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2023 Church Text: "And He made known to us, the mystery of His will, to bring everything together in Christ" Ephesians 1:9 & 10

Sunday 12th November 2023



Sunday 12th November Remembrance Sunday

There is no morning service here at DBC.

Starting at 10.45am the Service of Remembrance will take place at the War Memorial in the Library Garden.

7.30pm

Embrace Youth Service

Sunday 19th November

10.30am

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Psalm 32 'A Troubled Psalm'

All Age Service

The notices for **November and December** will be typed by Heather Machin, please send by Wednesday to: heathermachin@dronfieldbaptist.co.uk
Thank you

Monday 13th November

Toddlers	09.30 – 11.30
Jolt	15.30 – 17.00
Base	18.00 – 19.30
Monday Prayers	19.00
Aftershock	19.30 – 21.00
Over 50's Men's Night	20.00

Tuesday 14th November

Table Tennis	10.00 – 12.00
Messy Church	15.45 – 18.00
Joyful Noise	19.00 – 20.30

Wednesday 15th November

J3	15.30 – 17.00
Church Meeting	19.30

Thursday 16th November

Coffee Pot	10.30 – 13.00
Communion	11.00
Places of Welcome	13.00 – 15.00
J2	15.30 – 17.00
Ukulele Group	18.30

Friday 17th November

Toddlers	09.30 – 11.30
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Saturday 18th November

Who Let the Dads Out?	09.30 – 11.00
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Psalm of the Week

Monday (13th November):

Morning Psalm **44**

Evening Psalms **47, 49**

Tuesday (14th November):

Morning Psalms **48, 52**

Evening Psalm **50**

Wednesday (15th November):

Morning Psalm **119 : 57 - 80**

Evening Psalms **59, 60, 67**

Thursday (16th November):

Morning Psalms 56, **57, 63**

Evening Psalms 61, **62, 64**

Friday (17th November):

Morning Psalms **51, 54**

Evening Psalm **38**

Saturday (18th November):

Morning Psalm **68**

Evening Psalms 65, **66**

"Eat this book"

"What do you think the Psalmist is saying to you today?"



Male Help for J2

Richard Mattison is going into hospital on Thursday for his knee operation and will be out of action for 2 months.

So, we are looking for a male helper for Thursday Afternoons starting this week up to Christmas on Thursdays from 3.30pm to 5pm. Please contact Zania or David Lax if you can help



November Elections

We have four people up for election to the

Leadership Team on November 15th at the Church Meeting.

Temby Jones for the position of Treasurer. Anna Rattigan, Matt Pocock & Gerard van Schalkwyk for the Leadership Team.

If you are unable to attend the Church Meeting and wish to have a postal vote, please contact David Lax.

DBC Fellowship Address Book

We are compiling a new fellowship address book shortly. To ensure we are as up to date as possible please check your details in the current address book and **let**

Chris Turk or Heather Machin know of any changes.

Also, if you have begun worshipping with us since the last address book was published at the beginning of 2022 and are happy to be included in the new address book, please let us know.

Any emailed updates can be sent to

Chris at

christurk@dronfieldbaptist.co.uk

or Heather at

heathermachin@dronfieldbaptist.co.uk

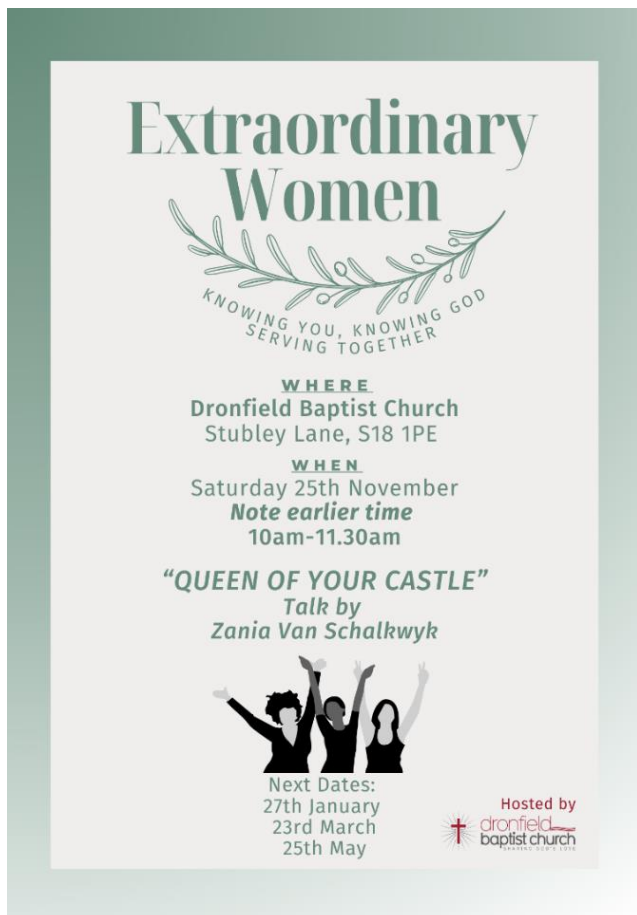
Over 50's Men's night out: The next Men's Over 50's night will be on Monday November 13th at The Royal Oak, Coal Aston at 8pm for a chat and to do the quiz.



The morning service on 26th November is also our annual Gift Service.

This is our opportunity to support charities by donating new toys, toiletries and gifts or good quality used toys & gifts:

- Manor Project can use good quality or new toys and gifts
- Lighthouse Homes, Brimington are grateful for toiletries for men and women, gifts for homeless.
- If you are buying for Angel Tree, it is also the time to bring your presents for forwarding on.



Thought for the week

Alison Bygrave

A phrase which has been on my mind recently has been 'In the midst of Life we are in Death' which I thought was from the Bible, maybe in Job. After some searching, I discovered it comes from the Book of Common Prayer), not a usual source for me. It is part of the funeral service and continues with the thought 'To whom may we look for help, but from you, Lord, who for our sins are justly displeased?'

I found some interesting articles on this theme, one written in 2020 when we were in the midst of the covid pandemic. Martin Davie, writing for the Latimer Trust says 'The important thing to note here is that these words are not just referring to life in a time of pandemic. They are referring to what is generally true for all human beings at all times and everywhere.' (Theological reflections on the pandemic. Part 2.)

It is hard to accept the only certainty in life is death, and our current population does a good job of sanitising it, denying it and trying to ignore it. In the same way we all ignore the words of Jesus in Luke 14:20-21: Once, on being asked by the Pharisees when the kingdom of God would come, Jesus replied, "The coming of the kingdom of God is not something that can be observed, nor will people say, 'Here it is,' or 'There it is,' because the kingdom of God is in your midst.

If you are assured that this is true, then death doesn't have the same power over you, 'Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?' (I Cor 15:55) Sudden death or death of a loved one is still hard to deal with, but we can be sure that our God is walking with us in the valley of the shadow of death and he is still our rock and our refuge, the great Lord who is most worthy of our praise.



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If anyone wishes to buy a gift for a named child, please let me know as soon as possible please so I can add your name to my list. We are also grateful for any donations of Christmas wrapping paper. Many thanks to you all, Linda Brennan

Romans 15:13

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

The Prayer Chain

Andy made a glancing mention of a prayer chain in his sermon last week and it occurred to me that not everyone will realise that they can be a member of our church prayer chain which has been running since 1985 (I think).

It began as a result of a Women's Wednesday morning Bible study, in which we studied a book called 'What happens when women pray' by Evelyn Christensen. In those days we had an A4 sheet of rules and it was a telephone chain, with two leaders who started the message down the chains. Over the years we became more familiar with technology as it evolved into an email chain which made many of the rules irrelevant as there was no longer room for Chinese whispers to creep in. The last telephone chain finished in February 2015 and since then it has operated by email with these basic rules.

1. Pray faithfully and fervently James 5:16
2. Pray God's will
3. Be discreet – keep requests confidential. There are two categories of requests, **Prayer Chain only** which means they are not to be shared outside the prayer chain and **Prayer Chain Request** which means they can be shared for prayer with the church. Don't gossip.
4. Permission from the originator or subject of the prayer is required, wherever feasible

The Prayer Chain is one of the support structures of our church; if there is an urgent prayer need, an email will be sent by Gill Smith or Alison Bygrave and we will unite in prayer.

If you would like to join the prayer chain or have a prayer request, please contact Alison alisonbygrave@hotmail.com or Gill Smith gillsm2012@gmail.com

Church Life

The Pastoral Team: The pastoral team is here for you and members are happy to help. Please make sure that we are made aware of anyone's needs. Do tell us, we really don't mind if more than one person contacts us.

Prayer Chain Contacts: If you would like to join the prayer chain or have a request that you would like us to pray for, please contact any of the following so that the message can be passed on to prayer chain members.

Alison Bygrave

Gill Smith

How are we doing?

The black letter box in the porch is for your feedback on church life.



It's important to know how things are affecting you, if we are to discern and fulfil God's vision for DBC and shape our future ministries together.