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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 22nd September 2024

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10.30am
Rev Andy Gore



4.00pm
Café Church with Christian Aid
Feast or Famine
Are you willing to come and take your chance?!

7.30pm
Embrace

Sunday 29th September

11.00am
The Dronfield Civic Service
Held in the Civic Hall
A time to celebrate with the many voices of our town



Monday 23rd September

Toddler Group	09.30 – 11.30
Christian Aid Meet	14.00
Jolt	15.30 – 17.00
Monday Prayers	19.00 – 19.45
Base	18.00 – 19.30
Aftershock	19.30 – 21.00

Tuesday 24th September

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

Wednesday 25th September

Art Group	13.30 – 15.30
J3	15.30 – 17.00

Thursday 26th September

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

Friday 27th September

Toddler Group	09.30 – 11.30
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Saturday 28th September

Extraordinary Women	10.30 – 12.00
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Gospel for the Week

Monday 23rd September:
Mark 14 verses 1 - 11

Tuesday 24th September:
Mark 14 verses 12 - 25

Wednesday 25th September:
Mark 14 verse 26 - 42

Thursday 26th September:
Mark 14 verses 43 - 52

Friday 27th September:
Mark 14 verses 53 - 65

Saturday 28th September:
Mark 14 verses 66 - 72

"Eat this book"

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

Coffee Pot: On Thursday, after their summer break, the team are back to the normal time of **10.30am to 1.00pm.**

Lunches served from 11.30am



Advance Notice:
There will be no morning service here on **Sunday 29th September.**

Instead, we will be joining with members of other Dronfield Church congregations, the Town Council and members of the community at the **Civic Service in the Civic Hall starting at 11.00am.**



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:

Gill Smith
Sharon Taylor
Richard Armstrong
Wendy Temple
Arlene Thompson

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, a card payment machine is available.

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

SUMMER COFFEE POT



Many thanks to all who supported us through the summer, we have donated £150 to Motor Neurone Research, Pam Wass and Family are very grateful.

Also £125.65 to Angel Tree.

Chris Harrop,

Sharon Taylor, and Gill Smith.

Ed Note: We would also like to thank the team for giving of their time and expertise over the summer providing a space to meet over a cuppa and delish cakes.



Café Church:

Christian Aid will be sharing with us on 22nd September at 4.00pm.

We will be having a Feast or a Famine – Are you coming along to take your chance? Will you have a Golden Feast Ticket or a Famine Ticket? Come and See how God is at work through Christian Aid over a cup of soup – or will you have cake too?!
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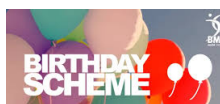


In October we will be delighted to welcome David & Vicky Lax. They will be sharing their adventures on the Orient Express.

BMS Birthdays



Happy Birthday to Janis Armstrong on the 26th, **Mike Herman** on the 28th and **Alison Simpson** on the 29th of September. Thank you for choosing to be a blessing to others on your Special Day.



Christian Aid



On **Saturday 5th October** Christian Aid are holding their **Annual Book Sale** in the **Civic Hall from 10am to 12 noon**. Any spare paper backed novels would be welcome. Also, jigsaws, and children's books. No DVDs or CDs please.

Items can be left in the church porch or in the foyer of the Council Offices the week previous to the sale. We are away on holiday from 11 September for a week but for more information speak to Arlene or Ray Thompson on 01246 498526 or leave a message and we will get back to you.

Following on from our previous notice, we are still very short of volunteers on the local Committee and are holding our next meeting here at DBC on Monday 30 September at 2.00pm for anyone who would like to help in any way.

Thank you.

Communion at The Green Care Home



We, with other churches in our town, have been asked if we can lead a monthly time of worship at The Green. This did happen before Covid and lockdown but with those restrictions it stopped, and we have an opportunity to start again. I am leading a harvest service this coming Friday, the 27th September, at 11:00am.

It would be really good if others from the church would be able to help me. This is something which at the moment could possibly be once every three months. Please see me on Sunday or give me a call if you are able to assist. Details are still being finalised.

Thank you, Andy

The notices for **September and October** will be typed by **Gilli**:
Please send by Wednesday. Thank you.

Friday Night Fellowship

Friday Night Fellowship starts at **7pm** with a sit-down meal followed by a Bible study. You can stay as long as you want but we normally finish by 10 pm. This term we will continue with different biblical characters.

Please let us know if you can come and dietary requirements. You will be made very welcome.

The dates are:-

Friday Sept. 27th

Fri. Oct. 18th

Fri. Nov. 22nd

Fri. Dec.13th

Sandra and Mike Herman

Thought for the Week

The Fellowship of the Believers –
discipleship.

42 They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.

This verse has been referred to as highlighting the three Ships of the Christian life, Discipleship, Fellowship and Worship. I like that. As a young Christian, I was part of a group for whom discipleship was the most crucial thing. Jesus called us to be disciples and to make disciples (Matthew 28:19 & 20). This was a university group and therefore fairly academic in its approach but also very practical in training people how to go out and evangelise. There was a lot of teaching from the Bible (literally hours) and a lot of being sent out to

witnessing the Hall of Residence and beyond.

We were encouraged to learn Bible verses by heart, to read and study the word of God, to pray, to evangelize, to grow in grace and knowledge, to be disciples. All these things were, rightly seen as the basics of the Christian life. A disciple is defined as someone who learns and who takes someone else as his teacher and model, from the Latin verb *discere*, to learn.

In today's world, the underlying assumption is that we know everything or can find it on Google, if we aren't sure. And the idea of starting a new way of life with discipleship classes is kind of alien. However, some of the things I learnt all those years ago have stayed with me and really helped me. We used a book called 'Beginning with Christ', which dealt with key issues like the basics of salvation and the Christian life, covering topics like assurance of salvation, answered prayer, victory over sin, forgiveness, and guidance. Once we had gained confidence in these areas, we were asked to lead groups of new Christians, studying the same booklet and thereby solidifying those topics in our own minds too. I'm not sure the booklet is still in print now, but it was a very useful tool. I'm sure there are more modern ones which would serve the same purpose. As Paul the Apostle, who was a teacher and model, said in Philippians 4:9

Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me or seen in me—put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with **you**.

Alison