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Sunday 10th November 2024

Our Remembrance Service

Sacrifice

Romans 12:1-2

Clive Bennett

TODAY'S REMEMBRANCE SERVICE – Clive will be leading our annual Remembrance service today supported by Brenda's band. On 20th August 1940 Sir Winston Churchill reminded the war torn nation that 'Never in the field of human conflict was so much owed by so many to so few'. Although 84 years have passed since his historic speech, the call goes out each to remember the sacrifices made in the war to keep Britain a free country. Today we remember the fallen heroes who made that happen. Of course their sacrifice reminds us of a greater sacrifice – when Jesus laid down His life so that we can be forgiven for our sins and look forward confidently to eternal freedom with our Lord.

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>.

TODAY'S FLOWERS The flowers today have been donated by Alan Rumsby in loving memory of dear Davina. Still lovingly remembered and sadly missed.

TWO BIG THANK YOUS FROM BRENDA - Firstly, a huge thank you to all the folk who have been upholding me in prayer for the last few weeks. We have a great and wonderful God who has answered those prayers as my energy is slowly returning and my B.P. is now at a normal and safe level. Every day I give HIM all the praise and glory.

Secondly, thank you to all who responded to my request re flowers donations. Your generosity has made it possible for flowers to be there every week now and we can continue the ministry of distribution to any who are ill or housebound. Every blessing Brenda

SHOE BOXES FOR SAMARITANS PURSE - Just a reminder to all who are very generously filling shoe boxes for children at Christmas. Today is the last Sunday for bringing them to the church. Brenda.

KAY TUCKER – Our dear sister Kay died peacefully on Tuesday surrounded by her family. She is now with the Lord. Her funeral will be held on Monday 25th November. 12 noon at the Arun crematorium followed by a service of thanksgiving here at around 1.00pm. This will be followed by refreshments in the hall. The family would be pleased if you would join them at either or both services. Derek

PAM RYAN - Her cremation service will be held on 14th November at 12.30pm at the Chichester Crematorium followed by light refreshments at Shore Church. Paul Kerley will be leading this service. If any of you need a lift, do let me know and we will try to help. More details when we have them. Derek

IF YOU NEED HELP? – Do contact one of the leadership team. Clive (01243 930756), Brenda (01243 265984), John or Joy (01243 837181) or Derek (075994 73691).

This week Arthur's poem based on John 15:3 seems particularly appropriate for our Remembrance service.

"No greater love than this"

When you lose the way,
Feeling lonely and lost.
Retrace your steps
And go back to the cross.
Yes, the path is narrow.
So easy to slip and fall.
But remember how Jesus suffered.
Who died to save us all.
We cannot imagine
The terrible pain he had to bear.
As he Hung
And suffered there.
But He did not flinch
As they led Him to the tree.
Yesa, through all the anguish and the pain
His thoughts were for you and me.

Arthur Magee

HAVE YOU MADE A DECISION? – Three weeks ago, John introduced us to the serving ministries board – Now is the time for action. A few weeks ago we suggested that we not be asking what God can do for us but rather asking what we can do for God. Today we are asking you to make this a reality.

SEBA HOME MISSION FOCUS FOR NOVEMBER 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 Westvale Community Church, where their minister in training is Miranda Odysseos-Beaumont

The Link for the video on the SEBA Web Site

https://www.seba-baptist.org.uk/?show_media=332131&show_file=371990

Or through YouTube Link - https://youtu.be/D_6-REcAISQ

FIRST RESPONDER – As Simon is now on an extended break, I will be acting as first responder, so please don't try to contact him, instead contact me in the case of emergencies. For less urgent problems, please use our pastoral care system by contacting your pastoral group coordinator.

AN IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT – Simon intends to be at this week's service for Remembrance Day. He will also be coming back to work on a phased return and begin to do some ministry over the coming days. He has been advised by the doctors, that he needs to take things very carefully because he is still highly vulnerable.

Simon believes this is the time for him to return and begin again, as God leads. Naturally it is a big thing for him to come back and sit amongst us this coming Sunday, and all he would ask is that whilst he is happy to say hello to people and be friendly, he needs to maintain some level of space, so that he does not get overwhelmed with lots of people near him all at once. He does want to thank you for your understanding, prayers and good wishes.

MOLLY HAWKINS – Molly's new address is Room 33, Burlington Nursing Home, 111 Victoria Dr, Bognor Regis PO21 2DZ. Phone: 01243 821446. Please continue to pray that Molly continues to settle in and that she will soon be able to return to church on Sunday. Molly does feel a bit isolated from us at the moment and would welcome visitors. Molly still has great difficulty in getting out of bed but her mind is very active and her sense of humour remains!

VIVIENNE NEWMAN – Unfortunately Vivienne has had a chest infection and so has been unable to visit her daughter who is in hospital in Stamford. Please do pray for healing for Vivienne and peace of mind.

IAN SURRELL – Some of you will know that Ian was rushed back into St Richards over the weekend with very severe abdominal pain. The doctors believe that Ian's gallbladder is badly infected and should be removed but this is not possible because of Ian's other health problems. As an alternative, the doctors are going to try draining it instead. Please do pray for this to succeed and for generally healing. As always Ian remains cheerful totally trusting the Lord.

WE NEED YOUR PRAYERS – Please continue to pray for Frank who is still unwell and unable to visit the local primary school which he finds very distressing. Do continue to pray for Barbara Farrington and her family, for Nan Everett, for Jon and Michelle Crane. Pray too for Marion Bryant, Arthur Magee and Hazel Bell. Do continue to pray for Mary Bullock, Val Colette and Pam McLaren at Arun Lodge, Please pray too for Mo Howland who is at Westergate Care Home, Denman's Lane. Westergate.