PRAYER CORNER

TUESDAY PRAYER MEETING – As we reflect this Sunday on the Good Shepherd who leads and cares for His people, why not join us on Tuesday, 4th August, at 7.00 pm for our monthly prayer meeting? Together we'll bring our praises, our concerns and our hopes before the One who faithfully hears and answers prayer.

PRAYER REQUESTS. If you are in need of prayer, then email contact@aldwickbaptist.co.uk

THE DOWNING FAMILY – Please for the Simon, Nicky and the girls as they take a well-deserved holiday. Simon will be back with on Sunday 16th August. For prayer requests or urgent need, please contact your pastoral circle lead or me.

GILL AND TREVOR GUY HAVE SENT US THIS PRAYER REQUEST. We would be grateful for the continued prayer of the church family for our daughter in law Kay as she undergoes a long, intense course of chemotherapy.

MARION BRYANT – Simon visited Marion this week and reports she is poorly again. Please pray for healing and peace of mind**.**

MICHELLE CRANE – Simon also reports that Michelle remains unwell and is very weak. Please pay for healing, renewed strength and peace of mind.

PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY for Daphne Ashby who is in a lot of pain and for Perrie who has been but is now recovering. Pray to for healing and pain relief for Dorothy Ridley and Lou Freezer as they are both suffering with back problems.

RONNIE GAYLE HAS ASKED IF WE WOULD PRAY FOR ANGIE, his former wife, who has recently been diagnosed with an aggressive form of cancer. The doctors have said that there are no curative treatment options available. Please also pray for Angie and the whole family, that they may know God's comfort, strength and peace as they face the days ahead.

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ABC NEWS

Aldwick Baptist Church



[1]"The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want
[2]He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters,[3]he restores my soul.." (Psalm 23)

Sunday 2nd August 2026

Series: Psalm for the journey

The shepherd we all need

John Smith and Derek Robinson

SUNDAY'S FAMILY SERVICE – 2nd August. Next Sunday we begin a new five-week summer series entitled 'Psalms for the Journey', exploring some of the Bible's most loved and encouraging Psalms.
We start with the opening words of Psalm 23: 'The Lord is my Shepherd.' Brenda's band will lead our worship, while John and his team entertain us with a fun drama and interactive activities for all ages. Derek will explore why these familiar words have brought hope, comfort and confidence to millions of people throughout the centuries—and why they still have the power to transform our lives today.

Whether you're a regular member of our church or visiting us over the summer, we'd love to welcome you as we journey together through these timeless songs of faith. If you are unable to attend in person, the service will be available online at:

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

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!

SUNDAY'S SERVICE – 9th August. Next Sunday Keith Varney from MAF will be here to update us on MAF's as well as bringing God's word to us. The title of his talk is 'A highway for our God based on Isaiah 40:3-8 & 27-31. Clive's band will be leading worship. So do join us.

SUNDAY'S FLOWERS - We are urgently looking for folk from within our fellowship to donate towards the flowers you see in church every Sunday.

Some donate in memory of someone or to celebrate a birthday/ anniversary, or for no special reason!
The flowers don't just make the church look good each week but, after every service, are distributed to folk who are ill, housebound or just to say "thinking of you", and are always really appreciated by the recipient.

We have a dedicated small team of flower arrangers (can always do with more if anyone loves arranging flowers!!!), so all you have to do is donate and the arrangement will magically appear!

CRAFT CLUB will be closed throughout August and will reopen in early September.
CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE – There will be no Sunday school during August.

As we all know, life rarely unfolds along the path we expected. Yet those who trust the Good Shepherd discover that even the winding roads are held within His faithful care.

"My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me." John 10:27

The Quiet Path

There is a path we cannot see,
Beyond the turning of the day;
Yet step by step, through joy and tears,
God gently leads us on our way.

We long to know what lies ahead,
To glimpse tomorrow's hidden view;
But faith is learned by trusting Him,
Whose mercies every morn are new.

The hills are bright, the valleys deep,
The road is seldom smooth or straight;
Yet every bend, though wrapped in mist,
Still rests within His loving care.

He does not promise cloudless skies,
Or days untouched by pain or fear;
He simply says, "Walk on with Me,"
And whispers, "Child, I still am near."

So when the journey seems unsure,
And hope feels fragile, faint, or small,
Remember this: the Shepherd's hand
Has never once let go at all.

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 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**.**

DO YOU KNOW? Over 388 million Christians face high levels of persecution and discrimination – that's one in seven believers worldwide. We can stand with believers courageously following Jesus, no matter the cost. **Open Doors** supports Christians who face persecution because of their faith, providing practical aid, Bibles, training and advocacy, while encouraging the worldwide Church to pray for those who suffer for following Jesus. You can access their resources at https://www.opendoorsuk.org/.