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ABC NEWS

Aldwick Baptist Church



Sunday 24th April 2022

What do I do when I feel confused?

Luke 24:13-35

In line with the Government's guidelines, face coverings are no longer mandatory in our church and wearing them is now optional and a matter of personal choice. However, as the number of cases is rising quickly, we think it is wise to be cautious. So please think carefully about your own situation and that of your friends and their safety. We will continue to reserve two rows for people who wish to wear masks and maintain a safe distance between themselves and others. Derek

TODAY'S SERVICE – In our service today, we return to our series entitled, "What do I do when I feel …" Reflecting on our reading today taken from Luke 24:13-35, we will be travelling on the road to Emmaus with two weary disciples as we try to answer the question, "What do I do when I feel confused?" It is particularly hard when we thought God would do something, but He didn't. When God simply didn't come through as we had hoped. Consequently, we feel as if He has let us down. And that leads to confusion and, for some, a loss of faith. I hope you can see how important and relevant this topic is today.

We do hope you can join us for the service in the church but if you can't actually join us, you will be able to access the service live form 10.30am by going to: http://www.aldwickbaptist.co.uk/category/current-sermons

MALCOLM GRAHAM - "The funeral of Malcolm Graham (father of Beverley McAlpine) will take place at Chichester Crematorium from 2-3.15pm on 27/04/22 and those who knew him are warmly invited. The family wish to thank everyone who showed him such kindness during his time here. What loving people we have at ABC!" Bev.

HOME MISSION – A MESSAGE FROM PAUL KERLEY (SEBA's regional minister)
I am writing to thank your church for supporting Baptist Home Mission in 2021. Sometimes churches say to me "Why should we support Home Mission?" For me Home Mission is all about helping Baptist Union churches and projects reach their mission potential and bring the love of God to their communities. In fact all Baptist churches around the country are encouraged to prayerfully and financially support Home Mission and in this way every member of the Baptist family can support, encourage and resource one another. In fact, it is true to say that "Every Baptist church is a Home Mission church". Why? Because every Baptist church that supports Home Mission can benefit from the Baptist Union National Resource Teams at Didcot and the work and ministry of SEBA – especially the work of our Regional Ministers and staff. Then of course there are those churches in SEBA that need some financial assistance from Home Mission in order to facilitate paid ministry. In 2022 there are 10 SEBA churches and projects that are receiving Home Mission Grants (now called Church Growth Grants) to allow them to have a part or full time minister. These are… Hawkinge Baptist, Arabic Community Church, Community Church Robertsbridge, Good News Brighton, Addlestone Baptist, Chiddingfold Baptist, Hawkhurst Baptist, Newhaven Baptist, Kent Thameside and Northfleet North. May the Lord richly bless you and the work of your church this year.
In HIS glorious service,
Rev. Paul Kerley (On behalf of SEBA)

THIS WEEK'S POEM

This week, Arthur's poem reminds us that although things here on earth may cause us concern and confusion, there is a wonderful future promised to all believers who give their lives to the King of Kings.

"Beyond"

Beyond the doubts and fears.
Beyond the sorrow and tears.
Beyond the conflict and pain,
Where we will never say goodbye again.
Beyond the earthquakes and the flood,
To that place of never-ending love.
Beyond all wars and evil things
Safe in the arms of the king of kings.
Beyond all space and time
Where love will reign forever
And God's light will always shine.

Arthur Magee

TODAY'S FLOWERS - These have been donated by Richard And Corinne Cheffers in memory of Richard's late mum. Still missed.

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS – This week we have a bumper crop of birthdays starting today with Polly Bennett's birthday. Thi is followed by birthdays for Jan Harris (26th), Christine Mustchin (27th) and Janet Norton (29th). Do wish them all a big HAPPY BIRTHDAY. If you want to be placed on our birthday list, and receive a celebratory slot in the news sheet, please contact Lynne Allard (265360. If you want details of the BMS birthday scheme, then please contact Brenda.

GIFT AID – Although generally there is no such thing as a free gift, the government's gift aid scheme gets pretty close. If you are a taxpayer, it means we can claim an extra 25p for every pound you give through your tithes and offerings. The scheme cost you nothing. You do have to make a Gift Aid declaration for the us to be able to claim. You do this by filling in a form which you can get from Peter Kaufman. In the last financial year, we were able to claim around £9000 – which is a significant amount!

A MESSAGE FROM MOLLY HAWKINS – I am now back at home from hospital after 10 days (Covid + a fall - OK now, just more wobbly). Do hope you're all keeping well & Simon able to take proper time off to recover too. Longing to get back to church as soon as I'm fit enough, but in the meantime take good care of yourselves - God bless, Molly

… and finally

- **FIRST RESPONDER** – As Simon will be back in action from Monday, he will be acting as first responder. Please contact Simon or your pastoral lead if you need urgent help and prayer. Derek
- **MAVIS EEDE** – Good news, Mavis is back at home. However Mavis is being closely monitored with blood samples being taken every day. She will then be given an appointment at St. Richards for further tests and a possible treatment plan. She still needs of our prayer support. Please pray for a swift an accurate diagnosis and then the correct treatment. Please also pray for peace of mind and healing.
- **EMILY BROWN** – Emily has been moved to Marriot House in Chichester where she will be staying for a few weeks. Emily is not allowed to put any weight on her foot for six weeks, so cannot move about on her own., She is finding this particularly difficult. If you want to ring Emily her number is 07496316127.
- **JOAN BRETT -** Joan Brett is also in hospital with a broken leg and whilst there contacted covid. She has been there for 4 weeks unable to receive visitors. If you know Joan, he daughter Gillian, says she would love to hear from you by text message. Joan's number is 07854 134342.
- **TREVOR GAUDOIN** – Trevor is still in hospital with low haemoglobin levels, excess fluid in his legs, lungs and heart. Please pray for a correct diagnosis, swift treatment, healing and peace of mind for the family. Pray too for Doreen who is currently not allowed to visit Trevor.
- **PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR** – Doreen Evans, Sue Applin, Eileen McGee, Hilary Naismith, Ernie Puffett, Vivienne Newman, Eve Williams, Marjorie Flynn, Emily Brown, Hazel Bell, Kay Tucker, Bob Hobart, Molly Hawkins, Christine Grant, Doreen Evans, Ann Tyler, Michelle and Jon Crane, and Val Collett.
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