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ABC NEWS

Aldwick Baptist Church



Sunday 8th November 2020 – Remembrance Sunday

ABC ONLINE – TWICE A WEEK – EVERY WEEK

As you probably know by now, the church will be closed throughout November because of the latest restrictions placed upon the country due to COVID19. This, of course, is not what any of us want but it is necessary due to the growing number of cases both nationally and locally. We urge you to be careful and keep safe at this worrying time. Consequently, all of our services will now be back online beginning with this week's Remembrance Service. Simon's sermon today is based around Psalm 13 as the psalmist asks' "How long Lord?" My hometown's motto is, "Out of darkness cometh light" which was quoted to me many times when I was in a younger and in a pickle. So, no matter what we face in the coming days, please remember there is always light at the end of the tunnel and we can confidently look forward to a brighter future. Derek

Our online services

Our Sunday morning service will go "live" at 6pm on a Saturday evening. However, if possible, we would like you to join us on Sunday in prayer at around 10.20am before watching the service at 10.30am as normal. This week, please pray for your church family and especially for Simon and his family in these difficult times.

Please click here to go directly to the current service page. You can then watch the entire service through the without interruption by following the simple instructions on that page.

Derek will be leading our midweek service when we begin a new series based on Psalm 119"105-112. The title of his sermon is, "God's word – Light and Joy". So, if you have time, why not read these verses as the sermon might not be quite what you expected from v105.

If you missed any of earlier services these can be viewed online services by going to http://www.aldwickbaptist.co.uk/latest-news/online-sermons

BRIDGET LONG – Bridget is moving to Arun Lodge soon but in the meantime had a fall and was taken to St. Richard's hospital on Friday.

LILLIAN HOBBS – This week we heard form Lillian's nephew, Peter, who had just been to see her in her care home here in Bristol. Peter tells us that Lillian is at the "end of life" nursing stage, but that she constantly amazes him with her cheeriness when he visits. Peter adds, "We are all wondering if she will make it to her 104th birthday on 22 December. Nothing would surprise us!"

Bridget Long has been sending Lillian the ABC News sheet every week which apparently Lillian enjoys reading. Lillian wants to then her thanks to Bridget and give her love to all who remember her. We will continue sending Lillian the news sheet whilst Bridget is recuperating.

ROD AND CAROLE - Carole and Rod have both tested positive for COVID and are in isolation. Apparently, Rod had been asked to take the funeral of a man (John) on Hayling island. After returning home he discovered that John had COVID on his death certificate and that his wife Betty had just been tested positive for it and their daughter (Jill) was getting tested. Two or three days after getting back home Rod and Carole began to feel unwell and hence got a test and tested positive (the second time after their Romania dose). The problem is made more complex because Rod and Carol after their return from Hayling Island had seen various people, all of whom are now having to be tested for COVID. Rod and Carol are not as poorly as last time but would welcome prayer for John's family and theirs. Please pray for Rod and Carole as well as the families mentioned above.

MICHELLE CRANE – It is Michelle's birthday on Wednesday 11th November, so after me, "One, two three, Happy Birthday Michelle!"

THIS WEEK'S POEM

On Remembrance Sunday, when we think of the people who have given their lives so that we might live in freedom, it is fitting to think what Jesus has done for you and me.

You and Me

How heavy was that cross,
On the way to Calvary.
Oh, what love knowing
What He had to face.
But His thoughts were for you and me.
He knew the fate He had to bare;
We cannot imagine the pain
He was to suffer there,
But He did not flinch
As they led Him to the tree.
Yes, though all the anguish and the fear
His thoughts were for you and me.

Arthur McGee

KEITH SCOTT – Keith has moved to Royal Garden Hotel, 1 Princess Avenue, Bognor Regis, PO21 2QT. His mobile number remains 07873 787368.

GETTING READY FOR CHRISTMAS – After you magnificent effort for the Harvest collection, wwe are organising a collection of items again before Christmas – for Foodbank and St. Joseph's night shelter.

They have informed us that they would like to receive:

- Mince pies; Christmas puddings
- Biscuits; Ready made custard (tinned or carton);
- Stuffing; Gravy granules;
- Tinned vegetables (but not baked beans!);
- Chocolates including children's selections;
- Toiletries e.g. shampoo, shower gel, soaps;
- St. Joseph's are also grateful for any non-perishable foodstuffs but especially the above at this time of year.

Assuming that the church is allowed to re-open in early December, Brenda is organising a drop off point on Saturday 5th December for bringing to Church between 10 am to 1 pm.

Pray hard that the lockdown will end on December 2 nd so we can go ahead with this vital work!!

… and finally

URGENT PRAYER REQUESTS - If you have, or know of, an urgent need for prayer in the coming two weeks then please contact Derek as first responder for the prayer chain.

PRAYER REQUEST UPDATE - Rosanne is now out of hospital (PTL) and staying with her daughter Michelle for the next four weeks. She has not had a skin graft as the hospital is trying an alternative treatment which might avoid the need. Please pray that this treatment will work.

Rosanne has also only got a temporary death certificate for her late husband, with a second autopsy planned for 16th December!! She is not sure yet what effect this will have on arranging the funeral.

She is grateful for the prayers, cards and best wishes from ABC and would just ask that we continue to pray for healing and an ability for her to arrange her husband's funeral.

She would like to pass on her address for the next three to four weeks in case people want to get in touch. It is 24, Mount Court, The Mount, Guildford, Surrey, GU2 4HX.

PRAYER NEEDED – Please pray for Simon as he prepares the next in his series on the "Signs of Jesus' return". Next week he will be speaking on 'The "End time ruler" as revealed in Matthew 24:15-25. Please pray for God's guidance as he prepares his talk.

PLEASE ALSO CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR – Mavis Eade, Rod and Carole Greenwood, Hazel Lodge, Rosanne Gould, Jean and Mike Shaw, Mick Parker, Michelle and Jon Crane, Arthur and Eileen McGee, Jean Houlston, Marie Stoneham, Bridget Long, Maureen Jones, Marion Bryant, Chris Grant, Mary Edwards, Kate Moss, Joy Smith, Pam Brown, Stella Filby, Joan Brett, Joy Puffett, Val Collett, Pam Ryan, Tony Brock, George Woods, and for any others in our fellowship who are unwell at this time.

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