



Welcome to SANDOWN BAPTIST CHURCH

Our Vision is to . . .
Reach others with Christ's love as we learn to follow Him

SUNDAY 14th MAY 2017

10.30 am Morning Worship

Worship Leader: Rev. Ian Lovell

Preacher: Rev. Ian Lovell

Theme: Tell The Good News ~
Living On The Edge

Reading: Acts 18 v. 18 – 28

We give a warm welcome to everyone who has joined us today, especially if you are new here or are just visiting us for the day.

If you are visiting then please take the opportunity to sign our visitor's book before you leave today. If you are new to the church and wish to find out more of what we do here, then please make yourself known to our Minister or one of the Welcome Team.

Please stay seated throughout the service if you prefer. Refreshments are served at the end of the service in the vestibule and you are very welcome to stay and fellowship with us.

During the morning service children and young people will be invited to go out to their groups. To join a group for your age, please follow them out and one of the leaders will show you where to go.

Our Church Text for 2017

. . . . The Lord who created you says:

'Do not be afraid, for I have ransomed you.
I have called you by name; you are mine.'

Isaiah 43 v. 1

CHURCH ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday 15th May

Play & Praise Toddler Group 9.30am - 11.00am

Tuesday 16th May

Prayer Meeting 10.00am - 11.00am

Men United 7.00pm – 9.00pm

(Games Night At The Church)

Wednesday 17th May

Coffee & Bible Study 10.00am - 11.45am

We will be looking at Luke 9 v. 23 – 27, 12 v. 22 – 34 ~ Self – Understanding & Self – Giving

S.O.C. (Sandown Outreach Club) 4.15pm - 5.15pm (ages 5 – 7)
5.30pm - 6.30pm (ages 8 – 11)

Thursday 18th May

Corporate Church Prayer Meeting 7.30pm

Friday 19th May

Noah's Ark Toddler Group 9.30am - 11.30am

Sunday 21st May

Morning Worship 10.30am

(Lin Plummer Leading Worship & Rev. Ian Lovell Preaching)

CHURCH FINANCES FOR 7th MAY 2017

Budgeted offerings needed (incl. Gift Aid) for the month of May =
£3,618.33

Cumulative offering for May = **£748.89**

Gift Aid still to be claimed for May = £147.22

SHORTFALL from budgeted offerings for the month of May = **£2,722.22**
(Shortfall is determined by Gift Aid still to be claimed)

A gentle reminder to all those who use the church.

Please can you make sure that all the rubbish that you throw out is placed in the right bins. It would be helpful if you are unsure of which bin to use that you speak to Jill Rodgers.

Thank you.

Many Thanks Today Goes To . . .

Serving Tea & Coffee today are . . .
Elaine Carrington

Flowers today were provided by . . .

Our Stewards today have been . . .
Paula Bashford & Rene Duff

BMS BIRTHDAY SCHEME FOR MAY 2017



19th May
David Lambert

BUGB PRESIDENT'S VISIT

Rev. Dianne Tidball who is the newly appointed President of BUGB will be visiting the Isle Of Wight over the weekend of **20th & 21st May**. Her theme for her Presidential year is **'As it is in Heaven, glimpses of the Kingdom on earth.'**

All the Baptist churches on the Island are invited to **Castlehold Baptist Church on Sunday 21st May at 4.00pm** when Dianne will be sharing about her theme and will be engaging in a debate with Rev. Adrian Redfearn (Minister at Castlehold) on **'how and whether the label 'Baptist' helps or hinders the mission of God's people.'**

If you would like to know any more information then please speak to our Pastor Ian.

George Hitchman

The funeral service to celebrate George's life will be held at the church on **Monday 22nd May at 2.00pm**. This will be followed by burial at **Springwood Burial**

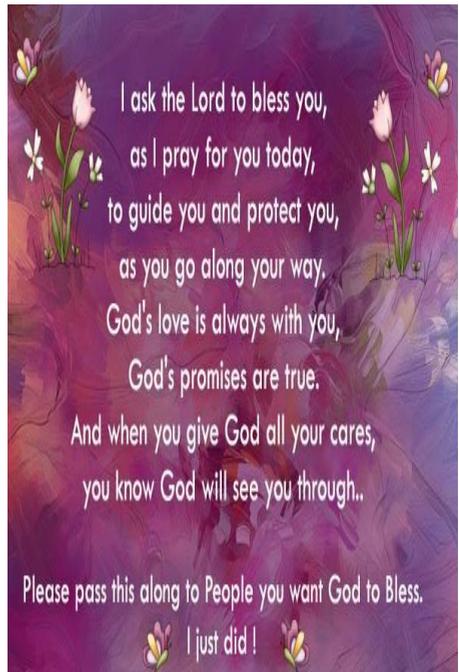
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Refreshments will be available in the back hall when all those who have been to the internment at the graveside return to the church.

Please continue to pray for
Lorraine and the family.

BAPTISM & CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

Has God been challenging you about your walk with Him. then maybe Baptism is for you. If you would like to know more about being baptised or have been thinking about becoming a church member then why not speak to our Pastor Ian, he would love to speak to you.



AN ENCOUNTER WITH GOD

ISAIAH 6 v. 1

Isaiah describes a life-changing encounter he had with God at the start of his ministry: '...I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lifted up...Above it stood seraphim...And one cried to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of His glory!" And the posts of the door were shaken by the voice of Him who cried out, and the house was filled with smoke. So I said: "Woe is me, for I am undone! Because I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King"...Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a live coal...from the altar. And he touched my mouth with it, and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your iniquity is taken away, and your sin purged." Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying: "Whom shall I send, and who will go for Us?" Then I said, "Here am I. Send me!" And He said, "Go, and tell this people"...' (**Isaiah 6 v. 1 - 9 NKJV**).

An encounter with God always brings three things: 1) A sense of His holiness and our lowliness. 2) An acknowledgment of our inadequacy. 3) Humility, and a hunger for more of Him.

The wear and tear of daily life dulls the sharp edge of our spiritual sensibilities. And measuring our holiness by those around us just lulls us into thinking we're living a committed life when we're not. So God calls us to an encounter with Him to cleanse us, empower us, and send us out to fulfil His purposes.

PRAYERS POINTERS

- Pray for those of our fellowship who are still unwell at this time.
- Please pray for the staff, pupils and parents of Sandown Bay Academy.
- Pray for the future of our fellowship here at Sandown. Pray for our Pastor Ian as he leads us, and continue to pray for the various activities that go on during the week.
- Pray for those who are feeling lonely and afraid at the present time.
- Give thanks to God for the continuing growth of the children's work within the church.
- Pray for all those who have been elected in the recent council votes.

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