldwickbaptist.co.uk or write a note and give it to me. We do not need names of your contacts as they remain confidential. Derek

MEMBERSHIP MATTERS – Our annual general meeting will take place on Thursday, April 23rd. As laid down in our constitution, two of the team are required to formally stand down but can then be re-nominated for a further three years. This year Brenda and Derek will be standing down. If you would like to re-nominate them, please see Clive for a nomination form. At the AGM, you can also nominate others whom you think are suitable to join the diaconate. More details about this will be in next week's news sheet.

OUR NEW REGISTRAR – Janet Cowley has agreed to take over the role of registrar from Ken Tucker as he has retired from duty. This position will need to be confirmed at the AGM. We also need to appoint a deputy registrar. If you feel able to fill this position, please contact Clive.

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WEC YOUTH CAMP TASTER DAY - Saturday, 7th March, 10am to 2pm, Shore Community Church (aka Open Gate, Victoria Drive Baptist Church). The taster day offers you an amazing opportunity to come and see what camp is like and meet up with others who might be going. The camps are aged at young people aged 9 to 17. To book a place see Ben or Anna Applin or Derek.

BUNGALOW WANTED TO RENT - Do you know of anyone who has a bungalow to rent for a middle-aged Christian man and his son? If you do, can you please contact Simon in the first instance.

CHICHESTER AREA TALKING NEWS - "Hello ABC, Chriss and Chris Mustchin (Guide dog Kenny's Mum and Dad) are committee members of Chichester Area Talking News, (CATN) who provide audio recordings of articles and news from the Observer Series of local newspapers and put them onto a CD or memory stick enabling people to keep in touch with local news and events.

We have a recording studio in the grounds of St Richards Hospital, Chichester, from where every two weeks a team of volunteers provide this service and send out to over 400 visually impaired members of our community. The criteria for receiving this is that through sight loss, you cannot read the newspaper. We also offer this service to those who just cannot hold up a newspaper.

This is a completely free service. So if you know of anyone who could benefit from this, please 'phone either of us on 01243 828982 for further information".

CHURCH PRAYER DIRECTORY UPDATE - It is over a year since we issued the loose leaf Prayer Directory and we do trust that it has been a blessing to you.

We promised that we would produce new contents (for you to exchange in the pockets of your directory) in time for the April AGM.

There will be a draft A3 copy of the Directory on the foyer tables today and for the two following Sundays and we would be grateful if you could check that your personal details are correctly recorded or write in any corrections / additions. If you want to be put in the directory for the first time then you will need to complete a church data form, sign it and submit it to Clive Bennett and then add your details to the draft A3 directory. If any of you are missing a photograph, please see Clive on the Sundays he is available and he will take your photo. (It really does help people know who they are talking to or praying for).

It is very important that all the changes are completed by you no later than 8th March so that there is time to run off a full set of directories by the AGM. Any changes after this date will have to be dealt with manually and individually by every member as there will be no regular update until the following AGM. Clive.