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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 11<sup>th</sup> August 2024

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**10.30am**

**Mrs Zania van Schalkwyk**

**All Age Holiday Club Service**

**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> August**

**10.30am**

**Revd. Andy Gore**

**All Age Service**

**Godly Play Session**

*What's on this*  
**Week**

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> August**

Monday Prayers 19.00 – 19.45

**Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> August**

Table Tennis 10.00 – 12.00

Joyful Noise 19.00 – 21.00

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> August**

Coffee Pot 10.30 – 12.00

Communion 11.00

Ukulele Club 18.30 – 19.30



There aren't any Sunday morning children or young people groups over August and I know how hard it is trying to keep kids entertained for a whole service.

On **Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> August** I will be running a Godly Play session for any children or young people that want to join in and experience a Godly Play session.

Anna

The notices for **August** will be typed by  
**Chris Harrop**  
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Please send by Wednesday. Thank you.

## Allen Lighton

### **Gospel for the week**

Monday (12th August):  
Mark 5 verses 1 – 20

Tuesday (13th August):  
Mark 5 verses 21 – 34

Wednesday (14th August):  
Mark 5 verses 35 – 43

Thursday (15th August):  
Mark 6 verses 1 – 13

Friday (16th August):  
Mark 6 verses 14 – 29

Saturday (17th August):  
Mark 6 verses 30 – 44

### **“Eat this book”**

“What do you think Luke is saying to you today?”

### **Summer Coffee Pot**



The usual team are taking a summer break. Gill and Sharon will keep coffee pot open through the summer with drinks, cake and savoury snacks, no light

lunches, opening hours 10.30 to 12 noon.

If you are able to bake for us, we will be very grateful.

Please let us know, our contact numbers are in the pastoral section.

Thanks so much Gill and Sharon x

There will be a service at **St John the Baptist Church Dronfield** on **Monday 19th August at 11:00am**, this will be followed by the committal at Brimington Crematorium, Chesterfield at 12:10pm. And afterwards, 12.30pm onwards there will be a buffet in the Manor Hotel, Dronfield, before this time tea and coffee will be served.

Michael, Allen's nephew would love to see all who knew him, as we give thanks for his life and commit him into Jesus' loving hands.

### **Replacement Coffee Machine**



It is hoped to replace the current Coffee Machine this Autumn.

Gifts and pledges have been coming in nicely and we are almost there. Thank you.

Decaf Coffee will be an option.

The new coffee machine selected will be at this stage contactless/card only, that is, no cash.

Please let Ron, Marilyn, Gilli or Steve know if this may be an issue for you.

Ron Fenn on behalf of the Coffee Machine Team.



**If you would like some plums**, please bring a bag on Sunday and help yourself. Christine Sleath.

## 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.

### **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, a card payment machine is available.

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



across the world.



**Happy Birthday** to Shirley who celebrates her birthday this week, Shirley contributes to the **BMS Birthday Scheme**, which supports medical work and health ministries

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



**Thank you to all who sponsored the sterling walkers of the Ashgate Sparkle Walk.**

A staggering sum of £1365 has been raised by all those under the Dronfield Baptist Team. That's down to folk, you, who give so generously. A huge thank you. We're all signing up again for next year - come and join us!

Gilli & Andy, Beki & Millie, Simon & Wendy, Uke players Wendy, Lorraine, Catherine, and Malcolm.

**Christian Aid** has been active in the churches in Dronfield since 1967 but is now facing difficulties as the committee is losing members. We would like to continue with



committee representatives from all the churches in Dronfield and district and would be delighted to share with any members who would like more details with a desire to become more involved.

The next meeting of the group will be on **Monday 30 September at 2.00pm** here, at DBC. Please feel free to join us to learn more. The annual book sale for this year at least will still take place on **Saturday 5 October**. Ray and Arlene Thompson

**SODA:** As part of our ongoing outreach to families we run SODA; School's Out, Dads About. SODA is on the first Saturday of the month and it is designed to provide the next step for dads who used to go to 'Who let the Dads Out?', a toddler group for Dads and Grandads run by Ed, but who can no longer go as their children are now at school. SODA has been run very well by Paul Taylor and Pete Casson and they have stepped down from leading it and we are looking to expand the team to continue this way

of keeping in touch with these dads. We need people to help with cooking as well as just chatting with the dads who are a great bunch of blokes. If you are able to help, please see me or Matt Pocock.

Thanks, Andy

## Don't grow weary in doing good

Gal 6:9-10 Amplified *"Let us not grow weary or become discouraged in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap, if we do not give in. So then while we (as individual believers) have the opportunity, let us do good to all people (not only being helpful, but also doing that which promotes their spiritual well-being), and especially {be a blessing} to those of the household of faith(born-again) believers)"*

When I read this scripture, I thought to myself, "What is doing good?" Gal 5:19-21 lists the works of sinful nature and Gal 5: 23-24 lists the fruit of the spirit which I believe is the "doing good" we should not get weary of. The Amplified version puts it clearly *Gal 5:23-24"But the fruit of the Spirit [the result of His presence within us] is love [unselfish concern for others], joy, [inner] peace, patience [not the ability to wait, but how we act while waiting], kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Against such things there is no law."*

Frankly in life we can get tired of doing these things as it's not always easy to do good. It's not always easy to feel the "joy" in serving when you are physically tired and juggling a lot of things, ill health, the illness of a family member, a wayward child, financial worries, relationship difficulties, waiting on an answer to prayer and so on.

As I was writing this piece, conscious that I had to send it in soon for it to be added to the bulletin, I had someone arrive at my house needing urgent help with something. I had to put aside what I was doing and the plans I had for my evening and help them with this form. It took over 2 and a half hours before we could submit it. The person was so grateful for my help. I had to ask myself afterwards, did I help with joy and was I patient with them?

Sometimes when you are doing your best to "do good" serving believers and you come against obstacles like criticism, ungratefulness, backbiting, murmuring, tired from the long hours you put in, it's easy to feel discouraged and want to give up or step back. At these times we still need to push through. 1 Cor 9:24 *"Let us run with endurance the race that is set before us"*

How do we push through and do good when we feel discouraged and weary? The answer is found in the Gal 5:23 *"But the fruit of the Spirit [the result of His presence within us]"*. We need God's presence in our lives to run the race, to do good and not grow weary. Of our own strength, we cannot do it. We need the help of God; we need His strength to press through the hard times that make us weary. Phil 4:13 *"I can do all things [which He has called me to do] through Him who strengthens and empowers me"*. When we go through season of tiredness let us go to the Lord Matt 11:28-30 *"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest"*. I pray that we have a week resting in the Lord and trusting Him to give us the strength to carry on. The times of refreshing come from the presence of the Lord, Acts 3:20. Temby