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

ABC NEWS

Aldwick Baptist Church



Sunday 31st July 2022

Our Sunday worship service

"Wells of Salvation"

Isaiah 12:2-3

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 – This weekend, Simon takes a break from our series on Hope, as he feels God has something very special to say to us this weekend. Simon believes that God wants us to have hearts that burn for him and his Word, just as their hearts did, when they were on the road to Emmaus, Luke 24. Simon begins by asking us this question, "Are you ready for the word of the Lord today?" His talk is called "Wells of Salvation" and is based on Isaiah 12:2-3 where God reminds us that "With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation." Don't miss this service!

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 this service from 10.30am by going to: http://www.aldwickbaptist.co.uk/category/current-sermons

TODAY'S FLOWERS – Today's flowers for this week donated by me in memory of Marjorie Hanchard, my mum. David Hanchard

CHURCH AGM & MEMBERS MEETING – Thank you that so many of you came to the AGM on Thursday. At this meeting, Clive Bennett was re-elected to serve on the diaconate. In addition, you voted for Joy Smith and Hazel Lodge to be appointed as deacons. Please pray for God's guidance for the entire leadership team as we seek to find God's will for His people here at ABC. We also heard recommendations for membership Brad & Glad Bradshaw, Jan Johnson and Karen Bourdillon. I am pleased to say that these recommendations were accepted by the members present. The next Church meeting will be held on Sunday 23rd October following the morning service. This is in line with your decision to hold the Autumn/Winter meetings following the service on a Sunday morning and the Spring/Summer meetings to be held on a Thursday evening.

PREACHING TEAM AT SOUTHBOURNE FREE CHURCH – Brian Goldsmith will be preaching at Southbourne Free Church on Sunday, 31st July, David Howling will be preaching there on Sunday 7th August and I will be preaching there on Sunday 14th August. Please pray for this small congregation and for Holy Spirit power in our preaching. The Reverend Paul Cox will be leading this church from 31st August. Do pray for his safe arrival and revival in Southbourne.

ADVANCED NOTICES – The Downing family will be on holiday from 10th August to 25th August. Our Harvest celebrations will take place over the weekend of 1st /2nd October. This is a "Love Aldwick" special event - more details to follow. We will be supporting the "shoebox" appeal as we get nearer to Christmas. This will be organised by Brenda.

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP – If you want to know more about Church membership, then do talk to me or ask for a copy of our helpful guide. Derek

THIS WEEK'S POEM

This week Arthur asks us to remember each morning is part of God's amazing creative and loving power. No matter how you are feeling, why not take a few moments every morning to thank you for the miracle of a new day?

New Day

In the clear of a still summer morning
when the sun is beginning to shine.
When the birds are singing another new day,
It's life's precious time.
In the clear of a still summer morning,
We pause and make time to reflect,
that we are part of creation.
Oh, what a privilege, what a prospect.
In the clear the still simmer morning,
the stars slowly fading away,
We feel the hand of God
To guide us through another new day,

Arthur Magee

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS – This week we appear to have four birthdays to celebrate. We have Angela Halfacree and Perrie Sims (Monday, 1st August), Alan Rumsby (Thursday, 4th August) and Jess Hodges (Friday, 5th August). So do remember to wish them all a **BIG HAPPY BIRTHDAY**. If you want to be included in 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.

BMS PRAYER APPEAL - Edwin Penman, Church Relations Co-ordinator, BMS World Mission asks:- Could your church pray with us? Global Cost of Living Crisis appeal –You'll be all too aware from the news that the continuing conflict in Ukraine is destroying the supply of some of the globe's most essential produce. Even as I write, out-of-control food and fuel prices are driving vulnerable people across the world to starvation and deprivation. Our appeal is to raise funds to support those most suffering as a result of this war's ongoing collateral damage. More than that, we need the POWER OF YOUR PRAYERS again as, through our mission workers and our partners, we witness how a war in Europe can have such a terrifying global impact. For further details see Barbara.

BAPTISM – if you haven't been baptised as a believing adult, then maybe you should think about it. After all it is what Jesus commanded. For more details to Simon or me.

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- **FIRST RESPONDER** – Simon will be acting as first responder this week. Please contact him or your pastoral lead if you need urgent help and prayer. Derek
- **DOREEN GAUDOIN** – "Doreen has now been transferred to St. Wilfrid's Hospice, which is what she wanted, and she will receive the best care there. Visiting is still restricted. Thank you all for your continued prayers and support." Heather
  Please do continue to pray for Doreen and the family at this very difficult time. Pray especially for Andre who will find this all very confusing.
- **MARIE STONEHAM** – The damage to Marie's foot where she had a large flap of skin pull away from her foot is going to take a long time to heal. She has to have her foot dressed regularly and, in her words, it looks a right mess. As always, Marie remains very cheerful but please do pray that the skin reattaches itself and that the wound then heals.
- **KATRINA GOULD** – Katrina is currently in need of our prayers as she has had a seizure and has taken to bed in the heat. Her doctor has changed her medication and Rosanne is trying to support her as best as she can. Rosanne has asked for prayer particularly for Katrina's medication change that it will stabilise her. Please do pray for Katrina and Rosanne.
- **KAY TUCKER** – Kay had a recent fall and continues to struggle with her balance. She would like to thank you for your prayers and good wishes.
- **IAN SURRELL** – Ian is now back at home but still in need of your prayers as his illness is not straight forward. Please pray for the correct diagnosis, correct treatment and healing.
- **PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR** – Pam Brown, Mavis Eede, Joan Brett, Doreen Evans, Eileen McGee, Hilary Naismith, Ernie Puffett, Vivienne Newman, Marjorie Flynn, Bob Hobart, Molly Hawkins, Christine Grant, Ann Tyler, Michelle and Jon Crane, and Val Collett.
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