

Engaging deeper with Jesus Enabling all to meet Jesus Enriching our Community

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2025 Church Text: I pray that you, being rooted and firmly established in love, may be able to comprehend with all the saints what is the length and width, height and depth of God's Love. Ephesians 3 v17 & 18

Sunday 31st August 2025

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10.30am

Churches Together Joint Worship

St John the Baptist's Church Church Street

Sunday 7th September

10.30am

Mrs Zania van Schalkwyk All Age Communion

> 6pm Healing Prayers

Monday 1st September

Monday Prayers 19.00 – 19.45

Leadership Meeting 19.00

Tuesday 2nd September

Table Tennis 10.00 – 12.00 Joyful Noise 19.00 – 21.00

Thursday 4th September

Coffee Pot 10.30 - 12.00

Communion 11.00

Ukulele Group 18.30 – 19.30

Friday 5th September

Beginner's Ukulele 14.15 – 15.00

Saturday 6th September

SODA 09.30 – 11.30

The Notices for next week will be typed by **Chris Harrop**, chrisharrop@dronfieldbaptist.co.uk
The Notices for the rest of September and October will be typed

by **Gilli**

Please send by Wednesday. Thank

Have you a space in your car?

We are very grateful to everyone who gives lifts to people to come to church

on a Sunday morning. I know that through your kindness people's lives are blessed beyond measure. At this moment there is no formal structure or rota for organising lifts apart from people giving impromptu offers or being asked on an individual basis. I know that this has worked very well but at the same time on behalf of the pastoral team we would like to make a number of proposals:

1 We would like someone to be willing to act as lift coordinator to ensure that there are enough lifts for those who need them.

2 We would like to ask everyone who drives if they would be willing to offer a lift which does not need to be every week.

3 We would like to know who are those who need a lift.

If you able to help with this please see either myself or Gill Smith.
Thanks, Andy



Men's Night Out

The next Men's Night Out is on Monday September 8th at The Royal Oak, Coal Aston

We meet at 8 pm for a chat and then join in the guiz. Everyone welcome

Christian Aid Book sale
4 October 2025

Just a gentle reminder of the above so that books you no longer require can be donated to us. Jigsaws are very popular too.

No hard backed books please, unless they are recent ones. No Christian text ones, CDs or DVDs please. Items should be in good condition.

We look forward to seeing you at this event too to refresh your library and sample coffee, tea and homemade cakes. This is the biggest item of the year for Christian Aid locally, so please donate generously. There is so much need in the world at present.

Ray Thompson.

Coffee Pot and Thursday Morning Communion

> Coffee Pot and Light Lunches need to evolve so that we can still provide

friendship and faith on a Thursday morning.

If you feel you are able to contribute to this in the future, whether as a team leader, member or a baker at home, please contact me so this important outreach carries on.

We are proposing different teams each week, so that the commitment will only be once a month or possibly less. Please contact Andy, Gill or Marilyn.

Thought for the Week

My 'old fashioned' word for this month is Humility. In our current society, it seems more important to be assertive, or self-confident, or courageous than to be humble, although I was surprised and pleased that, when I did an internet search for admirable qualities, humility still featured in many lists. A dictionary definition of humility is 'the quality of having a modest or low view of one's importance, being able to accept that another's way may be better"

What does Jesus say about humility? "Clothe yourselves, all of you, with humility toward one another" (1 Peter 5:5). And his apostles too say, "Humble yourselves" (James 4:10; 1 Peter 5:6). But what does it mean? Firstly, we need to remember Micah 6:8, 'And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.

So practising humility starts with remembering God's command that we remember who's in charge—and praise Him! It's hard to keep things in perspective if we don't remember who is Lord! Then we should pray for a humble heart and pay more attention to our own faults than to the flaws of others. We shouldn't hide behind our dignity—it's pride's favourite hiding place. Remembering the Pharisee who showed off that he was praying we should try not to watch ourselves worship and we should serve others. (I must give credit here to Elizabeth Peale Allen, for her very helpful 6 Steps to Walking Humbly with God - Guideposts on the Guideposts blog).

As I was thinking about this topic, I was very struck by a thought for the day

written by Eddie Askew in his book, Slower than Butterflies. He recalled how, when he was in hospital, everyone came in, the nurse, the sister, the surgeon, his wife, his minister, other friends, and they all asked how he was. That was nice but he came to realise that it all encouraged him to concentrate on himself. Every conversation and everything that happened seemed to revolve around him. So, he began to try and be the first to speak when anyone came in and to ask them how they were, rather than thinking only about himself.

Philippians 4:3-4. In humility value others above yourselves. Each of you should look not only to your own interests but to the interests of the others. Alison Bygrave

Letter of the Week

Monday 1st September Acts 6: 1 - 15

Tuesday 2nd September Acts 7:1-16

Wednesday 3rd September Acts 7: 17 - 43

Thursday 4th September Acts 7: 44 - 53

Friday 5th September Acts 7:54-8:3

Saturday 6th September Acts 8: 4 - 25

What do you think Luke is saying to you this week?

Church Freezer:

The beginning of September will see the first three months of naming and dating produce in the church



freezer. There has been a fabulous effort by those using this facility, thank you. We have some products currently in the freezer, that have not been named or dated.

Please use, name or remove soon!

Many thanks Gilli

National week of prayer.

We are once again opening up our prayer room to coincide with World Prayer Centre's national week of prayer in September. https://worldprayer.org.uk/resources/national-week-of-prayer-6-14-september/

We are asking for everyone to sign up for their chosen slot between 8am and 8pm on Thursday 11th, Friday 12th and Saturday 13th September.

Like last time, there will also be a separate sign up sheet for those who want to pray at home or elsewhere. PLEASE make sure you sign up on the correct sheet to avoid confusion. Many thanks.

Tricia and Margaret.