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

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Aldwick Baptist Church



Sunday 12th March 2023

Series: The Grandeur of God

Part IV; Love, Beauty and Grace

Psalm 27:4; John 1:14-18 & 1 John 4:7-12

Derek Robinson

TODAY'S MORNING SERVICE – This morning's service will be led by Clive's band as we continue with our series, 'The Grandeur of God'. Today we reach part IV as we focus on God's love, beauty and grace. This is based on three passages of scripture from Psalm 27:4 (beauty), John 1:14-18 (grace) and 1 John 4:7-12 (love). I will be asking you to specifically reflect on 1 John 4:12.

> "***No one has ever seen God, but if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is made complete in us***".

This is one of the most significant verses of scripture for this church and any other church that needs to understand its purpose in God's plan for the world.

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

Next week we will be returning to our series, "Walking with God" when Reverend David Howling will be bringing God's word to us based on Deuteronomy 6:1-9. In case you have forgotten, next Sunday is Mothering Sunday!

TODAY'S FLOWERS – The flowers today have been donated by Davina and Alan Rumsby to celebrate their 63rd Wedding Anniversary! Our congratulations and love on such an auspicious occasion.

AN UPDATE ON SIMON – As most of you know, Simon is at home recovering from his recent operation. He now needs to rest in peace and quiet, so please do not try to contact him or put him or his family under any pressure. It is extremely unlikely that Simon will be able to return before Easterbut he does report that the pain is decreasing and the movement in his foot is increasing. He is also concerned that he is currently unable to carry out the duties his calling demands. We have reassured him that we all understand and will be supporting him all the way. Please pray too that Simon can experience God's peace as he goes through this difficult time of enforced inactivity from the day-to-day activities at the church. Please all pray for Nicky, Emily and Anaya as they need God's strength and our support at this very difficult time.

ON THE MOVE – Robin and Sharon Sampson have moved! Their new address is 1 Elizabeth Avenue, Rose Green, Bognor Regis. PO21 3EL. Rob and Sharon say are welcome to pop in, but it might be a bit dusty as we will be doing some renovations.

TABLE TENNIS IS BACK – Our love Aldwick table tennis group is back in action on Tuesday from 2- 4 pm and then every Tuesday thereafter. Everyone is welcome and still only a £2.00 charge to include light refreshments, this is another way of keeping warm and fit as well as catching up with friends. For further information please call John Bell on 01243967385.

This week Arthur reminds us that as we are "only human", we will continually make mistakes and go the wrong way but we have the reassuring knowledge that God will always be there.

'We are only human'

Jesus didn't say it would be easy,
But you know he's by your side.
He didn't say you will always find the way,
But you know he'll be your guide.
There will be times when you feel in despair,
But you know, in the end, he'll always be there.
We have free will to choose the path we take,
And many times we will make mistakes.
'We are only human'.
Our flesh is weak, but He is our shepherd,
And we are His sheep.
Yes, He didn't say would be easy.
So many times, we will slip and fall.
But oh what love
That he died to save us all.

Arthur Magee

LAUNCHING CAP – There is a CAP Launch day planned for Sunday 26th March at 3.30 pm to be held at St Wilfrids, Ellasdale Road – just off Victoria Drive to which all churches are invited so as to understand a little more about CAP, to commission those who have agreed to provide the services and enjoy refreshments together. We would love to see you there and so, if you can come please let Clive know by email or phone, before next Sunday, so that we can cater accordingly.

LET'S CELEBRATE - On Monday 20th March at 7:30pm at Shore Community, Victoria Drive, there will be a Bognor Churches Together celebration. It is an opportunity to worship and pray together, to get fellowship across the churches, and also to do a little bit of BCT Forum business. Why not join us? Barbara.

BIRTHDAY LISTS – This week we have one birthday as it is Mick Parker's birthday on Saturday (18th). Do wish him a "Happy Birthday" when you see him next. 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.

FIRST RESPONDER - As Simon is currently having to curtail his movement and, following his operation, he still needs to rest, I will be acting as first responder for the time being. Please contact me if you have any prayer requests or need of care. Derek

BRIAN AND JACKIE CHIVERS – We have recently received Brian and Jackie's latest news letter. If you would like to follow their adventures in Chard then go to www.bmsworldmission.org/bjchilvers. There is a copy of their latest news sheet on the noticeboard.

DIANE DOWNING – Diane, Simon's mother continues to have major health concerns and struggles with her hearing in crowded spaces. She has had a steroid injection in her elbow and that has helped with that problem. Please pray for healing and peace of mind.

PRAYER POINTERS – Please continue to pray for David Hanchard, Angela Halfacree, Marion Bryant, Kay Tucker, Emily Brown, Sandra Field, Jon Crane, Mary Bullock, Mavis Eede, Katrina Gould. Please also pray for Keith Scott, Val Collett and Pam Brown. Pray too for others in the congregation who are in need prayer.

PRAYER PARTNERS – you have might have heard about this before. You might even already be a "Prayer Partner". Prayer partners are people who are committed to praying with each other and for each other on a regular basis. Would you like to know more? Then contact Joy Smith by email or phone.

RESPONDING TO PRAYER REQUESTS - Dear friends, there are many prayer requests by your brothers and sisters in the prayer room, please go in and pray over them. There are also many aids to prayer you may like to use. With love in Christ. Angela

THIS YEAR'S MOTTO CARD – "For the Spirit God gave us does not make us timid, but gives us power, love and self-discipline. 2 Timothy 1:7.

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