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ABC NEWS

Aldwick Baptist Church



Sunday 30th October 2022

"Light Overcomes the Darkness"

John 1:1-5

1 John 1:1-7

Clive Bennett

TODAY'S SERVICE – This weekend is Halloween and for many there will be excitement as they dress up and celebrate what they believe to be a fun time knocking on doors and asking for a "trick or treat". For others there will be a dread of strangers knocking at the door and being frightened by the macabre costumes and the pressure of responding to the question "Trick or treat". In a service today, Clive will be looking at our Christian response – is it just harmless fun or is there a real problem? Is Halloween itself a Trick or Treat. The title of Clive's talk is "Light overcomes the darkness" based around John 1:1-5 and 1 John 1:1-7.

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

BRIAN GOLDSMITH – Brian is preaching at Arundel Baptist Church today and would appreciate our prayer support. Please pray for safe travel, a Spirit filled message and receptive hearts.



FRANK IS BACK IN ACTION – Frank finds half-term a nuisance as it stops him getting into our local schools with a Christian message for the kids. But now it's over and Frank will be at Birdham Primary school on Thursday (3rd), then it's off to Arundel on Friday (4th) and then onto Fishbourne on Tuesday (8th). Please pray for safe travel, good health, a strong message and open hearts from the children

SHOEBOX APPEAL – Thank you for your support so far. Just a quick reminder that the last Sunday in October is the final date to return the shoeboxes. So that is today! Brenda

USED POSTAGE STAMPS - Due to various circumstances, the Baptist Union are no longer receiving used postage stamps. But please continue to save them as before as we will be supporting the local charity 4SIght.to help them support blind and partially sighted folk in the community. The collection box will continue to be on the shelf at the rear of the Church. Thank you in anticipation for your continued support. Brenda

HOMEGROUPS – There are currently six homegroups, five of which run in the afternoon and one in the evening. Details of these homegroups are on the noticeboard. We would like to start at least one other evening homegroup as we already of several people who would like to attend. We would need a co-leader, so if you feel God is calling you, do let me know. If you want to join a homegroup, afternoon or evening, just let me know and we try to accommodate you. Derek

THIS WEEK'S POEM

This week Arthur reminds us that despite the present difficulties we are facing as the Government lurches from one crisis to another, we do have a wonderful future that is guaranteed.

WONDERFUL FUTURE

When we see the wonder all around,
In the very smallest creature
to the universe unbound.
When we see the sunset in the golden sky,
When we see the beautiful wings of the butterfly,
The joy of hearing a new-born baby cry.
There are so many wonders
that we see God's wonderful creation.
Some known and some unknown
beyond our imagination.
Yes, the wonder of this world
gives us much delight
Just imagine what heaven is like!

Arthur Magee

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS – This week we have two birthdays to celebrate. Marjorie Flynn birthday is on Friday (4th November) and Anaya Downing's birthday is on Saturday (5th). So, do wish them both 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.

TABLE TENNIS BEGINS ON TUESDAY - Under Love Aldwick we have started our table tennis group which meets weekly on Tuesday afternoons from 2-4pm. All are welcome, so why not invite your next-door neighbour to come along. It takes place in the hall at the rear of the church. For more information, please contact John Bell on 01243967385.

BAPTISMAL SERVICE – Good news, we are planning to hold a baptismal service early in the new year. Jesus commanded His disciples "to go and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." If you haven't been baptised as an adult, then do ask yourself, "Why not?" If you want to know more then please speak to Simon soon.

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THANK YOU 1– To the flower ministry team for the flowers. They are beautiful and cheered me up immensely on my return home from hospital. It was a very kind thought. As soon as I am more mobile, I will be back. Janet Cartwright.

THANK YOU 2 – Peter and Joyce report that they are making slow but steady progress and hope to be back with us soon. They would like to thank you all for your prayers.

SANDRA FIELD – Sandra is still struggling with pain and finds movement difficult. She is meeting a specialist on Wednesday and would like us to pray for an accurate diagnosis and a practical solution.

A SPECIAL PRAYER REQUEST - As many of you know my son David heads up the Andean Medical Mission. Right at this moment his team of ophthalmic surgeons are engaged in operating on Bolivians who are infected with diseases caused by the insects common to wet, jungle conditions. David's team has just been joined by his nephew Simon Howling, who is called by the Lord to a church youth program also in the jungle lowlands. For a short time, Simon is helping the international team as translator. Of the most recent success stories is a 5 year old blind boy who can now see again. Please pray for the patients being selected for operations a number of whom are believers. God does answer prayer. Brian Goldsmith.

MORE PRAYER POINTERS – Please continue to pray for Sandra Field, David Hanchard, Kay Tucker and Janet Cartwright, as she continues with her recovery. Simon also asks us not to forget Pam Brown who seems very confused at present as well as struggling with her memory. Please pray for peace in her mind. Please also pray for Keith Scott, Val Collett who would love to be with us in person. Pray too for others in the congregation who need prayer and for Diane, Simon's mum.

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