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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 23rd June 2024

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10.30am

Revd Mike Glover

Family Service

4.00pm

Revd Simon Russell

Café Church

7.30pm

Embrace CT Youth Service

What's on this Week

Monday 24th June

Toddler Group	09.30 – 11.20
Jolt	15.30 – 17.00
Base	18.00 – 19.30
Monday Prayers	19.00
Aftershock	19.30 – 21.00

Tuesday 25th June

Table Tennis	10.00 – 12.00
Hope and Light	15.45 – 16.45
Joyful Noise	19.00 – 21.00

Wednesday 26th June

Art Group	13.30 – 15.30
J3	15.30 – 17.00
Fellowship, Faith & Food	19.00

Thursday 27th June

Coffee Pot	10.30 – 13.00
Communion	11.00 – 11.30
J2	15.30 – 17.00
Ukulele Club	18.30 – 19.30

Friday 28th June

Toddler Group	09.30 – 11.30
Open House at David and Vicki's	18.00 – 21.00

Sunday 30th June

10.30am

Mrs Zania van Schalkwyk

Family Service

The notices for **June** will be typed by
Heather
heathermachin@dronfieldbaptist.co.uk
Please send by Wednesday. Thank you.

Gospel for the week

Monday (24th June)

Luke 17 verses 20 – 37

Tuesday (25th June):

Luke 18 verses 1 – 14

Wednesday (26th June):

Luke 18 verses 15 – 30

Thursday (27th June):

Luke 18 verses 31 – 43

Friday (28th June):

Luke 19 verses 1 – 10

Saturday (29th June):

Luke 19 verses 11 – 27

"Eat this book"

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

Vicki & David's Open House

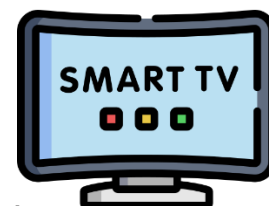
To celebrate their Golden Wedding Vicki and David are having an Open House on

Friday June 28th from 6.00pm – 9.00pm. Light Refreshments will be served



TV Donation

We are looking to put a TV in the creche. What we need is a Smart TV, so if you have one that you do not need anymore and would like to donate it to Church, please see Gerhard



Last night (Saturday 22nd June) The Sparkle Night Walk in aid of Ashgate Hospice took place.

It is not too late to donate to this amazing cause. Have a word with Wendy, Gilli, Simon, Beki or Millie. Andy, Zania's Mum, and Ukulele players Wendy and Lorraine will also have taken part.

A Sponsor Form is in the foyer of Church there are Facebook Go Fund Me Pages too. We'll take pledges, cash, cheques or BACS and your support would be grand. Use the QR code to find our Just Giving page:

Many thanks for your generosity
The Dronfield Baptist Sparkles



Women's Social
Friday 26th July 12pm-2pm

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

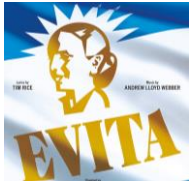
*Ferndale Coffee Shop,
Dyche Lane, S18 3BJ
Book your place by 15th July*



BMS:

Please pray for those who are settling in to new locations and roles all around the world to serve alongside our partners and that God will be raising up the right people for the right roles at the right time.

Pray that God will be prompting people's hearts to explore using their skills in cross-cultural service, be that short or long term. Do talk with Marilyn if you would like to know more about opportunities to serve the Lord overseas.



Last Call!

We are planning to enjoy an evening of entertainment on 16th October at Evita, the next production by the talented Dronfield Musical Theatre Group. If you are interested, please let me know asap as I will be ordering tickets very shortly. Gilli



Lawns at Church

For the past few years Ray Thompson and I have shared the task of mowing the church lawns. On this basis it probably averages about one cut per month each during the growing season. We have been very grateful to Ray for this service which he has now given up. Thankfully he has gifted his petrol rotary mower to the church and we are extremely grateful for that.

I now need a volunteer to share this workload with me again either fully or simply when I'm unable to do it due to holidays etc. The mower is at church and is very easy to use. If you would like to help, please let me know. Thanks in advance. Ed Tomlinson.

Urgent Help Needed.



AUDIO-VISUAL

We need someone to volunteer for the Sound Desk on Sunday 21st July morning service. If you could possibly help, please see Chris Turk or any of the AV team. Training can be given and you could sit alongside someone on any Sunday before then.

Thought for the Week

God's Gifts

About three weeks ago, I was cleaning up some plant pots in the garden. I lifted up the stack of pots, and one fell to the ground and inside sat a little baby bird. I don't know who was more surprised - the bird or me! As I watched and wondered what to do, I looked at this fluffy little creature, standing like a statue with its chest going up and down in fear. Suddenly, it popped onto the top of the plant pot and ran across the grass, before disappearing behind the bins into a crack between the two garden fences. How on earth was the mother going to find her baby? Praying that if I cleared a way for the mother to see her baby she would come and get it, I set about moving the bins and cutting part of the fence down to enable that to happen but each time I revealed what I thought was a path to freedom for the baby bird and access for the mother, the little bird would move into a deeper position, creating yet another barrier which I then had to cut away. Why could this little bird not understand that I was trying to help it? I left it alone once I could see a clear space and prayed the mother would come. I was in and out of the garden and getting quite agitated about this baby bird. Eventually after about three hours the bird had gone. I **do** like happy endings - so in my mind the mother **did** find her baby.

I tell this story, because as I was praying about what I should write about here, the picture of that little bird hiding behind things that denied freedom, made me think about the goodness of God and how he wants us to be free in Him - free in Him to serve, to walk with Him and learn of Him..... but sometimes we put up our own fences and prevent ourselves from receiving all that God has to give. He is our father and wants what is best for us. He wants us to receive the gifts He has for us – gifts that money cannot buy.

The gift of peace that can withstand the trials that life will place in our way

The gift of joy that bubbles up and cannot be contained

The gift of love that has no limits

The gift of being filled with His Holy Spirit

His Holy Spirit takes us into a deeper and closer walk with him. I ask myself the same question as I ask you, "Are there fences or barriers in your life, like the little bird, that stop God from giving you his very best?"

James 1 v 17 reads: "Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows"

Moyra Cameron



BMS boxes half yearly count

Thank you, all box holders! Please can you leave your boxes on the back window sill of church, next to our library, or give them directly to Marilyn **by Sunday 7th July**? Bless you all for your giving!

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 either of the following so that the message can be passed on to prayer chain members.

Alison Bygrave

Gill Smith

Hymns and Songs:

Our Worship Band would like to hear of any songs that are particularly meaningful to you and could be included in our Sunday Worship. Please put any requests in the black box in the porch.



Offering:

If you prefer to use a card for today's offering, you can use the card payment machine.



How are we doing?: Please give any feedback on church life to a member of the leadership team.