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

ABC NEWS

Aldwick Baptist Church



"I am so sorry, but I've made a mistake."

Sunday 8th February 2026

Series: The Magnificence of the Messiah

Part 1V – Messiah – authority to forgive!

Mark 2:1-12

Simon Downing

TODAY'S FAMILY WORSHIP SERVICE– Brenda's band will be leading worship before Simon returns to our series 'The Magnificence of the Messiah! As we reach part 4. His talk is entitled, 'Messiah – Authority to forgive.' In this talk we will explore one of the most powerful truths in all of Scripture: **Jesus not only heals — He forgives.**
Come and discover the grace that goes deeper than guilt, and the love that lifts every burden. The Messiah has authority to restore what we thought was lost.

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 – 15th February 2026. Do join us for as Clive and his band lead us in inspiring worship before I continue our series 'The Magnificence of the Messiah – Part V'. In my talk we will see Jesus challenge expectations and religious rules as He declares Himself **Lord of the Sabbath**. What does true rest really mean — and why does it matter so much to Jesus? Come and discover the freedom, compassion, and authority of the Messiah who puts people before rules and restores life where it has been constrained. Don't miss this.

COMING SOON – Curious about Jesus? Christianity Explored is a relaxed way to discover who He is and why He matters. Book your place now!

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Christianity EXPLORED

A brand new 9-week course, which explores what Christians believe and why!

Starting the week beginning March 9th 2026
- details to follow -

Please call Simon if you are interested 07411 919 928

This week's poem

We all know the sinking feeling when things go wrong — a careless moment, a forgotten promise, a mistake we wish we could undo. The poem below reminds us that while life is full of mishaps, God's grace is greater still, and His forgiveness is always within reach.

When Things Go Wrong

We knock the vase, it hits the floor,
A shattered sound — regret once more.
"I didn't mean it," words we say,
Hoping love will smooth the way.

A bump, a scrape, the car's not right,
Insurance forms and sleepless night.
Mistakes are made, tempers flare —
We long for mercy in the air.

We miss the date, forget the call,
An anniversary — worst of all.
A look, a sigh, a heavy pause,
We feel the weight of careless cause.

An appointment slips, a promise too,
Life moves fast — we try, we do.
And yet our failures stack and stay,
Unless forgiveness clears the way.

And this is where God meets our need —
Not with blame, but grace indeed.
For every fault, both great and small,
Christ speaks forgiveness — over all.

No mess too deep, no wrong too far,
No heart beyond just who you are.
When things go wrong — as they still will —
His mercy meets us, patient, still..

TAB (The Aldwick bard)

FOODBANK - We are very grateful to all those who donate items for the Bognor Foodbank. Current urgently needed items are: Tinned meats, Tinned fruit, Tinned tomatoes, Tinned vegetables, UHT semi skimmed milk. Please place them in the donation point on the left-hand side of the church foyer. Thank you very much.

A MESSAGE FROM RIO - Thank you so much for making me so welcome but my placement comes to an end next Sunday. So if you have not returned your questionnaire – can you do it NOW. I will miss you all!

... and finally
Notices and Prayer Wall

ADVANCED NOTICE - 28th February Prayer Day – 9.00am to 6.00pm. Periodically we deveote a day to covering the church with prayer. Joy has the master list and the idea is to "sign up" for an hour or so and cover the whole day. Be inspired by this verse: " Devote yourselves to prayer with an alert mind and a thankful heart" Col 4:2 NLT

PRAYER REQUEST 1 – Please pray for John Cowley who is in a lot of pain with his sciatic. Please pray for pain relief and healing.

PRAYER REQUEST 2 – Please pray for Margaret Beckett. Her hip replacement is fine, but her leg is very swollen. The doctor thinks I may have another blood clot; awaiting hospital appointment.

PRAYER REQUEST 3 - Please pray for Jon and Michelle who are both unwell and need our prayers.

PRAYER RERQUEST 4 – Please pray for Arthur as he is still struggling after his recent car crash.

PRAYER REQUEST 5 – Please pray for Patricia MacDonald who is one of coffee morning regulars and for Eileen Miller who is still in hospital.

Pray too for Simon and the family as they take a well earned break over half term.

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