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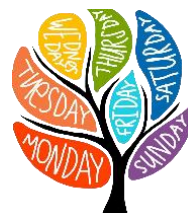
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2025 Church Text: I pray that you, being rooted and firmly established in love, may be able to comprehend with all the saints what is the length and width, height and depth of God's Love. Ephesians 3 v17 & 18

Sunday 16th November 2025



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10.30am

Revd Simon Russell

**All-Age
Worship**



Sunday 23rd November

10.30am

Revd Alex Harris (YBA)

Family Worship

4.00pm

Café Church

Mr David Lax

*A trip around the National Memorial
Arboretum*

7.30pm

Youth Alpha @ Embrace

*"What does a relationship with God look
like?"*

Monday 17th November

Toddler Group	09.30 – 11.30
Jolt	15.30 – 17.00
Monday Prayers	19.00 – 19.45
J4	19.00 – 21.30

Tuesday 18th November

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

Wednesday 19th November

J3	15.30 – 17.00
Church Meeting	19.00

Thursday 20th November

Coffee Pot	10.30 – 12.00
Communion	11.00
J2	15.30 – 17.00
Ukulele Group	18.30 – 19.30

Friday 21st November

Toddler Group	09.30 – 11.30
Beginner's Ukulele	14.15 – 15.00

Saturday 22nd November

Extraordinary Women	10.30 – 12.00
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Letter of the week

"Eat this book"

Monday (17th November)

Revelation 10 verses 1 – 11

Tuesday (18th November):

Revelation 11 verses 1 – 14

Wednesday (19th November):

Revelation 11 verses 15 – 19

Thursday (20th November):

Revelation 12 verses 1 – 17

Friday (21st November):

Revelation 13 verses 1 – 10

Saturday (22nd November):

Revelation 13 verses 11 – 18

"What do you think Jesus is saying today to you through John?"

Church Fellowship Meeting

Wednesday at 7.00pm.



The meeting is open to all those who worship at DBC.

No nominations were received for elder/deacon trustee



Fellowship Address Book

Individually named copies of the new address book will be available in the porch on Sunday morning.

If you have a copy of the old address book please dispose of it securely, preferably shredded.

Do you have access to a shredder? Can you offer to shred extra copies for those unable to shred? Please let Heather know if you can help.



Today (16th November)



Bring your own packed lunch and a game (optional) and play!

The Snooker Table and Table Tennis will be available too.



**Saturday 22nd November
10.30am - 12noon**



**Guest Speaker
Sam Graham**

"Are all your rooms available to Jesus?"

Next Date: 24th January 2026



As you are aware Zania is leaving her position with DBC, we would like to mark this with a gift. Therefore, if you would like to give towards this then please place any gift in an envelope marked ZVS and place in the offering bag or hand in to Temby or Simon R.

The notices for November/December will be typed by Heather Machin
heathermachin@dronfieldbaptist.co.uk
Please send by Wednesday. Thank you.



Angel Tree

A huge thank you to all who have offered to fund gifts and postage costs for the children who have a parent in prison this Christmas. Your generosity is outstanding, encouraging, and humbling. We are sorry that some of you are still waiting to be matched with a child. We hear from the Chaplains that this slow take up from the parents in prison may be due to the government's early release programme, shorter sentences, restrictions on child contact and all the uncertainty this brings. We are hoping that many more names will still come through but it is possible that sadly, not all of us will have a child to buy for this year.

Please be assured that your love and prayers for the Angel Tree venture and all of Prison Fellowship's engagement with HMPPS is hugely valued as a contribution towards keeping families together and to a reduction in the number of parents re-offending.

Copies of the Prison Fellowship's November prayer diary are in the porch for you.

Many thanks again for your care and patience. Marilyn and Chris

Mike and Hellie Coates are playing a 1- hour set, guitar and flute, on Sunday 23rd November 2.30 - 3.30pm at the Crooked Spire Christmas Tree Festival (120 Christmas Tree's) a mixture of Christmas and traditional music.

It would be lovely to see some friendly faces.

Mike and Hellie



Update on Coffee Pot

The new style coffee pot on Thursday mornings has got off to a great start.



We contributed to church funds £218 in September (4 Thursdays) and £387 in October (5 Thursdays).

Lots of visitors staying to chat, both new friends and not so new. Huge thanks to all who organise, help and contribute.

If you would like to be part of this ministry please speak to Marilyn Fenn or Gill Smith



The Mystery of Christmas

Wednesday 3rd December

be seated for a 7.00pm start, finishing at 8.00pm

Come with an open mind to a Godly Play session engaging with Advent in a different way.

Take time out from the busyness to pause, see & hear a Godly Play story, respond and reflect.

BabyBel Recycling.

Unfortunately, the BabyBel recycling scheme is closing.



Please DO NOT put any more BabyBel wrapping in the bin in the porch.

Sorry but at the moment they will have to be put into general rubbish. I will look into what else we can recycle. **Also, the pen and felt tip scheme closed some time ago so again please don't put anything in the bin that was for those.** Thanks for your support for these schemes in the past. Margaret Keen.

Gift Service - Lilies Clothes Bank

In previous years as part of the Gift Service, along with Angel Tree and the Lighthouse Project, we have donated items to the Genesis project.



This project is no more and we are replacing it with Lilies Clothes Bank which is at the Meadowhead Christian Fellowship at Jordanthorpe.

They supply Clothing, Coats and Footwear for men, women, children and babies to those who need it. The items must be in good condition and clean.

It would give the chance for people in Church to look through their clothes and see if they have any unwanted items.

If not, people could buy for about £5 or less items from Poundstretcher in the Civic such as woolly hats, gloves or socks,

Alternatively, people could go into the Charity Shops in the Civic to buy some clothes at a small price therefore helping two places for the price of one.

David Lax



Thursday 27th November 4-5pm.

Kids session in the prayer room for reception - Y6.

Activities to engage them with talking to God in a fun, creative way with some refreshments.

Older kids welcome to help go around the different stations with younger ones.



Dronfield Friends

will host a Christmas Lunch for anyone not looking forward to Christmas Day on their own (singles or couples). **Lunch with entertainment will be provided for up to 50 people at Coal Aston Village Hall.**

Time to be confirmed, transport can be arranged.

Thought for the Week

Over the last few Sundays, we've been hearing and learning more about the armour of God, as Paul speaks about it in Ephesians 6 vs10-20. During this time 'the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God' (v17) has been the part that's been on my mind.

A sword is a weapon of attack. God gives it to us to help us to withstand the attacks of Satan, and to fight back. So, how do we use this sword that God has given us? Well, as Paul says, the sword of the Spirit is the word of God, that is, the Bible. In order to be able to use this sword, we need to read it, think about it, and memorise some of it. That can sound a very big thing to do, especially if Bible reading is a fairly new thing to you, so I have a couple of suggestions that have helped me.

Firstly, as some will know already, you don't have to start reading at page 1 and carry on to the end! There are lots of ways you can get some help and support. How about a Bible app that automatically brings up a verse each day on your phone? My Bible app will 'read' to me too,

so I can listen to it instead of reading.
Maybe that suits you?

As for memorising, start with a verse that helps you. When I was a child, the first verse(s) I was given to learn at Sunday School was Proverbs 3 vs5-6.

'Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.'

My parents thought it was a long verse for a 6-year-old, but they helped me to learn it, and it's stayed with me ever since. It reminds me to trust God, not try to rely on myself. It helps me at times when I worry about what lies ahead. A more recent addition is Micah 7 v8.

'Do not gloat over me, my enemy!
Though I have fallen, I will rise. Though I sit in darkness, the Lord will be my light'

This speaks to me in different situations. Maybe Satan tries to tell you that you're not good enough for God to bother about you. You've failed again. Or maybe your 'darkness' is because of illness or depression or something that you're going through. Someone gave me the last part of this verse after Iain, my husband, died and it's stayed with me.

Do you start to see how you can use this sword that God has given us? Please ask someone if you'd like some help or support. Don't leave your sword in its scabbard!

Alison Simpson