

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 31st MARCH 2019

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

Cumulative offering for March = **£3,153.29**
Gift Aid still to be claimed for March = **£552.07**

IN HAND from budgeted offerings for the month of March =
£663.70

PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS WAS A FIVE SUNDAY MONTH

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.

Many Thanks Today Goes To...

Serving Tea & Coffee today are...
Paula Bashford & Michelle Moore

Flowers today were provided by...

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

PA Operator today has been...
John Graney

BMS BIRTHDAY SCHEME FOR APRIL 2018



17th April
Michelle Moore

CHURCH ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday 8th April

Deacons Meeting 7.00pm

Tuesday 9th April

Friends Unlimited 7.00pm - 9.00pm

Wednesday 10th April

Coffee & Bible Study 10.00am - 11.45am

Thursday 11th April

Housegroups 7.30pm

Sunday 14th April

Morning Worship 10.30am
(Rev. Ian Lovell will be leading Worship. Today is Palm Sunday)

EASTER SERVICES AT CHURCH



Our services over Easter are as follows:

Palm Sunday	10.30am Family Service
Maundy Thursday	7.00pm Communion Service
Good Friday	12.30pm Reflective Service
Easter Sunday	9.00am Easter Breakfast
	10.30am Easter Family Service

The catering team is kindly asking that if you will be attending the **Easter Breakfast** then please would you sign up for it on the list that can be found in the church vestibule over the next couple of weeks please.

God loves each of us as if there were only one of us - **Augustine**
Let God's promises shine on your problems. - **Corrie ten Boom**
If God is your partner, make your plans BIG! - **D.L. Moody**
God does not give us everything we want, but He does fulfill His promises, leading us along the best and straightest paths to Himself. - **Dietrich Bonhoeffer**
Relying on God has to start all over everyday, as if nothing has yet been done. - **C. S. Lewis**
There is no one who is insignificant in the purpose of God. - **Alistair Begg**

HAS YOUR LOVE GROWN COLD?

Revelation 2 v. 4

Love is like a fire; when it's not fuelled, it goes out. That's what happened to the Christians in the church at Ephesus. In earlier years Paul wrote these words to them: **'Grace be with all those who love our Lord Jesus Christ with incorruptible love'** (Ephesians 6 v. 24 NASB). Their love for the Lord was so strong and so evident to all, that Paul commended them for it.

But by the time Christ speaks to the same church in the book of Revelation, their love for Him had waned: **'I know all the things you do. I have seen your hard work and your patient endurance. I know you don't tolerate evil people. You have examined the claims of those who say they are apostles but are not. You have discovered they are liars. You have patiently suffered for me without quitting. But I have this complaint against you. You don't love me or each other as you did at first! Look how far you have fallen! Turn back to me'** (Revelation 2 v. 2 - 5 NLT).

Evangelical leader John Stott wrote: **'They'd fallen from the early heights of devotion to Christ which they'd climbed. They'd descended to the plains of mediocrity. In a word...the hearts of the Ephesian Christians had chilled. Their first flush of ecstasy had passed. Their early devotion to Christ had cooled. They'd been in love with Him, but...had fallen out of love.'**

You can go to church, read your Bible, and pray every day, yet not love God as you should. Loving God is a commitment and a heart attitude that results in obedience. It's a focus: a daily decision to honour Him in all you say and do. So, has your love grown cold?



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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 7th APRIL 2019

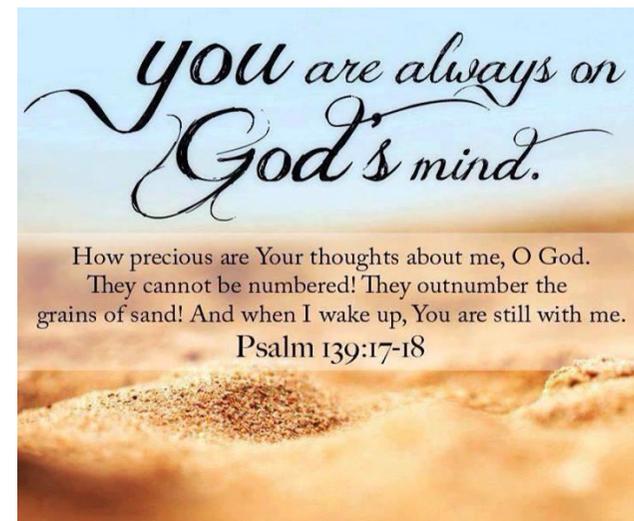
10.30 am Morning Worship ~ inc. Communion

Worship Leader: Mrs. Lin Plummer

Preacher: Rev. Ian Lovell

Theme: Mission That Brings Wholeness
And Life

Bible Reading: Acts 9 v. 32 – 43



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