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

ABC NEWS

Aldwick Baptist Church



Sunday 22nd May 2022

Spiritual Gifts 2

1 Corinthians 14:1 - 5

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 still quite high, 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 worship service today, Simon continues with part 2 of our new mini-series on Spiritual Gifts. I wonder what you think of when you hear someone mention Spiritual Gifts? Do you think they are reserved for "chosen ones" or do you think that we have all been given Spiritual gifts by our lovely heavenly Father? As you probably know, there is confusion about this and even suspicion of people who display such gifts. I am sure we will all benefit from hearing Simon's teaching on this. So don't miss out!

Of course, 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

DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO COULD BE A DEACON? – Deacons are a group of men and women appointed by the church meeting to serve* with the Minister as a leadership team. Whilst the team cannot represent exactly, it is hoped that it will reflect the mix of gender, age and background within our fellowship. Our constitution says we should have up to 8 deacons – but currently we only have 5. Who would like to remedy this at our AGM in July. Do you know someone who could be a deacon? If you do, then talk to them about it as well as speaking to one of the current deacons (*Deacon means servant - see Acts 6:1-4, 1 Timothy 3:8-13).

ADVANCE NOTICE - SUNDAY 29th MAY – There will be a special service to mark the end of our current Alpha series. The church sanctuary will be rearranged "café style" for that day only. If you are not too sure what that means, then you should make sure you are there!

NEWS FROM BRIAN AND JACKIE CHILVERS – Our link missionaries are now back in the UK and will be visiting us on 5th July (see below). Their latest newsletter begins, 'At the time of writing this we have just celebrated Easter and are preparing to leave Chad for the UK in just two days. We have a very full home assignment schedule and are looking forward to meeting lots of you who regularly pray for us and support us, but we haven't yet met in person.' To continue to read their newsletter speak to Barbara.

A VISIT FROM BRIAN AND JACKIE CHILVERS, our BMS link missionaries will be coming to the church on Sunday 5th June at 4pm for tea, cakes and talk. This will be a good chance to meet up socially and to find out what is really going on with their mission in Chard. For those who don't know, we support BMS by giving them a gift of £200 each month. In this way, we help those who the world has forgotten. We are a part of BMS's work, all day, every day. For further details, do talk to Barbara.

THIS WEEK'S POEM

This week Arthur looks forward to the day when Jesus returns.

The Wonderful Day

How we longed for that glorious day
When a Lord comes again.
No more wars sorrow or pain
Can you imagine the wonders we will see?
The son of man descending on the clouds of heaven
As the waters covered the sea.
The choirs of angels singing,
as we fall down on our knees and pray
Oh, what joy there will be
on that wonderful day.
The sun and moon proclaiming His glory,
The final chapter of that old story.

Arthur Magee

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS – Today is Malcolm Farrington's birthday, so do let's all wish him a very Happy Birthday today. There are no more birthdays on our list for this week, so Malcolm is unique. If you do 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.

ADVANCE NOTICE 2 – SATURDAY 11th JUNE – LOVE ALDWICK VINTAGE POP-UP CAFÉ. As our contribution to the Queen's Platinum Jubilee**,** we will be holding a vintage style pop-up café in the church carpark and in the church buildings. You are all invited and encouraged to invite your friends and neighbours. Among other things there will be bagatelle, tabletop skittles, large wood skittles, shove ha'penny, ice cream and cream teas. You will need to book. More details later.

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 tax-payer, 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!

… and finally

- **DRIVE CAREFULLY IN GOSSAMER LANE** – and of course everywhere else! As there are road works in Gossamer Lane for gas main updates, there are temporary traffic lights in operation. This will be going on for several weeks, so do take care. There has already been at least one significance accident.
- **FIRST RESPONDER** – Simon will be acting as first responder. Please contact Simon or your pastoral lead if you need urgent help and prayer. Derek
- **TREVOR GAUDOIN** – As most of you know, Trevor's funeral took place on Friday followed by a service of celebration and thanksgiving for his life. If you missed it but want to know more about Trevor the man, Trevor the dad, Trevor the practical joker, Trevor the DIY semi-expert or Trevor the believer then you can still view the entire service by clicking here.
- **MAVIS EEDE** - Mavis is beginning to feel a little but is still feeling very low at the moment. She has various appointments planned but does want to thank you all for your prayers and messages. Mavis is missing the church greatly and can't wait to be back with us. She still needs of our prayer support please pray for peace of mind and healing.
- **EMILY BROWN** – Emily has left Marriot House in Chichester where she has been staying for a few weeks. She is now back at home but will have to have home help. Emily would like to thank you for your prayers and messages. If you want to ring Emily, her number is 07496316127.
- **PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR** – Joan Brett, Doreen Evans, Sue Applin, Eileen McGee, Hilary Naismith, Ernie Puffett, Vivienne Newman, Eve Williams, Marjorie Flynn, 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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