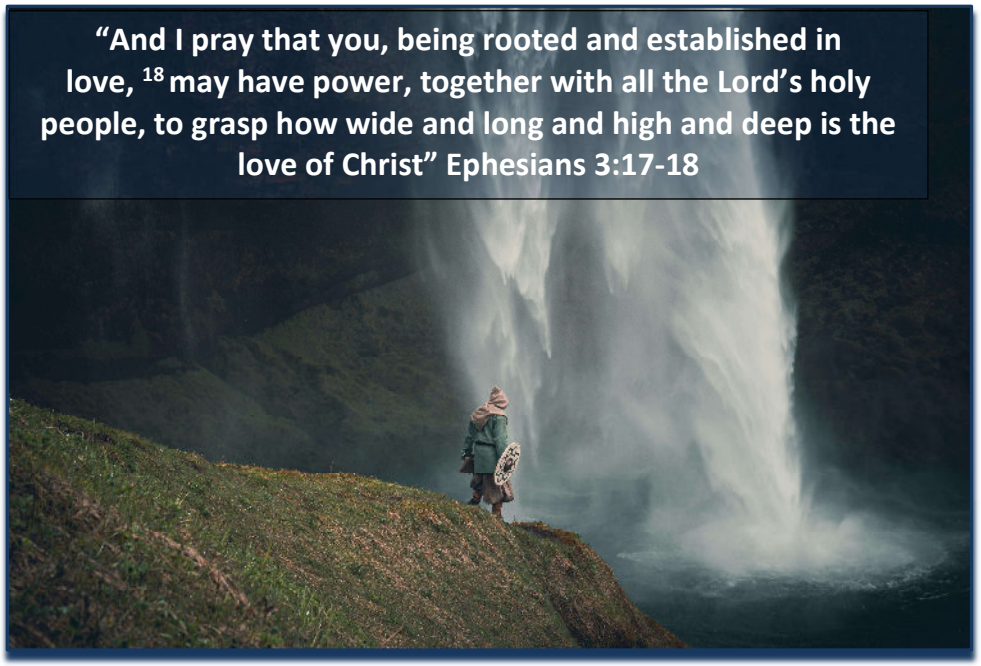
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Vision: Loving God, Loving Each Other, Loving Lost People

ABC NEWS

Aldwick Baptist Church



Sunday 27th July 2025

Series: Glimpsing God's Vision for the Church

'Strength in Christ'

Reading: Ephesians 3:14-21

Simon Downing

TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE – Clive's band will be leading worship as Simon concludes our series, 'Glimpsing God's vision for the Church' with part 6 entitled 'Strength in Christ' based on Ephesians 3:1-13. I hope you have found this series helpful as it is highly relevant to us today if we are serious about being the church, Jesus wants us to be. 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: https://www.aldwickbaptist.co.uk/category/current-sermons.

NEXT WEEKEND'S WORSHIP SERVICE 3rd August 2025 – – Simon's band will be leading worship ay our monthly family service as John returns with one of his epic dramas which we hope will challenge you and make you smile. This service is based on Jesus' words when He said, 'I am the way, the truth and the life. It will be preceded by Breakfast Time which is open to all ages from 9.30am. Breakfast time is a place to encourage Christians and non-Christians alike, to share in some food together, before the family services begin. It is about using the gifts of relationships, hospitality, generosity, and kindness to make people feel valued. It is about helping people feel that they 'belong.' As relationships develop, the sharing of one's faith may also emerge in time. Don't miss this opportunity.

ALPHA COURSE – WE NEED YOUR HELP

Our Alpha Course begins on Monday 1st September 2025, and we already have several guests signed up but there is room for more. For this to be a blessing, it is really important that the church membership gets behind this programme and here are some of the ways you can help.

1. Advertise the course to your family and friends and within your Love Aldwick activity groups. People can't just turn up for this but need to book as there are teaching and catering materials to obtain and it is a registered course with Alpha which is also widely advertised by the organisation.

2. Can you help with any of the following?

- Setting up and tidying up the room each week
- Providing desserts/cheese & biscuits/tea/coffee (via Jean Shaw)
- Being willing to organise a prayer meeting each week (running in parallel with the Course ideally at ABC. (we have found this to be absolutely critical to the outcomes)
- Being willing to pray at the church each Monday for Alpha

3. Please let me know (by email or phone please) if you can help with any of the above and, if you are unable to help, please would you pray individually for those leading and attending the course from September through to November. Clive.

"The Lord has done great things for us, and we are filled with joy."
—Psalm 126:3 (NIV)

Ties That Time Can't Break

We laughed beneath the summer skies,
With open hearts and wide young eyes.
Those simpler days, those stories told—
Still linger though the years grow old.
For friendship sown in younger years
Still blossoms through both joy and tears.

We walk now through this present day,
Where threads of grace still guide our way.
In coffee shared and silent prayer,
In burdens borne and love laid bare—
God knits our lives with gentle hand,
Together still, as He has planned.

And though the road ahead's unknown,
We do not face it all alone.
For Christ, our Shepherd and our Friend,
Will lead us safely to the end.
His love, unchanging, holds us fast—
Our future brighter than our past.

In every smile, in every scar,
He shows us just how loved we are.
We are His people—called by name,
Forever part of Heaven's frame.
Through every season, come what may,
God's family walks the narrow way.

So let us cherish all we've shared,
The times we've laughed, the times we've cared.
For friendship deep, and love so wide,
Will last with Christ at our side.
And in His joy, we'll stand restored—
Together always with the Lord.

TAB (The Aldwick bard)

Prayer Wall ... and finally

Please give thanks to the Lord for the appointment of John Bell as a new deacon and trustee. Pray for wisdom and clarity of thought as he joins the team. Please pray too for Simon, Clive, John, Joy, Brenda and Derek as they seek God's guidance and direction for our church and His family here at ABC.

Please do thank the Lord that Matt Wood has shown signs of recovery and has even started to drive again.But do continue to pray for further healing Please pray too for Cilla, Tony, Alexander and Briana. Please pray for strength and peace of mind for them all.

Please continue to pray for Polly as she undertakes a new round of treatment. Please pray that this new treatment will be effective and Polly will experience healing, renewed strength, and restored health. Pray too for strength and peace for Clive and the family

Please pray for Peter Kaufman who has been admitted to St. Richards with breathinmg difficulties. Pray for a correct diagnosis, appropriate treatment and healing. Pray too for Joyce and the family.

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