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

ABC NEWS

Aldwick Baptist Church



Sunday 8th May 2022

What do I do when I feel fearful?

2 Timothy 1:3-7

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 worship service today, we continue with our series entitled, "What do I do when I feel …" as Clive asks the question, "What do I do when I feel fearful?". In his notes for today, Clive says "Today we come to what I believe is the most debilitating issue that can challenge our faith in Jesus Christ and render us ineffective in our ability to live our lives as Jesus intended." He goes on to quote Franklin D Roosevelt who said: *"We have nothing to fear but fear itself.* A statement that Clive believes is certainly true for every Christian who has committed their lives to Jesus Christ. Intrigued? Then make sure you don't miss this!

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

PREACHING TEAM – I will be leading and preaching at Southbourne Free Church today where my topic is "Keep right on to the end of the road" based on Hebrews 12:1-3. Please do pray for this small church as they are currently struggling. Please pray too for clarity in my own thoughts and words and that they represent what God wants this church to hear. They have appointed a part-time minister starting in September who will also need our prayers. Derek

MAKE USE OF THE PRAYER ROOM – Dear Friends, there are so many requests from your brothers and sisters for prayer up in the prayer room. Please go in and pray these much-needed requests. Thankyou Angela

PEACE TOGETHER PUZZLERS - If you enjoy doing jigsaw puzzles, why not come along to the Peace Together Puzzlers 10-12 on Saturday 14th May. Enjoy a coffee and do a puzzle. Alternatively come and borrow puzzles to do at home. We have a good selection of 500 and 1000 piece puzzles to choose from. Looking forward to seeing you there…Claire Millington.

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!

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!

THIS WEEK'S POEM

Arthur once went to see a friend in a hospice. His friend said there are so many things I would love to see just once more. This then inspired Arthur to write this poem in his memory, called "Just once more".

Just once more

Just to see once more the loved ones
who meant the world to me.
Just to see once more the sunset
reflecting across the golden sea.
Just to see once more the millions of stars
in the Milky Way.
Oh, how it took my breath away.
Just to walk once more through the valleys and the hills
where I saw the golden daffodils.
Just to rest once more by the tranquil stream,
in that perfect peaceful place where I could rest and dream.
Just to see the rainbow in the summer rain.
Oh, I would love to see all these things again.

Arthur Magee

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS – This week we have a bumper crop of birthdays to celebrate. So let's join together an wish them all a wonderful happy birthday. It's Doreen Gaudoin's and Sheila Sargent's birthday on Thursday (12th). It's Margaret Beckett's, Joy Smith's and Rod Greenwood's birthday on Friday (13th). 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.

WHO ARE THE DEACONS? - 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?
(*Deacon means servant - see Acts 6:1-4, 1 Timothy 3:8-13.)

… and finally

- **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 will know by now, Trevor died at 5.45pm on Monday of this week. His family were with him at the end. Thankfully Trevor is now released from his suffering and is with the Lord. Naturally the family are upset, so please pray for peace and strength over the next few weeks and beyond.
  Please also thank God for Trevor's life.
- **MAVIS EEDE** – As you know Mavis is back at home, but she is 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 so please 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 another two weeks, so cannot move about on her own. She is hoping to then come 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.
- **HAZEL LODGE -** Good news! Haze is feeling much better now and has been able to return to work. She would like to thank you for your prayers and support.
- **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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