

PRAYER CORNER

Are you in need of prayer? Then contact one of the leadership team or email contact@aldwickbaptist.co.uk for your prayer needs to be circulated.

PRAYER NEEDS

Please pray for Chris Mustchin who was taken into hospital on Thursday suffering from heart problems. Please pray for a correct diagnosis and healing.

STOP PRESS – Chris is now back at home. He has a bad chest infection and he is now on the mend.

Please pray for Daphne as she is struggling at present.

Please pray for Pauline Hatcher who suffers from asthma and has been having breathing problems this week

Pray too for David Hanchard who has high blood pressure.

Pray too for Frank as he is still in a lot of pain and is unable to continue with his school visits at present. Frank finds this extremely difficult. Please pray for pin relief.

Please continue to pray for Arthur Magee as he is still suffering from the aftereffects of his recent car accident.

Please give thanks to the Lord that Liz's great grandson, Vinnie is much better. But do pray that his persistent cough some clears up.

Please continue to pray for Ray and Heather Craddock as they are both unwell at present. Ray has a suspected blood clot. Please pray for healing and peace of mind.

Please thank God and pray for our worship bands who will be meeting next week to review their role in leading worship.

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**"As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you."
(Isaiah 66:13)**

Sunday 15th March 2026

**Series: The Magnificence of the Messiah
Part VIII – Lord over the living and the dead.**

Mothering Sunday

Mark 5: 21-43

Clive Bennett

TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE – Simon's band is leading worship and Clive will be bringing God's word to us. The title of his talk is 'Messiah – Lord over the living and dead' based on Mark 5v21-43. It is also Mother's Day. This week we will see Jesus calm the storm, revealing Him as the Lord of creation. Next week we go further still, as He confronts sickness and death itself and shows that the Messiah is Lord over both the living and the dead.

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 SUNDAY'S SERVICE – 22nd March – Hazel's band is leading worship and Simon will be bringing God's word to us. The title of his talk is 'Messiah – Miracle Worker' based on Mark 6v30-44. When faced with overwhelming need and limited resources, Jesus reveals the generous heart of God, showing that what seems small in our hands becomes abundant in His.

AN ADVANCED INVITATION TO LUNCH – You are warmly invited for a light buffet lunch on 29th March after the morning service. This is a chance for us all to get to know each other a little better. More details to follow. Liz.

FOODBANK - We are very grateful to all those who donate items for the Bognor Foodbank. Current urgently needed items are: Rice puddings, Pasta Sauce, Biscuits, Tinned Meat and Toilet Rolls. Please place them in the donation point on the left-hand side of the church foyer

URGENT CALL – Are you looking for a homegroup? Then speak to me today. We will shortly be starting two new homegroups as the current groups are bursting at the seams. So, if you are not a member of a homegroup as yet - then this would be a good time to join. Derek

THINKING ABOUT BAPTISM – We're holding a baptismal service in May — a joyful celebration of lives made new in Christ! If you're a believer and haven't yet been baptised, why not take time to pray and ask: "Is now the moment to take this step?" Baptism is a beautiful declaration of faith — a public "yes" to Jesus, and a powerful picture of new life. We have even bought some new handrails to ensure your safety. If you'd like to explore this further, we'd love to chat with you. Simon and Derek.

Easter Craft & Hot Cross Bun Family Event – March 21st – 2pm to 4pm. This is our next Love Aldwick Event. This is usually a popular and well attended event, so please book your tickets as soon as possible as spaces are quickly disappearing. Entry is free but we would appreciate a financial donation if possible. All donations will go to Food Bank. For further details email contact@aldwickbaptist.co.uk or talk to Clive or Bev.

For many of us, Mother's Day brings not only gratitude but memories — of a voice that comforted us, hands that cared for us, and a love that answered whenever we called. Though many of our mothers are now with the Lord, the gift of their love remains with us. This poem is a quiet reflection on those treasured memories.

When Mother Answered

There was a time we scarcely knew
How often we would call her name—
In childish need, in small mishaps,
And always she, somehow, just came.

A scraped knee, a troubled heart,
A worry whispered late at night;
Before the tears had fully formed
She seemed to know—and set things right.

Her voice could calm the storms we feared,
Her hands could mend what life had torn;
And in the quiet strength she gave
Our fragile confidence was born.

The years have turned, the house is still,
Her chair sits empty by the fire;
Yet in our hearts her gentle care
Still lifts us when our spirits tire.

And sometimes when the path feels long
And burdens press more than they should,
We hear again that steady voice
That told us life would yet be good.

For though the years have drawn her home
Beyond the reach of time and sight,
The love she sowed along our way
Still warms our days and lights our night.

So today we pause with thankful hearts
For all the grace her life has shown;
A mother's love, though years may pass,
Remains a gift we still call home.

TAB (The Aldwick bard)