... and finally

Prayer Board

Please do pray for our 5 baptismal candidates: Anaya, Anaiah, Hazel, Ian and Richard as they begin to plan their testimonies. Do also pray for anyone else who is thinking about baptism.

Please pray for Marie who had a fall whilst have a spring break in Bournemouth. The doctors decided that Marie should stay in hospital for a couple of days whilst they assess her condition. Pray for pain relief, peace of mind and healing.
STOP PRESS - Marie is now back at home but slightly battered!

Please pray for Jon Crane who taken into hospital on Thursday with breathing difficulties. Pray too for Michelle who continues to struggle with her occassional colitis flare ups and recurring mental health issues. Pray for healing and peace of mind.

Please pray too for Ian Surrell for is always smiling despite his ongoing health issues. Please pray too for wisdom in how the Wheel of Hope uses their resourcse to help those in need.

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ABC NEWS

Aldwick Baptist Church



**The crowd shouted, "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!"
But just a few days later they shouted, "Crucify him."**

Sunday 13h April 2025
Holy Week
Palm Sunday - Recognition
Reading: John 12:1-3 & 12
Simon Downing

TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE – Brenda's band will be leading worship as Simon brings God's word to us with the interesting title, 'Palm Sunday – Recognition!' based on John 12:1-3, 12-16. Just as John asked us last week, Simon's words issue the same challenge to us individually – 'Do you know Him?' Not do you know about Him, but do you know Him as your personal Saviour? 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: https://www.aldwickbaptist.co.uk/category/current-sermons.

NEXT WEEKEND'S WORSHIP SERVICE 20th APRIL 2025 – RESURRECTION DAY. Simon's band will be leading worship, but the band will have an unfamiliar look about it as he is joined by some guests from London. The service will also include 5 baptisms as Anaya, Anaiah, Hazel, Ian and Richard step into the waters of baptism—testifying to God's grace, dying to the old, and rising with Christ into new life. This promises to be a great day in their lives but also in our lives as we stand together in faith, encouraged by their bold witness and reminded of our own journey with Jesus

EASTER WEEK – Key service dates here at ABC

Sunday, 13th April – Palm Sunday morning service 10.30am

Thursday 17th April – Maundy Thursday devotional communion service 7.00pm

Friday 18th April – Good Friday service 10.30am

Sunday 20th April – Easter Sunday baptismal service 10.30am

CHURCHES TOGETHER – MARCH OF WITNESS – Friday, 18th April starting at the Bognor Baptist Church and concluding with worship and refreshments at our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church.

BOGNOR METHODIST CHURCH CENTENARY - MONDAY 21 APRIL 2025 – Bank Holiday Monday - A specially-commissioned drama starting in the Sunken Gardens at 10.30am, opposite the Church, and then moving into the church itself off Waterloo Square. The play is written by David Robinson and is about the Emmaus Road Story.

TODAY'S FLOWERS – My dad passed away on 11th April 2009 and mum on 13th April 2021 (both around Easter time) and so the flowers this Sunday are to remember their lives and the fact they are now in the presence of Jesus. Clive.

MARY BULLOCK – Mary's cremation will be held at Chichester Crematorium at 9.30am on Wednesday, 23rd April. This will be followed by a celebration of Mary's life here at ABC beginning at 10.30am. lf any of you got memories of Mary Bullock that could be included in her please let me know. Derek.

DON'T FORGET – Our next church meeting is on 24th April at 7.00pm.

This week Arthur has decided to step down from his role as our resident poet. To show our appreciation we have written a poem in his honour.

Thank You, Arthur

With pen in hand and heart aglow,
You helped us see God's grace below—
In sunlit fields, in stormy skies,
In whispered prayers and lullabies.

You wrote of faith with gentle might,
And found in dawn's soft hues His light.
Through every verse, both strong and still,
You shaped our hearts, aligned our will.

So now, dear friend, your pen may rest,
But know your words have deeply blessed.
We thank you for the truth you've shown—
God's beauty, through your lines, made known.

Anon

While we wait to see if anyone can pick up Arthur's mantle as our resident poem, we have written this poem to inspire you as we begin Holy week.

The road back home

The road was rough, the crowd was loud,
They laid down cloaks, they waved the shroud.
With palms they praised the coming King,
Not knowing yet what He would bring.

"Hosanna!" rang through streets of stone,
But He would face the cross alone.
Not for a throne of gold He came,
But thorns, and tears, and sin, and shame.

Yet in that ride, a truth was clear—
The Saviour's love drew ever near.
The crowd may change, but Christ stands true—
He rode that road… for me, for you.

Anon