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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 18th August 2024

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10.30am
Revd. Andy Gore

**All Age, or experience a
Godly Play Session**

Sunday 25th August

10.30am

Mr Don Brennan

All Age Service

4pm

Café Church

Norman Crowson

What's on this
Week

Monday 19th August

Monday Prayers 19.00 – 19.45

Tuesday 20th August

Table Tennis 10.00 – 12.00

Joyful Noise 19.00 – 21.00

Thursday 21st August

Coffee Pot 10.30 – 12.00

Communion 11.00

Ukulele Club 18.30 – 19.30

Friday 23rd August

Toddler Group 09.30 – 11.30



Today there will be 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
chrisharrop@dronfieldbaptist.co.uk
Please send by Wednesday. Thank you.

Gospel for the week

Monday (19th August)
Mark 6 verses 45 – 56

Tuesday (20th August):
Mark 7 verses 1 – 13

Wednesday (21st August):
Mark 7 verses 14 – 23

Thursday (22nd August):
Mark 7 verses 24 – 30

Friday (23rd August):
Mark 7 verses 31 – 37

Saturday (24th August):
Mark 8 verses 1 – 10

"Eat this book"

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

Outing to Poolsbrook Country Park. Wednesday 28th August.

Meet at Poolsbrook by the front of the cafe overlooking the lake from 10.30am.

There will be the opportunity to go on a short nature walk.

There is a children's play area, cafe and toilets. Come for the morning or the day. Bring a picnic or buy some lunch at the cafe.

For more information contact Margaret

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. Thanks so much Gill and Sharon x

Allen Lighton

There will be a service at **St John the Baptist Church, Dronfield** tomorrow, **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.

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:

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.



We are currently supporting Oxfam with our used stamps.

Thank you to all those who have given stamps, especially when they are beautifully neatly trimmed, which many have been. It is much appreciated.

Please continue saving them.

Jessica's Story



"Good night, Daddy. I love you."

Jessica spoke to the Christmas card written by her father that was stuck to the wall by her bed. The card had arrived at Christmas, together with a teddy bear that the two year-old named Barnaby. They were both precious to her, particularly as Daddy had not been home for a while.

Jessica is one of around 200,000 children in England and Wales affected by parental imprisonment every year — more than double the number impacted by divorce in their family.

At this time of year, it's a privilege to bring joy to children like Jessica through **Angel Tree**. It enables prisoners to improve family relationships by sending a purchased, wrapped gift to their children at Christmas. Children are overjoyed to receive a gift from their parent — and the chances of their parents reoffending are reduced.

Jessica also liked to read the Christian storybook that prisoners can choose to have included in the *Angel Tree* package — hers was a picture book illustrating the things that God has given us. But the most important thing was that her Daddy sent her a Christmas card.



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

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 now 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

Thought for the Week

No more Compromise

Romans 8:37

"Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us."

In the world and circumstances that we live in it is so easy to be tempted to compromise. But the hour is late and the time for sleeping and slumbering has passed. It is now the time to put on the full armour of God (Ephesians 6) and stand firm in truth and righteousness as we are in the middle of a full raging battle.

"Not by might nor by power but by my Spirit says the Lord". (Zechariah 4:6) This is how we will be victorious! It is useless to try and outsmart the enemy by fleshly strategy. We can only stay standing in the strength of our Lord Jesus Christ.

We cannot afford to compromise anymore. That is the quickest way to be defeated by the enemy. The name and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ is a strong tower of protection and salvation. In the name of Jesus, we have the victory! We can be bold and strong because we know we are up against an already defeated foe.

So, we can confidently move, not doubting, not retreating, and definitely not compromising with the enemy! Let us stand firm and claim our victory because through our faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, it is already ours.

Take some time this week to come before our Lord and reflect on the areas you still compromise in. Bring these to the Lord in prayer. Zania