KING CHARLES III - Do pray for our new King, now officially enthroned after yesterday's ceremony. Pray for wisdom, peace of mind and His own Christian walk. Pray too for wisdom for our government as we all continue to struggle with rising prices and the current round of strikes in our essential services. Whatever your personal thoughts on the monarchy and the government we are told in 1 Timothy 2:1-3 to pray for our leaders. *[1] I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people— [2] for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. [3]This is good, and pleases God our Savior…"* -1 Timothy 2:1-3

CHRISTIANS AGAINST POVERTY (CAP) PRAYER SUPPORT - Please could we invite people to pray for the CAP programme starting on in the Bognor Regis area. In particular, please pray for the Life Skills Course which is being run from ABC, and the team that is running it from our church family. We can pray together or individually in our own homes, that's absolutely fine. Please let me know if you would prefer to pray with Margaret and I as a prayer group and we can arrange this. With grateful thanks, Lucienne.

PRAYER POINTERS – Please continue to pray for Keith Scott, Brian Calvert, Pam Ryan, Diane Downing, David Hanchard, Marion Bryant, Kay Tucker, Sandra Field, Jon Crane, Mary Bullock, Mavis Eede, Katrina Gould. Please also pray for Val Collett and Pam Brown. Pray too for others who are in need of 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.

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ABC NEWS



Sunday 7th May 2023

A family worship service

Title: Elijah on the Mountain

1 Kings 18:16-46 & 19:1-9

Simon Downing

TODAY'S FAMILY SERVICE – In today's family service Clive's band will be leading the worship whilst Simon will be reminding us of the confrontation between Elijah and the 450 hundred prophets of Baal on Mount Carmel. This dramatic service is centred on one of the greatest miracles witnessed in the Old Testament that, even by today's standards, is truly amazing. This service will contain a broad range of different elements suitable for all ages so 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 at any time by going to: **http://www.aldwickbaptist.co.uk/category/current-sermons.**

NEXT WEEK A REVIVAL? - Next week Simon feels led to talk to us about Christian revival. Whilst not knowing what Simon is going to say, I can say that Christian revival generally refers to a spiritual reawakening from a state of dormancy or stagnation in the life of believers. It encompasses the resurfacing of a love for God, an appreciation of God's holiness, a passion for His Word and His church, a convicting awareness of personal and corporate sin, a spirit of humility, and a desire for repentance and growth in righteousness. Revival invigorates and sometimes deepens a believer's faith, opening his or her eyes to the truth in a fresh, new way. Don't miss this!

REVIVAL - If you want to hear something inspiring then do listen to Robin Mark singing "Revival" by clicking here. (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UgukTjyCMX8&ab_channel=worship4christ2012).

COMING SOON - A service of thanksgiving. A chance for you to share some of what God has been doing in your life recently. A chance for us all to celebrate God's goodness to us. Simon will be happy to read it out for you or you can come to the front and share your story. It does need to be short so that we can include as many people as possible. Speak to me if you need any guidance.

CHURCHSUITE – As you probably know we now keep our membership lists on Churchsuite. If you haven't already done so, please contact Clive so that your information can be added to our lists. If you can access Churchsuite, then do check and amend your details including adding a photo if possible. A photo really helps people to find you!

THE PRAYER ROOM - Dear friends. The prayer room is being used each Sunday before the service to offer prayer support for the preacher, for those involved in the worship and those attending the service, and more. Prayer commences at about 10 am and you are welcome to join us. Prayer is such a gift to us from the Father. Bless you all. Angela.

This week Arthur's poem reminds us that the greatest gift ever given was the love of Jesus shown on the cross when He died for you and me.

The Love of Jesus

The greatest gifts that we see,
Are the gifts that are free.
The sunrise of a new day,
The joy of a child at play.
The wonder of the stars at night.
Yes, God's creation gives us so much delight.
People crave for wealth and fame,
But in the end it's all the same.
They can gain the whole world,
But what is the cost?
Just like the sheep who is lonely and lost.
Why put your trust in things that are only temporary –
Which one day will cease to be?
Put your trust in things of eternity,
Faith, hope and Joy.
But most of all the love of Jesus
Who died for you and me

Arthur Magee

PEACE TOGETHER PUZZLERS - We will be meeting again on 13th May where there will also an opportunity to play games and solve puzzles. Do join us!

LUCIENNE AND BERNARD'S WEDDING SERVICE INVITE - Bernard and Lucienne are getting married on the 27th May 2023, the service starts at 11.30 am. All are very welcome to celebrate with us at the service, there will be refreshments afterwards (tea/coffee/cake/biscuits). We would also like a large group photo, so please gather in the car park when the word goes around. Love and Blessings, Lucienne and Bernard.

BIRTHDAY LISTS – This week we have three birthdays to celebrate. It's Sheila Sargent's on Friday (12th), followed by Joy Smith and Brianna Wood on Saturday (13th), so do wish them 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 me. If you want details of the BMS birthday scheme, then please contact Brenda.