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

ABC NEWS

Aldwick Baptist Church



"'Why do you look for the living among the dead? [6] He is not here; he has risen! " (Luke 24:5-6)

Sunday 5th April 2026

Series: Easter 2026

Resurrection day

Ephesians 1:19-21 and Colossians 2:15

Simon Downing

TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE – **Easter Sunday**. This is the day that changes everything. Do join us as we celebrate **Resurrection Day**, when Jesus rose from the dead and opened the way to new life. Simon's band will lead our worship, followed by his message from Ephesians 1:19-21 and Colossians 2:15. This is a service not to miss—and a great opportunity to invite family and friends.

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

SORRY - NO BREAKFAST TIME TODAY – But the good news is that it will return on Sunday 3rd May at 9.30am.

NEXT SUNDAY'S SERVICE – 12th April. Simon's band will be leading our worship, as we return to our series 'The Magnificence of the Messiah – Part 10'. I will be preaching on Mark 7:14-23 where Jesus has some very challenging words for us all today. The title of my talk is – 'Messiah – Lifestyle'. Derek

FUNERAL DETAILS FOR APRIL -

PAM BROWN – Tuesday 1.30pm 7th April Chichester crematorium – Clive leading.

VALERIE STRICKLAND – Wednesday 12.30mm 15th April Chichester Crematorium followed by a thanksgiving service at 2.30pm ABC – Simon leading.

ANGELA HALFACREE – Wednesday 22nd April – 11. 30am (family only) Arun Crematorium followed by a service of thanksgiving at approx. 1.00 pm (all welcome) – Simon leading.

ANDRE GAUDOIN – Wednesday 29th April thanksgiving service at ABC at 11.30am

WORSHIP TEAM MEETING – 16th April 7pm. Please try to prioritise this, especially the musicians and singers. This is a very important meeting about the future of our worship.

ADVANCE NOTICE - CHURCH FAMILY MEETING - April 23rd, at 19.00pm. Please do make every effort to join us as we seek God's will for direction of our church. All are welcome.

THINKING ABOUT BAPTISM – We're holding a baptismal service on 10th May — a joyful celebration of lives made new in Christ! If you're a believer and haven't yet been baptised, why not take time to pray and ask: "Is now the moment to take this step?" Baptism is a beautiful declaration of faith — a public "yes" to Jesus, and a powerful picture of new life. We have even bought some new handrails to ensure your safety. If you'd like to explore this further, we'd love to chat with you. Simon and Derek.

This week's poem

As we celebrate Easter, we rejoice in the living hope we have through the resurrection of Jesus Christ. As 1 Peter 1:3 reminds us, *"He has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead."* The poem below reflects on the joy and hope of Easter morning.

The Joy of Easter

The dawn breaks soft on Easter morn,
A world renewed, a hope reborn.
The stone rolled back, the grave set free,
And life has won the victory.

The birdsong lifts the quiet air,
New life and promise everywhere.
The cross once stood in shadowed gloom,
Now light pours forth from empty tomb.

No longer bound by fear or night,
Christ rises in triumphant light.
The tears of Friday fade away,
Replaced by joy this Easter Day.

Hope lives again, hearts lift and sing,
For death has lost its bitter sting.
And in this joy we all may share —
New life, new hope, new grace, new prayer.

TAB (The Aldwick bard)

URGENT CALL – Are you looking for a homegroup? Then speak to me today. We will shortly be starting two new homegroups as the current groups are bursting at the seams. So, if you are not a member of a homegroup as yet - then this would be a good time to join. Derek

FOODBANK - We are very grateful to all those who donate items for the Bognor Foodbank. Current urgently needed items are: Tinned rice puddings, Tinned fruit, Biscuits and UHT Milk (green). Please place them in the donation point on the left-hand side of the church foyer

MUSICALLY SPEAKING - WE NEED YOU - We're looking to grow and strengthen the worship life of our church.
So, if you play an instrument, we'd love to hear from you.
This is simply an initial conversation—no pressure, no expectations—just an opportunity to explore how your gift might be used.
Please speak to Simon.

PRAYER CORNER

MONTHLY PRAYER MEETING – Tuesday 7th April at 7pm. Do try to join us.

Are you in need of prayer? Then contact one of the leadership team or email contact@aldwickbaptist.co.uk for your prayer needs to be circulated.

PRAYER NEEDS

Please pray for Frank, who is still experiencing significant discomfort and ongoing health difficulties. Please pray for healing, relief from pain, and a deep sense of peace.

Please pray for Arthur who continues to struggle. Please pray for a definitive diagnosis, healing and for peace of mind.

Please pray for Michelle as she is struggling with her atrial fibrillation (Afib) & colitis. Please also pray for Michelle's nephew Adam who is living in Tel Aviv with his family. Pray too for all the people in the Middle East for an end to the wars in the Ukraine and Iran.

Please pray for Biddy Joyce's twin sister Judy who is having serious health problems at present.

Please pray for Daphne as she is struggling at present.

Please pray for Pauline Hatcher who is continuing to suffer with her depression. Please for healing and peace of mind.

Please remember the family of Angela Halfacree in your prayers as they mourn her passing.

Please also hold Heather and Philip Gaudoin in prayer as they come to terms with the loss of their brother Andre.

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