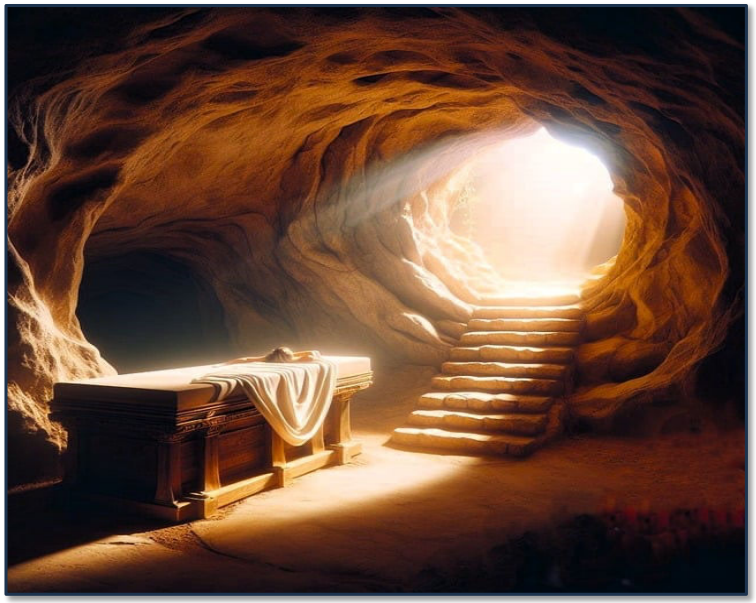
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Vision: Loving God, Loving Each Other, Loving Lost People

ABC NEWS

Aldwick Baptist Church



Sunday 31st March 2024

Series: Easter

Resurrection Day - Believe

John 20:24-31

Simon Downing

IT'S RESURRECTION DAY – "The greatest day in history, death is beaten, You have rescued me. Sing it out, Jesus is alive." Yes, today's the day when we celebrate Jesus' amazing victory and our salvation. Doesn't that make you want to shout from the roof tops! Well perhaps not, but it definitely something we should share with any non-believers in our families, amongst our friend and with our neighbours. Remember you are not trying to sell them a doubtful investment, you are giving them the greatest give you could give anyone ever. Today Simon's band will be leading us in worship as well as bring God's word to us based on John 20:24-31. The title of his sermon is "Resurrection Day – Believe".

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.

DON'T FORGET – Our clocks go forward one hour in the middle of Saturday (March 30th) night as British Summer time starts! Don't forget too, our Sunrise service on Pagham Beach starts at 7.30 am. You are most welcome to join us.

COFFEE TIME - Coffee Time will not be open on Thursday 4th April as both Liz and Trish are away. Coffee Time is an essential part of the West Meads community and regularly attracts 60+ plus visitors each week but is run by a very small team – and they need your help. So if any of you would be interested in helping out occasionally, do have a word with Liz Nichols.

ANNUAL ACCOUNTS - Our financial year ends on 31st March and so if you run one of our groups, I need your accounts as soon as possible as they form an important part of the information that goes on the Charities' website.

GOOD NEWS NEWSPAPER - What did you think of the Easter edition of the Good News? Is it something we should buy every month? Do you think it might be a good tool for local evangelism? Would you be prepared to distribute in your street? Let me know your views.



TALKING ABOUT EVANGELISM – We have a new sermon series stating on April 28th when Jesus will be challenging all of us about our responsibilities to share the Good News with your friends and neighbours.

ANOTHER NEW SERIES – Alongside this series we will also be starting another new series entitled, "Elijah – Living securely in an insecure world".

NEXT FAMILY PRAYER MEETING - Tuesday 9th at 7.00 pm. Please do try to join us as we seek God's guidance in prayer.

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This week's poem

This week as we meet together on Easter Sunday, Arthur asks the question, "What kind of man is this?" How would you answer this question?

What kind of man is this?

What kind of man is this?
Who turned water into wine.
They say his face seemed to shine.
He had so much authority,
And yet He showed humility.
What kind of man is?
Who five thousand fed with two fish
And five loaves of bread.
And raised Lazarus from the dead.
He made the possessed free.
He made the blind to see.
What kind of man is this?
Who calmed the stormy sea.
They say he comes from heaven above
With a message of forgiveness, peace
But most of all love.
I know it's true what they say,
That He is the life, the truth and the way.
"Yes, What kind of man is this?"

Arthur Magee

CHURCH FAMILY MEETING – Our quarterly family meeting will be on Thursday 18th April at 7 pm. Please do make every effort to attend.

SEBA HOME MISSION FOCUS FOR APRIL 2024 - Every month we receive a Home Mission Focus from Paul Kerley which is usually in the form of a short video from one of our Home Mission supported churches. This month the SEBA Focus is on Hawkinge Baptist Church in Kent where their Minister is Ali Boddington. The link (rom 1st April) is:

https://www.seba-baptist.org.uk/?show_media=321235&show_file=356314

… and finally

FIRST RESPONDER - Simon will be away for a few days next week and so I will be acting as first responder for all urgent matters, so do contact me in the case of emergencies. For less urgent problems, please use our pastoral care system by contacting your pastoral group coordinator.

MESSY CHURCH – In a necessary change to our published calendar, Messy Church will open its doors at 3.30pm pm on Thursday, April 11th. Why not pop in and see what goes on? You will be made very welcome.

NEXT WEEKEND'S FAMILY WORSHIP SERVICE 7th April - This will include Breakfast Time which is open to all ages. Breakfast time is a place to encourage Christians and non-Christians alike, to share in some food together, before the family services begin. It is about using the gifts of relationships, hospitality, generosity, and kindness to make people feel valued. It is about helping people feel that they 'belong.' As relationships develop, the sharing of one's faith may also emerge in time.

- **Breakfast menu?** This will quality croissants, fruit, coffee, tea, and will be available from 9.30 in the morning, an hour before the service begins.
- **Most important** - We are all encouraged *no t*o just talk to people we already know, but to befriend people they do not know so well.
- **Who might be coming?** The advertising for Breakfast Time, will be to all our contacts, such as those at Messy Church and Toddler Time.

CAR PARKING - Please park responsibly by first parking against the fence at the front of the church. It really does make a difference

THOSE WHO SUFFER IN SILENCE – Please do continue to pray for the many members of our congregation who struggle on without complaint despite severe difficulties. Please do pray specifically for these unnamed heroes of the faith.

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