

CHURCH ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK AHEAD



Holy Week

Tuesday 27th March

Prayer Meeting 10.00am - 11.00am

Wednesday 28th March

Coffee & Bible Study 10.00am - 11.45am

We will be looking at Luke 24 v. 13 – 35 ~ Broken Bread, Open Eyes

Thursday 29th March

Maundy Thursday Communion 7.00pm

Friday 30th March

Walk Of Witness 10.30am

Good Friday Reflective Service 12.00pm

Good Friday Lunch 12.45pm

Sunday 1st April

Easter Morning Breakfast 9.00am

Morning Worship 10.30am

Today is **Easter Sunday**

(Our Pastor Rev. Ian Lovell will be leading today's service)

(Today is a Family Service and will include 2 Infant Dedications)

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

CHURCH FINANCES FOR THE MONTH TO 11th MARCH 2018

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

Cumulative offering for March = **£1,047.01**

Gift Aid still to be claimed for March = **£219.25**

Shortfall from budgeted offerings for the month of March = **£2,212.90**
(Shortfall is determined by Gift Aid still to be claimed)

A WEEKS' WORTH OF PRAYERS POINTERS

- Pray for those of our fellowship who are still unwell at this time. Pray for a speedy recovery of health.
- Pray for the children who have broken up from schools for the Easter holidays.
- Remember in pray those who have lost loved ones over this time of the year. Pray that they would know the love and comfort of the Lord Jesus.
- Give thanks to God this Eastertide that Jesus died and rose again. Thank God for Eternal Life.
- Pray for the Easter services in Church that those who attend will see the wonder of Jesus.
- Pray for our Pastor over this Easter time.

But everyone who lined the streets had a different reason for waving those palms. Some were political activists; they'd heard Jesus had supernatural power, and they wanted him to use it to free Israel from Roman rule. Others had loved ones who were sick or dying. They waved branches, hoping for physical healing. Some were onlookers merely looking for something to do, while others were genuine followers who wished Jesus would establish himself as an earthly king. Jesus was the only one in the parade who knew why he was going to Jerusalem – to die.

He had a mission, while everyone else had an agenda.

EATER MEALS AT CHURCH

The catering team is kindly asking that if you will be attending the **Good Friday Lunch** or the **Easter Breakfast** then please would you sign up for it on the list that can be found in the church vestibule as today is the last opportunity to do so.

Thank you.

Palm Sunday is one of the most important days of the Christian calendar. This day is the first of Holy Week, a time to reflect on the last week of Jesus' life. Jesus rode into Jerusalem on a donkey, among coats and palms to celebrate the Passover. As Jesus rode by, the crowds cried out 'Hosanna' to show their praise and adoration. In a matter of days, those same crowds that cried 'Hosanna', turned jeers and taunts towards Jesus as he was carrying the cross. Those same believers who were proclaiming their devotion to Jesus, were proclaiming to have Him crucified. It's so easy to want to shake our heads in judgment at these crowds; to call them hypocrites. However, aren't we just like them? We come to church on a Sunday and proclaim our 'Hosanna' to Christ, but then on other days we stray and the adoration doesn't show in our day-to-day. Christ carried the weight of our sins on the Cross, He knew when He was riding on the donkey that the crowds would eventually change their tune. Even so, out of love He sacrificed Himself for our sins! God is continually shaping us so that our 'Hosanna' to Him is evident in our hearts and in our daily lives. Throughout the upcoming Holy Week, as we reflect on the life and the sacrifice of Jesus, let's pray that God will reveal to us what is holding us back from wholeheartedly living out our devotion to Him.



Welcome to SANDOWN BAPTIST CHURCH

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



Palm Sunday

SUNDAY 25th MARCH 2018

10.30 am Morning Worship ~ Family Service on Palm Sunday

Worship Leader: Rev. Ian Lovell

Preacher: Rev. Ian Lovell

Theme: Sing A Joyful Song To Celebrate

Reading: Mark 11 v. 1 – 11

Palm Sunday



Palm Sunday! Be reminded of the reason for the Easter season! Amongst all the busyness that goes on reflect on Jesus & His resurrection.

Many Thanks Today Goes To . . .

Serving Tea & Coffee today are . . .
Elaine Carrington

Flowers today were provided by . . .
Val Winter

Our Stewards today have been . . .
Norma Hall & Rene Duff

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"Palm Sunday is a day of celebration, commemorating the triumphant arrival of Christ Jesus into the city of Jerusalem. May our day of celebration reflect our true heart and faith in Christ Jesus."

~ Laura D Field ~