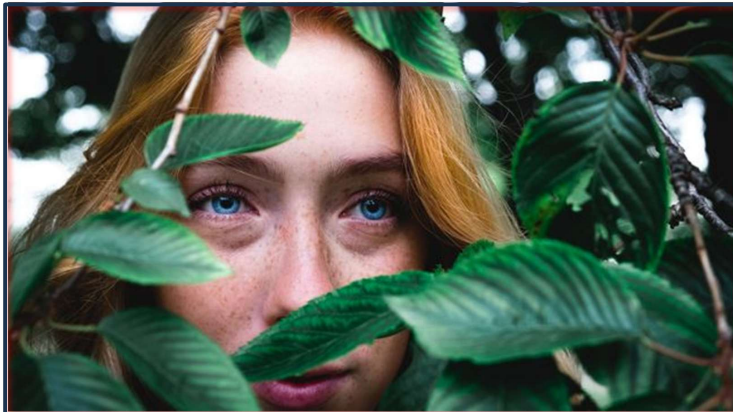




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"Where can I go from your Spirit? Where can I flee from your presence?" (Psalm 139:7)

Sunday 30th August 2026

Psalms for the Journey

"Known and loved by God"

Psalm 139

Derek Robinson

SUNDAY'S SERVICE – 30th August. Do join us this Sunday as Simon's band leads us in worship and Derek concludes our summer series, *Psalms for the Journey*. Over recent weeks we've discovered God as our Shepherd, our Refuge and our Keeper. This Sunday we finish with one of the Bible's most loved Psalms—**Psalm 139: Known and Loved by God**. In a world where many wonder if anyone truly understands them, Psalm 139 brings a wonderful assurance: **the God who knows us completely is also the God who loves us completely**.

Whether you're part of our church family or visiting us over the summer, we'd love to welcome you. If you're unable to join us in person, you can watch the service online at:

<https://www.alldwickbaptist.co.uk/category/current-sermons>

NEXT SUNDAY'S FAMILY WORSHIP SERVICE – 6th September. Join us next Sunday as Simon and his band lead our monthly Family Worship Service. Together we'll explore one of the greatest challenges of the Christian life—**keeping going when life is hard**. Drawing on **Hebrews 12:1–2**, we'll discover what it means to **run the race with perseverance**, fixing our eyes on Jesus, who never gave up on us. There'll be something for all ages, and we'd love you to join us.

BREAKFAST TOGETHER – 9:30am (Everyone Welcome!) Why not start your Sunday with breakfast together? Before our Family Worship Service, join us for a relaxed time of good food, friendly conversation and warm fellowship. It's a wonderful opportunity to catch up with old friends, make new ones and help everyone feel at home. Whether you're a regular member or visiting for the first time, there's always a place for you at the table—we'd love to see you there!

TUESDAY PRAYER MEETING – 1st September, 7:00pm

Prayer is one of the greatest privileges God has given His people. Join us on Tuesday evening as we come together to seek the Lord, give thanks for His faithfulness, and pray for our church, our community and our world. Everyone is warmly welcome, whether you're used to praying aloud or simply wish to join us quietly.

CLEAR UP SATURDAY – We are organising a clear up morning on Saturday, September 5th starting at 9.00am as we dispose of unwanted items that have accumulated at the church over the last few years. This does mean there will be a skip in the front car park for a few days. If you can help, please do join us.

FOODBANK - We are very grateful to all those who donate items for the Bognor Foodbank. Current urgently needed items are: **Tinned fruit, Tinned soup, Cleaning products, Laundry pods (non bio), Washing up liquid**.

Please place them in the donation point on the left-hand side of the church foyer.

This week's poem

There are very few people who know us as we really are. Even those closest to us see only part of the picture. But Psalm 139 lifts our eyes to a wonderful truth: we are fully known by God—and, in Christ, fully loved.

Known

Some days begin with hurried steps,
A list of things to do;
We greet the world with practised smiles,
Yet hide what we've been through.
We carry joys we scarcely share,
And burdens tucked away;
The questions that disturb our sleep,
The worries of the day.
We wonder if we're understood,
Or if we're seen at all;
If anyone would really care
Should all our defences fall.
Yet One has known us from the first,
Before our journey's start;
Who counts each tear we've ever wept,
And sees into the heart.
He knows our strengths, He knows our faults,
The words we leave unsaid;
Yet still He calls us by our name,
And gently walks ahead.
So when you doubt your worth this week,
Or feel you're on your own,
Remember this enduring truth:
In Christ, you're fully loved and known.

TAB (The Aldwick bard)

TIME FOR ACTION – Most of our groups will be restarting in September.

Tuesday 1st September – Community Café

Wednesday 2nd September – Lunch Club

Thursday 3rd September – Coffee Time (West Meads)

Monday 7th September – Toddler Time

Monday 7th September – Craft Club

Tuesday 8th September – Table Tennis

PRAYER CORNER

PRAYER REQUESTS. If you are in need of prayer, then email contact@aldwickbaptist.co.uk

ANAIHAH MASIH – Do thank the Lord that Anaiah passed all of her GCSE's and can now move into the sixth to study her chosen subjects.

TONY WOOD - Tony went to be with the Lord earlier this week. Please thank the Lord for his life and pray for Cilla and the family at this difficult time.

IAN SURRELL – Ian is back at St. Richards having a problem with his leg again. He had a blister which burst, was on antibiotics but infection has really taken hold so will have to stay in hospital to have strong antibiotics intravenously. Please pray for healing and for peace of mind.

JO LOCKHEART – Jo would like us to pray for her sister who is scheduled to have a hip replacement on Tuesday 1st September. Jo's sister is 92 years old, so do pray that the operation goes ahead and is successful. Pray too for full recovery.

MARION COLLINS – Marion is back at home following a successful operation to repair the tear in her lung. She can now breathe on her own but needs to take it easy for the next six weeks. Do thank God that the operation went well and pray for ongoing healing and peace of mind for Marion and Ray.

JOY SMITH – Do pray for Joy as she continues to struggle with her health. Pray too for John who is concerned about Joy's health and for the rest of the family.

ARTHUR MAGEE – Arthur is still in a lot of pain following his recent operation. Please pray for pain relief and ongoing healing.

GILL AND TREVOR GUY – We would be grateful for the continued prayer of the church family for our daughter in law Kay as she undergoes a long, intense course of chemotherapy.

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