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**2022 Church Text "But the Holy Spirit, our Counsellor, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and remind you of everything I have told you."  
John 14:26**

## Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2022

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**10.30am**

Revd Andy Gore

'Living in the Spirit imitating Jesus'

**All Age Service**

### Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> JANUARY

**10.30am**

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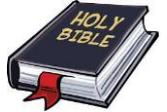
'Living in the Spirit listening to Jesus'

**Covenant Renewal**

**Family Communion**

**7.30pm Embrace**

### Old Testament book of the week



Monday (3<sup>rd</sup> January):

Ruth 1 : 1 – 22

Tuesday (4<sup>th</sup> January):

Ruth 2 : 1 – 23

Wednesday (5<sup>th</sup> January):

Ruth 3 : 1 – 18

Thursday (6<sup>th</sup> January):

Ruth 4 : 1 – 17

Friday (7<sup>th</sup> January):

Ruth 4 : 18 – 22

Saturday (8<sup>th</sup> January):

Isaiah 61 : 1 – 11

**“Eat this book”**

“What do you think Ruth is saying to you today?”

**The notices for January will be typed by Gilli Gore**

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**Please forward by Wednesday**



**Thursday**

Coffee Pot 10.00 – 13.00

**Saturday**

SODA 9.30 – 11.00

**New Monday Fellowship Group for 2022**

We are starting a new study and fellowship group in January 2022. It will be held in church and will start at 11:30, once a month on a Monday. A Bible Study and Prayers will then be followed by a 'bring and share' lunch, drinks will be provided. You won't need to stay for lunch if that is better for you.

The dates are 17th January, 14th February, 14th March, 16th May, 27th June and 11th July. We hope you will put these dates in your diary and come along and join us. Sandra Herman



As we worship together on a Sunday you may be thinking that you would like to be involved in playing or singing in the worship band.

You are so welcome to join either our morning services or afternoon/evening services. We would love to involve all ages, abilities and instruments. Below are a list of services and who to contact if you are interested.

**Please contact Terry Armstrong or Lesley Charles** about the 1st, 2nd, 4th and 5th morning services. Practices on Thursday evening -7:45pm onwards.

**Please contact Becca Evers or Paul Taylor** about joining in the 3rd Sunday morning Family service, 4pm service (2nd Sundays) or Youth services 7:30pm (Embrace - 2nd and 4th Sunday). Practices on Tuesday evening- 7:45pm onwards.'

**Thank you to our lovely friends at DBC** for their anniversary greetings. Even HM the Queen heard about it and sent us a Special card!



With love from Pauline and Roger

**In Harmony Free Church Choirs**



Every two years the Free Church Choirs organise a Festival of Church Music. Due to the pandemic, the October 2021 festival was postponed and is now scheduled for the 21st May next year, in Lichfield Cathedral.

This is an invitation to either sing in the choir, or be part of the congregation. There will be local rehearsals. **Many denominations will take part.** Further information is on the notice boards.

**Video streaming is now being used**



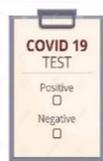
successfully and will be a major benefit to many people who can't attend services in person. We do however need everyone who may be likely to appear on video at the front to sign a form to give us permission to video them and broadcast it on YouTube. Anyone who participates in a service including the music group and anyone taking the offering, need to sign, if this

isn't done then you haven't given permission and the broadcast cannot go on YouTube, once signed it will last 3 years, then reviewed.

Forms will be available on Sunday for you to sign. If you are signing for a family please note that the age of consent for data use like this in the UK is 13, so please sign on behalf of children who are younger than 13 and get all 13 and overs to sign for themselves.

**If you do not want to appear on camera** please be aware of the area of church that is not in shot, if you need to go in to the front part of church please inform the camera man.

**If you test positive for Covid-19 within days of being at Dronfield Baptist Church, please let Andy Gore know as soon as possible.**



### **Prayer Chain Contacts:**

If you have a request which you would like us to pray for, please contact any of the following so that the message can be passed on and prayer chain members.

### **The Pastoral Team:**

The pastoral team is here for you and are happy to help. Please make sure that we are made aware of anyone's needs. Please do tell us, we really don't mind if more than one person makes us aware of a need.

## **Freecycle**

Two bookcases, past their prime but serviceable. 60cm and 80cm wide. We can deliver locally. New bedroom furniture now purchased!

Gilli Gore



## **Thought for the week**

Happy New Year – but which one do you think is best? Is it better with an exclamation mark or a question mark? I must admit that as I've been thinking about this, I am still not quite sure. An exclamation mark sounds bold and faith filled, whereas a question mark though it has a very honest feel about it also wrestles with doubts and uncertainties.

Now you see why I am struggling.

It has struck me that every New Year I can be very repetitive as we continue to explore and follow the breadcrumbs of Mosaic Discipleship. At every New Year I say the same sort of thing – this year we will seek to be more like Jesus as he continues to be at work in our lives making us more like him. But yet it also doesn't feel like this as we follow a different combination of breadcrumbs. This year we will be pondering and exploring the themes of the Holy Spirit, evangelism and holiness.

But it is not only the themes that change; our lives do. Each year we are faced with fresh vistas of opportunity, challenge and excitement which we have never faced before. These fresh vistas demand of us a willingness to follow Jesus where none of us have been before and though I know I cannot see what lies before us as a church or as individuals, I do know someone who does.

So, what will it be? A question mark, an exclamation mark or is it both? I am not sure if that is allowed grammatically but I know it does work spiritually. I know that Jesus calls us to embrace the exclamation mark of knowing that he is with us by the Spirit who prompts us again and again to remember not just his words but him who promised to never leave us or forsake us. Yet, I also know Jesus calls us to embrace the question mark of not knowing all of the answers but where we dare to place our hand in his hand as we walk into the unknown.

So, I say to you all 'Happy New Year!?' or even 'Happy New Year?!' and you can choose the one which works best for you.

Andy Gore