



# ABC NEWS

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**“41 They were terrified and asked each other, ‘Who is this? Even the wind and the waves obey him!’ (Mark 4:41)**

**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2026**

**Series: The Magnificence of the Messiah**

**Part VI – Lord over Creation**

**Mark 4: 38-41**

**Simon Downing**

**TODAY’S WORSHIP SERVICE** – Do join us as Clive and his team lead us in worship! Simon will then return to our series ‘The Magnificence of the Messiah! As we reach part 7 His talk is entitled, ‘Messiah – Lord of Creation’ based on Mark 4: 35 – 41. In this story we find the disciples in the midst of a terrifying storm, Jesus speaks and the sea falls silent—reminding us that the Messiah we follow is the Lord who rules over creation itself.

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 – 15<sup>th</sup> March** – 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.

**EMPOWER 2026 – Women’s Ministry Day** – Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> March from 9.30am to 3.30pm at The Shore Community Church, Victoria Drive. Tickets £5 (cash only) available from the Living Word Bookshop or see Pippa for online bookings. For further details [empowerwomensministry@outlook.com](mailto:empowerwomensministry@outlook.com).

**STARTING TOMORROW at 7pm** – Curious about Jesus? Christianity Explored is a relaxed way to discover who He is and why He matters. Book your place now! For further details speak to Simon today.

**AN ADVANCED INVITATION TO LUNCH** – You are warmly invited for a light buffet lunch on 29<sup>th</sup> 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: Small jars of coffee, Tinned rice puddings, Tinned fruit, Biscuits and UHT Milk (green). 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. If you’d like to explore this further, we’d love to chat with you. Simon and Derek.

## This week's poem

Arthur steps out of retirement this week to give us his thoughts on 'Getting Old'. His message to us is – we must forget our problems and have a laugh every day. So, in Arthur's words ...

### KEEP SMILING

This getting old is no fun –  
With pains in my back and pains in my tum.  
The postman brings letters about simple cremation  
And they say I will be a new man –  
with herbal medication.  
The man at the door says his vibrating chain  
will relieve me of my tension.  
But I believe it will relieve me of my pension.  
I might buy an electric scooter now I'm not spritely -  
and you get a discount when you are over ninety.  
I had a phone call about a chairlift -  
And I really didn't want to say no.  
But it's so stupid when you live in a bungalow  
My wife sent for these frozen meals -  
at a friend's suggestion.  
Now I'm in the doctor's with chronic indigestion.  
When I think of all the romantic words we used to share.  
Now she said I sat on your teeth you left on the chair  
Oh well I must not complain  
But I wish I was twenty-one again.

Arthur Magee

**Easter Craft & Hot Cross Bun Family Event** – March 22<sup>nd</sup> – 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](mailto:contact@aldwickbaptist.co.uk) or talk to Clive or Bev.

## PRAYER CORNER

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

### PRAYER NEEDS

Please pray for Daphne as she is struggling at present.

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 pray for Liz's great grandson, Vinnie who is very poorly at present.

Please can you pray for Mary David West (Haze's parents). David has Parkinson's disease. Things continue to get tougher as the disease progresses.

Haze & Jay would also value prayer at the moment, as Haze is struggling health wise which has prevented them being able to visit her parents. Please can you pray for peace for the whole West/Lodge family as they support Mary & David.

Jon Crome would like to thank everyone for their prayers for Michelle who is now back at home. Please continue to pray for her as she is exhausted and still has the worry of waiting for an appointment with a heart specialist.

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 continue to pray for Arthur Magee as he is still suffering from the aftereffects of his recent car accident. He is also having problems with his hearing with may be a technical problem with his hearing aid. Please pray for a solution.

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