

# CHURCH ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK AHEAD

## Monday 5th March

Play & Praise Toddler Group 9.30am - 11.00am

## Tuesday 6th March

Prayer Meeting 10.00am - 11.00am

## Wednesday 7th March

Coffee & Bible Study 10.00am – 11.45am

**We will be looking at Ezekiel 37 v. 1 – 14 ~ New Breath For Old Bones**

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

## Thursday 8th March

Housegroups 7.30pm

## Friday 9th March

Noah's Ark Toddler Group 9.30am - 11.30am

## Sunday 11th March

Morning Worship 10.30am

**(Rev. Ian Lovell will be leading the service today. Today is Mothering Sunday)**

## Many Thanks Today Goes To...

Serving Tea & Coffee today are . . .

**Paula Bashford & Michelle Moore**

Flowers today were provided by . . .

Our Stewards today have been . . .

**Hillary Lambert & Rene Duff**

## FELLOWSHIP LUNCH

We will be sharing today in our monthly Fellowship Lunch which is **Meatball Stew & Crusty Bread**. If you are able to stay and share together, then please do.



## BMS BIRTHDAY SCHEME FOR MARCH 2018



11th March  
Anita Cole

Even when we don't  
sense God's presence,  
*His loving care  
is all around us.*

-Unknown

## AGM NOMINATION FORMS

Nomination Forms for the following roles in church will be given out to all church members at the end of this morning's service.

The forms need to be given to Hillary Lambert (*Assistant Administrator*) no later than **Sunday 11th March**.

The Nomination Forms are for the following positions:

- Church Secretary/Administrator
- Assistant Church Secretary/Administrator
- Deacons

Please pray for these vital roles in the life of our church. Information on what to do with the forms and how to fill them in are printed on the form. If you have any queries then please speak to Pastor Ian or Hillary Lambert and one of them will advise you on what you need to do.

At the heart of worship is worship from the heart.

If we put God's word in our hearts, the Holy Spirit can put the right words in our mouth.

## 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.

## CHURCH AGM MEETING

Please could all those who provide a report for the Church Members AGM please give your report to **Hillary Lambert ASAP** and no later than

**Sunday 11th March.**

Thank you for your co-operation.

## CHURCH FINANCES FOR THE MONTH TO 25th FEBRUARY 2018

Budgeted offerings needed (incl. Gift Aid) for the month of February = **£3,479.17**

Cumulative offering for February = **£2,499.56**

*Gift Aid still to be claimed for January = £502.39*

**Shortfall** from budgeted offerings for the month of January = **£477.21**  
(*Shortfall is determined by Gift Aid still to be claimed*)

Some minds are like concrete, thoroughly mixed up and permanently set

## A WEEKS' WORTH OF PRAYERS POINTERS

- Pray for those of our fellowship who are unable to join us at present.
- Please pray for the Admin & Finance teams at Church.
- Pray for the work of The Sailors Society.
- Pray for those who are feeling lonely at this time of the year.
- Please pray for our preparations in the lead up to Easter. Pray that we will have a real encounter with the risen Lord Jesus.
- Pray for the person who is sitting next to you this day.
- Pray for our Pastor Ian and his family.
- Pray for the forthcoming Annual Church Members Meeting.
- Thank God for His great love towards you.
- Continue to pray for troubled spots in the world.

### 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.

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## Welcome to SANDOWN BAPTIST CHURCH

Our Vision is to . . .

Reach others with Christ's love as we learn to follow Him



SUNDAY 4th MARCH 2018

10.30 am Morning Worship ~ inc. Communion

Worship Leader: Rev. Ian Lovell

Preacher: Rev. Ian Lovell

Theme: How Does God Deal With Us?

Reading: Hebrews 11 v. 1 – 7



### Our Church Text for 2018

I will praise you, O Lord, with all my heart;  
I will tell of all your wonders.  
I will be glad and rejoice in you;  
I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.

Psalm 9 v. 1 - 2

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.