

PRAYER CORNER

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR SIMON – Pray for protection for Simon as he continues to bring God's word to us. Pray for renewed energy, healing and Holy Spirit inspiration as he begins to plan for 2027. Pray too for Nicky who is missing the girls and for Anayah and Emily away at University.

PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY – For Mo Howland, Marion Collins, Arthur Magee, Marion Bryant, Marie Stoneham, Daphne Ashby, Hazel Bell and many others in the fellowship who are struggling with various health issues.

IAN SURRELL – Ian is slightly more settled now that he is back at home. He does still have multiple problems which makes life difficult. Please pray for ongoing healing, peace of mind and thank the Lord that Ian is still smiling despite his ongoing problems.

ROSEANNE GOULD – Please continue to pray for Roseanne as she awaits further hospital appointments to decide on the most suitable treatment for her damaged shoulder. She is likely to need replacement shoulder surgery. Please pray for a swift decision on what is needed followed by a successful operation. Please pray too for peace of mind.

CILLA WOOD – Please continue to pray for Cilla as she adjusts to life without Tony. Please pray too for Briana and Alexander. Please pray for peace of mind.

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.

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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Sunday 11th October 2026

Series: Preparing for revival

The full gospel – Word and Spirit

Acts 2:1-24

Simon Downing

SUNDAY'S SERVICE – 11th October**What happens when God's Word and God's Spirit come together?**

This Sunday, Brenda's band will lead us in worship as we return to our Preparing for Revival series. Simon will be speaking on "The Full Gospel – Word and Spirit", taking us back to the dramatic events of Pentecost in Acts 2:1–24 and asking what they might mean for the Church — and for each of us — today.

Whether you are part of our regular church family, haven't been for a while, or are visiting us for the first time, we would love to welcome you.

If you're unable to join us in person, you can watch the service online through the Current Sermons page of our website or by using this link.

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

NEXT SUNDAY – 18th October**What does it mean to live out our Christian faith in the ordinary world of work, responsibilities and everyday life?**

Next Sunday, Simon's band will lead our worship before Clive continues our series Living by Faith in our Modern World. His talk, "Working for God with Integrity," will explore how our faith should shape the way we work and live — not simply on Sundays, but throughout the week.

The Bible passages will be Ephesians 2:10, Colossians 3:23–24 and Matthew 5:13–16.

Do join us — everyone is welcome.

HARVEST DONATIONS – Thank you for your incredible fundraising efforts in support of Bognor Regis Foodbank. Your dedication and support have made a huge difference to the lives of people living in poverty. You donated 178.2kg of food. Liddy Blunden (operations manager).

GETTING NEARER – OCTOBER CHURCH MEETING – Thursday, 22nd October, 7pm in the church. Do join us as we seek God's direction for His church here at Aldwick.

PREACHING TEAM – On Sunday 18th October, I will be preaching at Southbourne Free Church as one of a number of visiting speakers helping to support the church following the recent death of their Pastor, Paul Cox. Please do remember the fellowship in your prayers as they grieve Paul's loss and seek God's guidance and strength for the days ahead. Derek

CHURCH PHONE NUMBER - 07743 257 860. If you want to contact the church use this number and leave a message as this phone is not constantly monitored.

Words are part of every day — spoken in passing, shared with a friend, written in a card or remembered from long ago. Most are soon forgotten, but sometimes a few simple words stay with us, bringing comfort, courage or a new way of seeing things. And sometimes familiar words can suddenly seem wonderfully new. **Our poem this week reflects on the power of words — and on those moments when God takes familiar words of Scripture and makes them come alive within us.**

When words come alive

Some words are quickly spoken,
Then vanish with the day;
A greeting at the doorway,
A thought along the way.

But sometimes words stay with us,
Long after voices cease;
A sentence brings us courage,
Another whispers peace.

A friend says, "I am with you,"
When life is hard to bear;
A simple word of kindness
Reminds us someone cares.

A letter kept for years may
Bring memories flooding through;
The words have never altered,
Yet somehow they seem new.

And so it is with Scripture,
Familiar lines we know;
Until one day God speaks them
And makes their meaning glow.

The page becomes a doorway,
The ancient words take flight;
God's Spirit gently takes them
And fills our hearts with light.

So when we open Scripture,
May this our prayer still be:
"Speak, Lord, into my living;
Make Your Word live in me."

TAB (The Aldwick bard)