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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 7th April 2024



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10.30am

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All Age

Family Communion

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

6pm

Healing Prayers

Monday 8th April

Prayer Meeting 19.00 – 19.45

Leadership Meeting 19.00 – 21.00

Tuesday 9th April

Table Tennis 10.00 – 12.00

Joyful Noise 19.00 – 21.00

Wednesday 10th April

Art Group 13.30 – 15.30

Thursday 11th April

Coffee Pot 10.30 – 13.00

Communion 11.00 – 11.30

Ukulele Club 18.30 – 19.30

Sunday 14th April

10.30am

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'In Jesus there is now no separation'
Romans 8:31-39

4pm

Messy Church

7.30pm

Embrace

Leadership Elections



We have two people standing for the **Leadership Team Elections on Wednesday April 17th,**

David Lax as Church Secretary and Jill Lang as a Deacon.

Any Member who cannot attend and wishes to have a postal vote please see David.

Gospel for the week

Monday (8th April)
John 20 verses 1 – 10

Tuesday (9th April):
John 20 verses 11 – 18

Wednesday (10th April):
John 20 verses 19 – 31

Thursday (11th April):
John 21 verses 1 – 14

Friday (12th April):
John 21 verses 15 – 19

Saturday (13th April):
John 21 verses 20 – 25

"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.



angeltree

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

Women's Social
Monday 29th April 1pm-3pm

Have a lovely lunch, meet up with other women & get to know each other better!

The Magic Sunflower, Coal Aston, S18 3BP



Coffee Pot Help

We are going to be one, possibly two members of our team short from July onwards.

If you would like to help, it wouldn't be every week and you do not need to be a Masterchef, or actually need to cook.

Please contact Vicki Lax or call in on a Thursday morning.

BMS BIRTHDAY SCHEME



Happy Birthday! to Dilys, Wendy, John, and Chris, who celebrate birthdays. 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.

Men's Night Out



The next Men's Night Out is **Monday April 15th** at the Royal Oak, Coal Aston.

Everyone is welcome, meet at 8pm for a chat and get to know each other and then join in the quiz



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 Andy

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 **The disciples asked Jesus** **'Master teach us to pray'**

Luke 11 1-13

Jesus said 'this is how you should pray' verse 1-4, and He taught us The Lord's Prayer.

Then in the next breath Jesus goes on to tell us the story of the man who goes to his neighbour's house in the middle of the night and the neighbour sends him away.

I always thought this was rather harsh and not like God at all.

However, Jesus goes on to tell us that the neighbour, i.e. God, will answer if we are persistent.

Still a bit difficult to get my head round.

V9 says 'So I tell you keep on asking, and you will be given what you ask for.

Keep on looking and you will find what you are looking for.

Keep on knocking and the door will be open to you.

For everyone who asks, receives. Whoever seeks finds. Whoever knocks the door will be opened.

Then the best bit when Jesus tells us that if we know how to give good things to our children how much more so does God love to give us good gifts. How much more will our heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him.

We have been thinking through Lent about Unanswered prayer.

What can we learn from this passage?

Do we simply ask and not put enough effort into our prayers.

We are told in other places that we should join together to pray, that we should confess our sins to one another.

Small groups, church prayer meeting, being open and trusting with one another.

All pretty scary.

But possibly a way forward.

It takes effort to ask, it takes more effort to seek (you have to get up and go somewhere), it takes even more effort to knock (dare we go to out on a limb, be bold with our prayers).

Maybe we should be more intentioned in our joining together to pray.

The Holy Spirit came to the disciples when they were gathered together.

Master, teach us to pray.

Seek ye first the kingdom of God and all these things will be added unto you.

Gill Smith