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Our monthly family service

Broad and narrow roads

Matthew 7:13-14

Simon Downing

TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE – This morning Simon's band will be leading worship as we meet for our monthly family service. Simon's message this month is based on Matthew 7:13-14 where Jesus tells us to

¹³ "Enter through the narrow gate. For wide is the gate and broad is the road that leads to destruction, and many enter through it. ¹⁴ But small is the gate and narrow the road that leads to life, and only a few find it."

Simon's talk is entitled "Broad and narrow roads."

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: <http://www.aldwickbaptist.co.uk/category/current-sermons>.

HOME MISSION FOCUS - Every month we receive a Home Mission Focus from Rev Paul Kerley. This will usually be in the form of a short video from one of our Home Mission supported churches / projects.

This month the SEBA Focus is on the SEBA Project – "Bread of Life", and it's a video from its minister, Rev John Western

The link for the video is on the SEBA Web Site

https://www.seba-baptist.org.uk/?show_media=310085&show_file=341919

And YouTube Link - <https://youtu.be/MF2ywNZMMkc>

AN INVITATION TO JOIN SASRA FOR 'OUR DAY' - Why not Join us for this year's 'Our Day' on Saturday 16 September from 2.00 pm to 5.30 pm to hear stories of what God is doing among the young people of the British Armed Forces.

ASRs Mike Blackstock, Steve Curley, Tiaan de Klerk, Gavin Dickson, Steven Dougherty, Josh Fortune, Chika Onugha and Lee Philipson, together with HQ staff, will be sharing about the work "behind the wire". The event takes place at High Cross Church, Camberley, GU15 3SY and includes a refreshment break.

Starting over - We do trust that you have enjoyed the summer break and wanted to remind you that many of our activities will be restarting this week.

- Toddler Time & Craft Club - 4th (Monday)
- Community Cafe - 5th (Tuesday)
- Luncheon Club - 6th (Wednesday)
- West Meads Coffee Time & Messy Church - 7th (Thursday)
- Peace Together Puzzlers - 9th (Saturday)
- Table Tennis - 12th (Tuesday week).

SAUSAGE AND SPUDS - Our Quarterly Harvest event for adults on Saturday 30th September and the rest of the family on 1st October. Please make sure you sign up for this as these supper evenings are usually oversubscribed and we have limited places.

This week's Poem

This week Arthur reminds us that, no matter how worried you are about the state of the world today, there are better times ahead.

"Joy in the morning"

When we see evil all around
When we are overwhelmed with grief and fear
Trust in the Lord
who is always near.

When we cannot understand
the sadness and the sorrow.
Remember his love is forever
not just for tomorrow.

He's an anchor in the raging sea.
He is our rock, our hope, our security.
Faith, hope but most of all love
are for eternity.

In the end, justice will prevail,
and when we see that new day dawning
We will praise the Lord
for the everlasting joy in the morning.

Arthur Magee

FIRST RESPONDER – As Simon is now back, he will be resuming his role as first responder for emergencies and urgent matters.

PASTORAL CARE GROUP LEADERS – Thank you for your care of the church family over the past year. Hopefully, many of you will want to carry on into the new church year as this really is an important ministry. We will be holding a meeting to discuss the future on Tuesday, September 12th at 7 pm in the church lounge. If anyone else would like to join the team do let me know and I will add you to the list. Derek

MIDWEEK FAMILY PRAYER MEETING – Why not join us on Wednesday, September 6th at 10.30 am for our monthly prayer gathering? The church will only move forward if we seek God's together as a family.

LEADERSHIP TEAM MEETING – The leadership team will be meeting on Thursday afternoon at 3.30pm and again for our annual away day (in the lounge) as we seek God's guidance for the future. Please support us in prayer.

And finally

IN THE WARS 1 – Pam McLaren had a nasty fall recently and ended up in hospital with some cracked bones in her face as well as extensive bruising. Pam is now back at home recovering and hopes to be with us on Sunday. Please pray for ongoing healing.

IN THE WARS 2 - Davina Rumsby had a nasty fall last Friday and also ended up in hospital. Unfortunately, Davina is still in hospital as she is not well enough to come home yet. Please pray for healing and peace of mind for both Davina and Alan.

IN THE WARS 3 - Val was involved in a car accident and is now in Brighton Hospital. She has an internal bleed over her liver which is puzzling the doctors as the bleeding stops and then restarts. They are doing more scans today to determine the exact state of the liver. If it needs operating on, then it may mean a transfer to a London hospital for specialist treatment. She also has a couple of broken ribs which although very painful will eventually heal. Of greater concern is Val's fractured hip which the doctors have been able to repair. Val is comfortable but clearly needs our prayers as does David her husband. Please pray for correct treatment, healing and peace of mind.

IN THE WARS 4 - Molly Hawkins also had a fall and ended up in hospital feeling battered and bruised. Fortunately, Molly is now back at home and hoping to be with us on Sunday. Please pray for relief from pain and peace of mind.

IN THE WARS 5 – Kay Tucker has been unwell for the last few weeks. She has had an infection and several falls which have left her with quite a bit of facial bruising. She is also rather muddled. Kay would really like to have a few visitors, and really needs our prayers.

ANN TYLER – Ann has been in hospital having had problems with swallowing but is now back at Oban House as is felling quite bright. Please do pray for peace of mind for Ann.

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