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

ABC NEWS

Aldwick Baptist Church



Sunday 2nd October 2022

Harvest 2022

"Seed, water, grow"

1 Corinthians 3:6

Simon Downing

TODAY'S SERVICE – This weekend, we will be celebrating harvest at our monthly family worship service. The service is built around 1 Corinthians 3:6 where the Apostle Paul says, 'I planted the seed. Apollos watered it, but God made it grow.' As you will see the service plan follows this pattern of planting the seed, watering the ground and seeing the seed miraculously growing into fruition. It is certainly a reminder that the words we share with our friends and relatives are the seed and that someone else may provide the 'water' but in the final analysis God makes faith grow.

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 this service from 10.30am by going to: http://www.aldwickbaptist.co.uk/category/current-sermons

SASRA, TEA AND CAKE. - 4.15pm Sunday Oct 2nd - David Malam from SASRA will be travelling to visit us to talk about SASRA's chaplaincy work in the armed forces. This should be particularly interesting now after the amazing Christian witness from the Queen's funeral. I shall be looking forward to hearing what he has to say, as well as to the light refreshments at 4.15pm! I hope that as many as possible will support this visit to ABC. Barbara.

PEACE TOGETHER PUZZLES – We will be meeting again on Saturday 8th October from 10am - 12 noon. If you enjoy jigsaw puzzles, why not come along and have a coffee and a chat and do a puzzle. Alternatively come and borrow a puzzle for the month to do at home. Claire.

FIRE SERVICE SAFE AND WELL VISIT – With Ben Applin's new role, he goes out to the elderly and vulnerable in the community and conducts a safe and well visit with the prevention side of the fire service. This consists of replacing fire alarms for free and looking at safety within people's homes alongside them. He also looks at reducing the risk of falls which for many of out over 65's may be a good thing to pass on! It's a great free service, Ben was wondering, before the winter months, if now was a good time to offer this free service. them?

The website is here, you can ask for a visit on behalf of someone else even: Safe and Well Visit - West Sussex County Council or you can give Jean and Donna in our office a call using this number 0345 8729 719 to book in. Derek.

TABLE TENNIS - Under the banner of LOVE ALDWICK we are planning a table tennis group to start weekly from Tuesday 25th October at 2pm-4pm all ages and abilities welcome.
However we need to know who would be very interested in coming, a£2.00 subscription is chargeable to cover equipment and light refreshments.
Please contact A.S.A.P. either,Clive Bennet secretary@aldwickbaptist.co.uk. Tel 01243930765 or John Bell. Jozel.bell@btinternet.com. Tel 01243967385

THIS WEEK'S POEM

This week Arthur reminds us, that despite all the financial insecurity in modern living, if we stop and look, we can see that we do live in a 'wonderful world'.

What a wonderful world

I see God's face
in a beautiful day.
I say His joy
in a child at play.

I see His wonder
in the stars at night.
I see His freedom
in the birds in flight.

I see His love
in a mother's eyes.
I see His glory
in the golden sunrise.

I see His beauty
in the kingfisher wings.
I feel His peace
when the blackbird sings.

Oh, what joy it brings
when I see all these things
Yes, I see my God
in all creation.
His mighty power
beyond imagination
Amen

Arthur Magee

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS – We two birthdays to celebrate this week. So here we go! It's Pam McLaren on On Tuesday (4th) and Pam Ryan's birthday on Wednesday (5th). So do remember to wish them both a **BIG HAPPY BIRTHDAY or even send a card.**

If you want to be included in our birthday list, and receive a celebratory slot in the news sheet, please contact Lynne Allard (265360). If you want details of the BMS birthday scheme, then please contact Brenda.

… and finally

ABC IN THE NEWS – If you would like to read the Autumn edition of "Baptists Together" magazine then use this link. Amongst other interesting articles, it contains an article about ABC. It is well worth a look.

SOUTHBOURNE FREE CHURCH – As you know Brian Goldsmith, David Howling and I all preach at this small church on occasions and we often ask you to pray for them. Well, they now have a new part-time minister, Paul Cox, and he would like to thank you for your prayers and asks you to continue to pray for growth as he begins to "knock on doors". Derek

NEW GAS METER – An engineer will be fitting a new gas meter here on Tuesday 11th October between 1.00 - 4.00pm. Hopefully this will not cause any inconvenience to any of you. John Smith

TOUGH SUBJECTS - As many of you will have heard last Sunday, we will be a doing a series on 'tough subjects' or 'tough questions' that Christians have to believe in, deal with, or manage, somehow, within their faith. The first three topics are shown below.

October 9th - Tough subjects I: suffering and the love of God. The main text will be John 3v16, but there will be others too.

October 16th - Tough subjects II: making sense of the Old Testament God – the main text will be Deuteronomy 20v16-18.

October 23rd - Tough subjects III: what happens when we die? – the main text will be 1 Corinthians 15v54-55.

PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR – Pam Ryan who is currently at Homebeach Care Home and would welcome people taking her out for a breath of air in a wheelchair. Please pray too for Janet Cartwright, as she continues with her recovery. Pray too for others in the congregation who need prayer and for Diane, Simon's mum, who has had a very bad fall and is currently struggling with her health.

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