

... and finally Prayer Wall

ALPHA BEGINS ON MONDAY, 1st September - Please pray for the 15 people joining us for our new Alpha series. Pray that are all open to the Lord's prompting as they seek to learn more about Christianity. Pray too for the leaders, Clive, John and Joy - may God give them the right words at the right time. Thank the Lord too for the willing support team, some who will be providing delicious food and others supporting the group in prayer.

Please continue to prayer for Dorothy Ridley and her family as they try to come to terms with the loss of Luke. Please pray too for Peter Kaufman as he continues his healing journey. He remains very weak and is finding life difficult. Please pray for healing. Pray too for Joyce. Please also pray for Chris Grant who is still very fragile. Pray for healing and strength. Pray also for healing for Frank who has a large swelling on his knee. Do give thanks that Matt Wood is still slowly improving. He is still unwell and definitely needs our prayers. Please pray for ongoing healing. Pray too for Simon as he returns from his summer break to guide us on our Christian journey. Pray for strength, peace of mind and for a continual infilling of the Holy Spirit.

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My questions and God's answer ...

.... God's question and my answer

Reading: Psalm13

Stuart Filby

TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE – Clive's band will be leading worship as we welcome our dear friend Stuart Filby to bring God's word to us. The title of his talk is 'My questions and God's answer/ God's question and my answer' based on Psalm 13. In his talk Stuart will also be directing us to 1 Corinthians 13 v4-8. Stuart feels that God has given him this message, and we need to hear it. So, make sure you are here! 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>.

NEXT WEEKEND'S FAMILY WORSHIP SERVICE 6th September 2025 – Simon's band will be leading worship at our monthly family service. It will be preceded by Breakfast Time which is open to all ages from 9.30am. 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. Don't miss this opportunity.

TABLE TENNIS - Summer is coming to an end and that means table tennis is starting up again. Beginning on Tuesday, 2nd September at 2pm and continuing every Tuesday - except 23rd when there is no meeting. We play from 2pm to 4pm and only charge £2.00 per afternoon which includes tea, coffee, biscuits and sometimes even cake. Please come along and join us, even if you haven't played for many a year. We are a friendly bunch and share many stories. We will be at the hall at rear of the church looking forward to seeing you all. You can contact me for further information on 07583468369 - John Bell.

COMMUNITY CAFÉ – We also return to action at 10am on Tuesday, 2nd September. If you need somewhere to relax, have some great conversations, make a few friends and above all, enjoy a good cup of tea or coffee, then the Love Aldwick Community Café is the place to be.

MONTHLY FAMILY PRAYER GATHERING – Tuesday, 2nd September at 7pm. Do please join us, as there is immense power when God's people pray in unity and faith. Let's come expectantly, believing that our prayers make a difference—and that the God who hears is also the God who answers

LUNCH CLUB – Our luncheon club re-opens its doors once on the Wednesday 3rd September and again on the first Wednesday of each month and is a great social event which is open to people of all ages. Lunch is served at 12:15pm and consists of a main, desert and coffee/tea. The cost of this sumptuous meal is a minimum donation of £3.00 per person - a bargain price for a great meal and great company.

"But I trust in your unfailing love; my heart rejoices in your salvation."

Psalm 13:5 (NIV)

As we step into a new season and restart many activities, we bring our questions, hopes, and hearts before God. This poem reflects the journey of Psalm 13—from honest doubts to renewed trust—as we move forward together in faith.

In the Turning of the Page

September stirs with quiet grace,
A new page waits, a change of pace.
We lift our heads from summer's rest—
To plans revived, to faith re-dressed.
Yet deep within, the questions stay:
"Will You be near? Will You still stay?"

Like David once, we voice our ache:
"How long, O Lord, must my heart break?"
The doubts, the fears, the silent cries—
They echo under autumn skies.
But even in the question's weight,
God's steady love will never wait.

He asks us, too, with gentle tone:
"Will you still trust when I've seemed gone?
Will you believe I'm working still—
Beyond your sight, beneath your will?"
And when we pause, then comes the grace:
A song restored, a resting place.

So as we gather, start anew—
With hands to serve and hearts made true,
Let questions come, but answers grow
Where faith and love begin to flow.
Each step we take, each prayer we raise,
Becomes a thread in God's own praise.

For in the turning of the page,
The Lord is still our Rock, our stage.
New chapters wait, and so we bring
Our hopes, our hurts, our everything.
He meets us there, through joy or strife—
The Author of eternal life.

TAB (The Aldwick bard)