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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 31st March 2024

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9.00am

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Easter Morning Communion



10.30am

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**Easter Morning
Baptismal Service**

Bring and Share Lunch

Sunday 7th April

10.30am

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**All Age/Family
Communion**

'In Jesus we have hope'
Romans 8:26-30

6pm

Healing Prayers

Monday 1st April

Prayer Meeting 19.00 – 19.45

Tuesday 2nd April

Table Tennis 10.00 – 12.00

Daytime Faith, Food
& Fellowship 12.30 – 14.30

Joyful Noise 19.00 – 21.00

Thursday 4th April

Coffee Pot 10.30 – 13.00

Communion 11.00 – 11.30

Ukulele Club 18.30 – 19.30

Saturday 6th April

Soda 09.30 – 11.00

The
WEEK
AHEAD



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Angel Tree Craft Fair

There will be a Craft
Fair to raise money for

Angel Tree on **Saturday April
27th from 10am to 2pm** in Church.

Vicki is looking for people to bake for this
event, if you can help this way, please let
her know.

**Because of this, there will be no
Angel Tree cake sale on Sunday
April 21st**

Gospel for the week

Monday (1st April)
Mark 16 verses 1 – 8

Tuesday (2nd April):
Luke 24 verses 1 – 12

Wednesday (3rd April):
Matthew 28 verses 16 – 20

Thursday (4th April):
Luke 7 verses 11 – 17

Friday (5th April):
Luke 8 verses 41 – 56

Saturday (6th April):
John 11 verses 17 - 44

"Eat this book"

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

Favourite Hymns and Songs

Please could you put in the black box any songs you would like us to sing in Services.

"Thank you for your loving concern, Linda and I would like to thank the whole Church Family for their continuing love and support during an incredibly difficult, exhausting and fatiguing time for Linda. We really appreciate the phone calls, but are finding it hard to keep up.

Could we ask therefore that you contact us by email, Messenger or texts, as it allows Linda to manage her fatigue better and generally will make her life so much easier.

Thank you again and we look forward to being able to join you again on a Sunday as soon as possible. Don"

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**

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.

How are we doing?

Please give any feedback on church life to a member of the leadership team.



BMS BIRTHDAY SCHEME



**Happy Birthday to
Maureen, Dilys, Wendy
and John who
celebrate this week.**

Maureen, Dilys, Wendy and John all contribute to the BMS birthday scheme, which supports medical work and health ministries across the world.

If you are interested in joining this scheme, please contact Wendy Temple.



Visit to RSPB Old Moor Reserve - Thursday 11th April 2024.

As a follow up to the Get Outside for Lent series that we have looked at over the last few weeks and in particular to the last in the series about Bird and Air, the Eco Church Group are organising a visit to the RSPB Old Moor Reserve in the Dearne Valley. This is suitable for all ages and is very accessible for pushchairs and wheelchairs. There is also a children's play area. **We will meet at church at 9.30am on Thursday 11th April 2024** and travel by car to Old Moor. We will try to fill up cars so we are not taking too many. You can either bring a picnic or take advantage of the lovely cafe on site.

For more information or if you require transport contact Margaret Keen

Hospitality during my Sabbatical

My sabbatical is coming ever closer and one of the joys will be the opportunity for us to hear different preachers. Some of these preachers will be coming to us from a distance and I would like to offer them lunchtime hospitality, if they would so like. This is an opportunity for you to bless those who will seek to bless us through the words they speak. If you are able to do this, please see either myself or Chris Turk, we will be providing a full schedule, when we will be having such guests. Thanks



Church "Spring Cleaning" Day

I would like to revive an old tradition in the church and have a day dedicated to cleaning all the areas that don't get routinely cleaned on a weekly basis. Eg all the cobwebs around the ceiling in the hall and staircase and other nooks and crannies where dirt and dust accumulate. It will be on **Wednesday 3rd April starting at 9am** and continuing into the afternoon. The more the merrier and the sooner we will be finished. Come for the whole session or for an hour during the day. We have cleaning materials in church but if you want to bring some of your own as well that would be very helpful. I will put a sign-up sheet in the porch so we have an idea of who is coming. Thanks in advance for your help. Ed



Angel Tree - the figures for last year's total have been made available by Prison Fellowship. In total 96 prisons participated and 5172 gifts were sent. In 1994, the first year Angel Tree was run in the UK 60 gifts were sent. This outreach has grown because of support financially and in prayer from all those who have been a part of Angel Tree. Thank you.

The notices for **April** will be typed by Chris Harrop
chrisharrop@dronfieldbaptist.co.uk
Please send by Wednesday. Thank you.

Dronfield2gether
11th April
10.00am-2.00pm



Christian Aid is having a bookstall at this event and we would welcome books/jigsaws to sell.

Please leave in the church porch or let us know and we will collect them.

Remember the date, Thursday 11th April at Dronfield Sports Centre & Civic Centre 10.00am – 2.00pm and be sure to come along. You may learn something new or given all sorts of information that could be helpful to you or your extended family. Ray & Arlene

Thought For the Week

This is Amazing Grace! II

Last time I looked at Amazing Grace I focused on how the words of the song hit me. I didn't have the room to add where my thoughts take me when thinking about the consequence of God's Amazing Grace.

Grace can be a difficult concept to tease out the practicalities. It's often summed up as God's Riches At Christ's Expense but whilst that is absolutely true and has led to many sermons, for many it is too glib and opens up many more questions.

If I have God's Grace that means I have God's

Compassion - God is concerned about me - about you. Of the billions of Christians over the centuries God has compassion for every single unique Christian. God doesn't play or have favourites. He knows your strengths and faults and still loves you totally.

Mercy - A picture of God's mercy is often a court room with God as the judge. The crime has been identified and justice is served by the relevant sentence being passed but mercy is extended by the judge by taking the sentence himself. Our guilty sentence is passed but God has mercy on us by paying the sentence Himself.

Love - In that same court room the sentence for our sin is death. In taking the sentence upon Himself God showed His love for us by sending His own Son to

take the punishment - death. Freed from death by Jesus' death and subsequent resurrection we can have relationship with God again.

Forgiveness - God's forgiveness astounds me. His forgiveness is absolute and total. That is not a "Get out of jail free" card. It is not a licence to carry on but an opportunity to repent. Actions and choices have consequences which we have to live with even if God has forgiven us.

Attention - It still surprises me that everything I do concerns God. I'm not a favourite. God pays that same attention to each one of us. It's amazing but God is interested in every part of my life - not just the headlines.

Patience - It amazes me the patience God has with me. He knows my weaknesses - that I'm still a "work in progress" but that doesn't stop Him giving me the Holy Spirit to get the job done.

Any one of these aspects of Grace is astounding but all of them? The more I reflect on God's Amazing Grace, I'm not just amazed at God's Grace - I'm absolutely gob-smacked!

Verse for Today - "And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work." 2 Corinthians 9:8 ESV

Don Brennan