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**2024 Church Text: "Let us keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, on whom our faith depends from beginning to end." Hebrews 12:2**

## Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2024



### Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> January

**10.00 – 10.15am**

Pre-Service Prayers

**10.30am**

**Rev Andy Gore**

Hebrews 12:2

'Looking Ahead - Looking to be like  
Family'

**Family Communion**

**Covenant Service**

**4.00pm**

**Messy Church**

**7.30pm**

**Embrace**

### Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January

Toddler Group 09.30 – 11.30

Jolt 15.30 – 17.00

Prayer Meeting 19.00 – 19.45

Base 18.00 – 19.30

Aftershock 19.30 – 21.00

Over 50's Men's Night 20.00 - .....

### Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> January

Table Tennis 10.00 – 12.00

Hope & Light 15.45 – 16.45

Joyful Noise 19.00 – 21.00

### Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> January

J3 15.30 – 17.00

### Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> January

Coffee Pot 10.30 – 13.00

Communion 11.00 – 11.30

Place of Welcome 13.00 – 15.00

J2 15.30 – 17.00

Ukulele Club 18.30 – 19.30

### Friday 19<sup>th</sup> January

Toddler Group 09.30 – 11.30

### Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> January

WLDO 09.30 – 11.00

### Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> January

**10.30am**

**Zania van Schalkwyk**

Looking ahead – Looking to Worship

**All Age Service**

**6.30am**

**Churches Together Service**

**St Philips Church**

## Gospel for the week

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January:  
Matthew 24 verses 1 - 14

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> January:  
Matthew 24 verses 15 - 28

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> January:  
Matthew 24 verses 29 - 51

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> January:  
Matthew 25 verses 1 - 13

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> January:  
Matthew 25 verses 14 - 30

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> January:  
Matthew 25 verses 31 - 46

**"Eat this book"**

"What do you think Matthew is saying to you today?"



### **Messy Church**

New Day  
**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup>  
January**

Same Time  
**4.00pm**

**Come along**

**and join in the fun either as a  
participant or volunteer!**

The notices for **January & February**  
will be typed by Gilli Gore  
Please send by Wednesday. Thank you.



## **Job of the Month**

### **Café Church**

Who enjoys a cuppa and Afternoon Tea? I'd say we all do! Café Church is all about folk coming together enjoying company, chatting, and sharing a plate of delights. **So valuable.** And alongside the fellowship we enjoy speakers, quizzes, ukuleles, themed teas, fun, laughter, and sharing the Love & Joy of God. The teams that currently set up Café Church all have their own approach – there are no rules! Some set up in the hall, others in the church. Some bake, others of us enjoy exploring Sainsbury's! **If you would like to join us as an individual or a premade team, please see Gilli.** We would love more folk to share their ideas and skills.



### **Extraordinary Women**



### **Knowing You, Knowing God Serving Together**

Dronfield Baptist Church  
Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> January  
10.30am – 12pm

### **"Flourishing under the care of The Great Gardener"**

Talk by

### **Jo Claire, author of The Great Gardener**

Future Dates  
23<sup>rd</sup> March  
25<sup>th</sup> May

## Thought for the week From Alison Bygrave

It is that time of the year when we make New Year resolutions, we have a new Church Text, and lots of good intentions. It may be that by the time you are reading this the resolution is already forgotten or abandoned, or maybe you are someone who doesn't even make one for fear of failing.

The great thing is with God you don't have to be afraid of failing or of not keeping resolutions. There is a rather (to me) intriguing passage in Matthew 5 which reads

<sup>33</sup> "Again, you have heard that it was said to the people long ago, 'Do not break your oath, but fulfil to the Lord the vows you have made.' <sup>34</sup> But I tell you, do not swear an oath at all: either by heaven, for it is God's throne; <sup>35</sup> or by the earth, for it is his footstool; or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the Great King. <sup>36</sup> And do not swear by your head, for you cannot make even one hair white or black. <sup>37</sup> All you need to say is simply 'Yes' or 'No'; anything beyond this comes from the evil one.<sup>[a]</sup>

So, we shouldn't make promises or plans which we can't keep or try to move forward in directions which might seem 'godly' but aren't in God's future for us. As it says in James 4:15 - Instead, you ought to say, "If it is the Lord's will, we will live and do this or that."

Which brings me to the Church Text for the coming year. I didn't know what it was when I started writing this but I sent an email and, while I was typing, the reply came

### Hebrews 12:2

Let us keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, on whom our faith depends from beginning to end

Just what I wanted to say!



**Café Church January 28<sup>th</sup> 4.00pm**

### *Ode to a Pompon*

All things Burns

Pie & Peas, & Shortbread

Quiz & Soloist

Presentation of a Haggis!

Optional Wear – anything Tartan

Do Join Us

All ages Welcome

**Signup sheet in the Porch**

Suggested donation of £2

### Happy New Year to you all

We are planning to hold our  
**Fellowship Group at our home**

7.00pm on the following Fridays:

26th January,

16th February,

15th March & 19th April.

We will start with a meal at 7:00 pm  
followed by a Bible study

Let us know if you plan to come and  
any dietary requirements

**Sandra and Mike**



### Men's Over 50's Night out

This will be on **Monday January 15<sup>th</sup>**  
at **8pm at The Royal Oak**, Coal Aston

Everyone is welcome, come along for a  
chat and get to know each other and  
join in the quiz.

all the dates for this year are booked  
and are on the sheet in the porch.

**David Lax**



**Games Evening**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> March**  
**4.30 onwards**

Table Tennis and Board Games  
 Share a Game/Learn a Game 😊  
 Bring a plate to share  
 Dronfield Baptist Church  
**Open to All**



*You are warmly invited to another  
 exciting series of*  
***Fellowship Faith Food***  
*5 weeks of building relationship with  
 God and Neighbour*  
 Dronfield Baptist Church  
***Starting Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> January***  
*Refreshments will be served*  
 Gerhard



**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. Numbers are below:

Andy Gore  
 Gill Smith  
 Sharon Taylor  
 Richard Armstrong  
 Wendy Temple  
 Arlene Thompson

**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.