aldwickbaptistchurch

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

ABC NEWS



Sunday 23rd May 2021

ABC ONLINE – TWICE A WEEK – EVERY WEEK

Following the Government's current guidelines and the subsequent advice from the Baptist Union, the church is now **open** for Sunday worship. We do, however, still need to follow the current restrictions which means, social distancing, masks, sanitiser, no singing and restricted numbers. We are restricted to 35 worshippers (more details inside). As numbers are restricted, we will be continuing with our online services on Sundays and Wednesdays. This Sunday, Simon returns to our series based on the prayer. This week we Simon's talk is entitled, "Prayer II – The throne of grace". In this series we will be re-emphasising both the importance of prayer in our lives but also the amazing truth that when you pray, God actually welcomes you into the very throne room of His grace. Do make use of this invitation into His presence. 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.

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.

In our midweek series this week we continue with our 13 part series entitled, "Unstoppable – A journey through the Book of Acts". In this series we will be considering God's plans for His church and asking, "Why do we do what we do?" and "Is this what God wants us to do?"

This week Clive will be bringing us part 6 entitled "Radically saved". This week's message covers Acts chapter 9:1-31 and so you may find it helpful to read through this chapter before the service.

This service can be accessed using the same link as above from 4pm on Tuesday.

If you have missed any of the previous talks in this series then they can be accessed through the website by going to http://www.aldwickbaptist.co.uk/latest-news/online-sermons.

THE CHURCH IS NOW OPEN FOR SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP - We are now open for Sunday morning worship but still under the current restrictions which means, social distancing, masks, sanitiser, no singing and restricted numbers. We will be restricted to 35 worshippers, so, if you wish to attend, you have to **reserve a place**. As before, I really need a reply from everyone indicating whether they want to be classed as HOME or CHURCH. Unfortunately, we will not be able to admit anyone who is not on the list. This is for the safety of us all. If more than 35 want to come, then we will simply take the first 35 positive responses. As before please do not congregate in the car before or after the service. Current covid restrictions are still in force although the number of cases in this area is falling. The church remains closed for all other activities. We are monitoring the both the Government's and the Baptist Union's guidance as to when this may change. We just ask that you remain patient and vigilant for the time being. Derek.

STELLA – Just a reminder that it is Stella's funeral at 11.00am on 24th May (Monday) at Chichester Crematorium - restricted numbers will still apply and so if you want to go, please contact Stuart.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES – Belatedly to Malcolm Farrington (22nd) but on time for Phil Higson (26th) and David Hanchard (30th). You may notice this is a rarity as all are "Birthday Boys". So let's wish the boys a big ABC "Happy Birthday". If you would like to share your birthday details with us then please contact Lynne Allard (265360) who is acting as our birthday monitor! If you want details of the BMS birthday scheme then please contact Brenda (265984).

When we go through difficult times and we feel overwhelmed by our problems, how wonderful that with Jesus we can look forward to a future beyond all these things.

"Beyond"

Beyond the doubt and fears,
Beyond all sorrow and tears,
Beyond all conflict and pain,
When we never say goodbye again.
Beyond the earthquakes and floods,
To a place of never-ending love.
Safe in the arms of the King of Kings.
Yes beyond all time and space.
How wonderful to be with Jesus
In that eternal place.

Arthur McGee

IMPACT FELPHAM - Impact Felpham has been part of summer in Felpham since 1918! Every summer our amazing team of volunteers put on events for children, young people and families around Felpham, Elmer and Middleton, West Sussex. While there have been various changes over the years, the vision remains the same, sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ and enabling young people and their families to encounter the love of God. Local churches and Christians partner with Scripture Union for a week of activities which has included holiday clubs, water fights, beach events, treasure hunts, sports and games, with every moment immersed in the love of Jesus.

Impact Felpham 2021 will run from Mon 26th – Thurs 29th July (with Mon being a team and set up day).

Due to the ongoing uncertainty of the pandemic we've taken the decision to plan things differently to 'normal', in the hope that our currently flexible plan can be adapted depending on what level of covid safety measures we need to follow. Impact Felpham 2021 will include a series of daytime family activity workshops (hopefully mostly outside), evening youth sessions, and a session at the beach. Throughout every activity, we will be seeking to share the love of Jesus through our welcome, our conversation and our lives.

Do you want to be involved in sharing the love of Jesus with our community this year? Well if you do or if you want to know more or have any questions you can contact Dan Balsdon, Impact Felpham Team Leader by email: impactfelpham@scriptureunion.org.uk

PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR –Kay and Ken Tucker, Janet Sprules, Hilary Naesmith, Jean Shaw, Mick Parker, Michelle and Jon Crane, Arthur and Eileen McGee, Chris Grant, Mary Edwards, Kate Moss, Joan Brett, Val Collett and for any others in our fellowship who are unwell at this time.

THIS WEEK'S NEW PRAYER REQUESTS

- Ian Sorrell is still having problems with his legs which he finds most debilitating. He is currently waiting for an appointment to see a specialist. Please pray for relief from pain, a speedy appointment, a correct diagnosis and then the correct treatment.
- Marion Bryant is really struggling at present. Please pray for peace of mind and a general improvement in her health and wellbeing.
- Vivienne Newman who has been suffering from carpal tunnel syndrome had her operation this week and all appears to have gone well. Vivienne is still in a lot of pain and so please continue to pray for her recovery and for immediate pain relief.
- Eve Williams is now back at home at the Royal Garden Hotel with two black eyes and a cut on her forehead following a fall. She is now having to quarantine for 14 days. Please pray her ongoing recovery.
- Good news – Both Shibali's father and Avinash's families back in India are making good progress following their recent coronavirus infections. Please thank God for His answers to prayer. Avinash and Shibali both want to thank you all for your prayers and support in these difficult times.7
- Margaret Vincent has been having problems her left eye and now has to have an urgent operation in the next two weeks. After that she needs to have another two operations to have cataracts removed from both eyes. Please pray that this all goes to plan and for the Lord to give Margaret peace of mind.
- Pam Ryan is still in hospital and has been suffering from low blood pressure. Can you please pray for a correct and speedy diagnosis, correct treatment, peace of mind and healing?
- Mavis Eede has had her scan but not the results. She remains a little bit apprehensive and has been told to do nothing but rest. Please pray for peace of mind and a positive outcome.

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