

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.

CHURCH FINANCES FOR THE MONTH TO 24th MARCH 2019

Budgeted offerings needed (incl. Gift Aid) for the month of March =
£3,041.67

Cumulative offering for March = **£2,837.69**
Gift Aid still to be claimed for March = **£498.17**

IN HAND from budgeted offerings for the month of March = **£294.20**

PRAYER POINTERS

- Pray for those of our fellowship who are still unwell at this time.
- 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 part of the church leadership team.
- Pray for those young people who will shortly be sitting exams.
- Pray for families of those who come to the activities that the church provides.

SOMETHING TO PONDER OVER

Remind us often Lord, when we are feeling proud, arrogant, beyond reproach,
pleased with ourselves, self-sufficient in our ways, that for such as us and better and worse you walked a road that took you to a cruel cross, and rose again to show us where we might look for rescue as from this lofty perch we fall.

BMS BIRTHDAY SCHEME FOR APRIL 2018



17th April
Michelle Moore

CHURCH ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday 1st April

Play & Praise Toddler Group 9.30am - 11.00am

Tuesday 2nd April

Prayer Meeting 10.00am - 11.00am

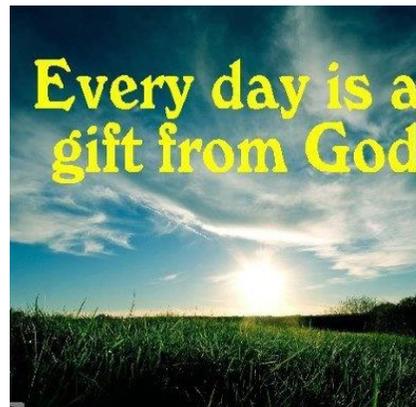
Wednesday 3rd April

Coffee & Bible Study 10.00am - 11.45am

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

Sunday 7th April

Morning Worship 10.30am
(Lin Plummer will be leading Worship)



Many Thanks Today Goes To...

Serving Tea & Coffee today are . . .
Norma Hall & Sue Hall

Flowers today were provided by . . .

Our Stewards today have been . . .
Sheila Rayner & Rene Duff

PA Operator today has been . . .
John Graney

A FEW THOUGHTS TO THINK ABOUT

The proof of commitment is action, not just words.

Even through messes, God blesses.

Reputation is built on what you have done not what you are going to do.

The Lord can give us power immediately, but building character takes some time.

God puts work into our lives, and he expects us to put life into our work.

Not trying because of the fear of failing, holds one back from the joy of living!

Mothing Sunday

Mothing Sunday is the fourth Sunday of **Lent**. Although it's often called Mothers' Day it has no connection with the American festival of that name.

Traditionally, it was a day when children, mainly daughters, who had gone to work as domestic servants were given a day off to visit their mother and family.

Today it is a day when children give presents, flowers, and home-made cards to their mothers.

History of Mothing Sunday

Most Sundays in the year churchgoers in England worship at their nearest parish or 'daughter church'.

Centuries ago it was considered important for people to return to their home or 'mother' church once a year. So each year in the middle of Lent, everyone would visit their 'mother' church - the main church or cathedral of the area.

Inevitably the return to the 'mother' church became an occasion for family reunions when children who were working away returned home. (It was quite common in those days for children to leave home for work once they were ten years old.)

And most historians think that it was the return to the 'Mother' church which led to the tradition of children, particularly those working as domestic servants, or as apprentices, being given the day off to visit their mother and family.

As they walked along the country lanes, children would pick wild flowers or violets to take to church or give to their mother as a small gift.

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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 31st MARCH 2019

10.30 am Morning Worship ~ Mothing Sunday

Worship Leader: Rev. Ian Lovell

Preacher: Rev. Ian Lovell

Theme: Mission Close To Home

Bible Reading: Luke 24 v. 44 – 53



Our Church Text for 2019

Jesus came and told the disciples:

'I have been given complete authority in heaven and on earth. Therefore, **go and make disciples** of all the nations, **baptizing them** in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. **Teach these new disciples** to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: **I am with you always**, even to the end of the age.'

Matthew 28 v. 18 - 20