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

ABC NEWS

Aldwick Baptist Church



[5] When Jesus reached the spot, he looked up and said to him,
"Zacchaeus, come down immediately. I must stay at your house
today." [6]So he came down at once and welcomed him gladly.

Sunday 28th June 2026

Series: Preparing for Revival

Part IV Confidence in the gospel

Luke 19: 1 - 10

David Howling

SUNDAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE – 28th June. Simon's band will be leading us in worship as David Howling returns to continue our series, 'Preparing for revival'. Part 4, " Zacchaeus – confidence in the gospel ", is based on Luke 19:1–10. What happens when a wealthy, unpopular man climbs a tree just to catch a glimpse of Jesus? More importantly, what happens when Jesus notices him? Come and discover how one unexpected encounter became a life-changing moment.

We would love you to join us in person as we worship, pray, and seek God together. If you are unable to attend, the service will be available online at:

https://www.aldwickbaptist.co.uk/category/current-sermons

NEXT SUNDAY'S FAMILY SERVICE – 5th July. Simon's new band will be leading us in worship whilst John and his merry band will no doubt be challenging us with drama and thoughtful words.

BREAKFAST TIME – 9:30AM (All Ages Welcome) - Before the service, we invite you to Breakfast Time, open to everyone! This is a relaxed and welcoming space to share food, friendship, and conversation. It's a place to build relationships, show hospitality, and extend kindness and generosity - helping everyone feel valued and that they truly belong. Don't miss this chance to connect, celebrate, and worship together!

A BIG QUESTION? Would you like your giving to go 25% further?

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REVIVAL PRAYER MEETINGS – Revival cannot be organised, but it can be prayed for. So don't miss out. Do join us for the third of **five Revival Prayer Meetings from 5.00pm–6.00pm on Thursday**. Let us come together to ask God to renew His Church, revive our hearts, and draw many people to Christ.

URGENT CALL – Our AGM is getting near (July 23rd, 7.00pm). We need your nominations for new deacons to be submitted by the end of this month. If you know of anyone who you think could help in this vital church ministry, then pick up a form from the back of the church and fill it in. Give the completed phone to Clive.

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

This week's poem

From our very first steps to life's biggest decisions, confidence grows as we learn whom we can trust. The gospel invites us to place our greatest confidence, not in ourselves, but in the One who never fails.

Confidence

toddler lets go of a mother's hand,
And takes one step... then two.
With wobbly legs and trembling feet,
Confidence slowly grew.

A nine-year-old climbs on a bike,
Determined not to fall.
A scraped-up knee, a helping hand—
Then freedom comes to call.

A teenager stands before a crowd,
With shaking voice and heart.
Yet finds the courage, word by word,
To make a hopeful start.

Two people pledge a life-long love,
Not knowing what will be;
Yet trust is stronger than their fears,
As one becomes "we".

We start a job... we move away...
We face another day...
We dare because we hope there's One
Who gently leads the way.

Then comes the greatest step of all:
To trust what Christ has done;
To place our life into His hands,
And follow God's own Son.

For confidence is not self-belief,
Or never feeling fear;
It's knowing Jesus walks beside
And whispers, "I am here."

So when He calls us, "Come with Me,"
Though we can't see the end,
We step by faith, not sight alone—
Our Saviour, Guide and Friend.

TAB (The Aldwick bard)

PRAYER CORNER

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 REQUESTS. Please pray for:

IAN SURRELL – Do thank the Lord that Ian was able to join us at last Sunday's service. Please continue to pray for Ian as remains unwell. Please pray for ongoing healing and peace of mind. Do thank the Lord that, despite his ongoing health issues, he remains cheerful

MARION COLLINS – Marion is now back at home. Do thank the Lord for this important step and continue to pray for continued healing and peace of mind.

ATHUR MAGEE – Arthur has an operation planned for Monday. Please pray that it goes ahead, that it is successful and that Arthur soon recovers.

VIVIENNE NEWMAN – Vivienne has been unwell for some time now. Do please pray for healing.

FRANK YORKSTON – 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.

CILLA AND TONY - Tony is in good spirits and has now been moved to Bognor Memorial hospital. Do also pray for ongoing healing for Cilla and do continue to pray for the family.

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