



A Passion for Jesus - A Love for Others

A Growing Community

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Sunday 21st April 2024

Today's Speaker: Alex Drury-Gorham

Leading Worship: Tom & Rosemary Batts

The Disciples Sent - Luke 11:1-13

Please join us for refreshments downstairs after the service

Church Membership

Last Tuesday at our AGM one of the items was Church Membership and we were pleased to accept some applications. We are not a club and in one sense every Christian is a member of the body of Christ. However, God puts us in different sections of the body and at SBC we do have a membership process.

Membership is stating that you regard SBC as your spiritual home. We are a family and it's all about our relationships with one another. It's about being committed to one another; loving one another, knowing one another, bearing with and forgiving each other, encouraging one another, praying for one another.

Key responsibilities of membership include: (as stated in our Constitution) being a witness inside and outside the church environment; attending worship and participating in church activities; personal and corporate prayer and Bible study; participation at Communion as a privilege and a priority; helping the Church whenever possible by using your gifts and abilities to advance the Kingdom of God through its activities; attending and participating in Church Members' Meetings; giving regular financial support to the Church; upholding Christian values in your daily life.

Key benefits of membership include: provision of spiritual covering and support; it demonstrates to others that you are committed; it draws you closer to the other members and helps to build mutual trust and loyalty; it enables you to be available to hold positions of leadership in the church; it enables you to have a say in how the church is run; it gives you opportunity to exercise your God-given gifts and thereby bless others; it provides you with accountability; you are contributing to the local building of the body of Christ.

Whether you are an official member or not, we assure you that you will receive all the love, care and support that we can give you when you fellowship with us. If you'd like to know more about becoming a member, just contact Andy or one of the other trustees.

Sheila White



**Church Flowers
Angela Ayres**

Our duty Leadership Team member today is Sheila White

Pastoral Prayer: Please pray for Frank Parker as he continues his treatment for cancer, that God would give him strength to cope day by day

Family Focus: John & Jill Hughes, Annette Jemison, Hilda Jenkins, Catherine Kent, Mike & Margaret Kerry, Joy Larby, Linda Lord, Andy & Christy Lowe + Family, Rev Andy & Liz Machin, Albert & Esther Mbugua + Family, Patrick & Janet McCausland.

Church Diary

Sunday 21st April
Tuesday 23rd April
Thursday 25th April
Friday 26th April
Saturday 27th April

Prayer for Israel @ 2pm via Zoom
Oasis @ 2.15pm - Etherton Hall - Sue Cunningham
Held @ 9:45am - Lounge
Scallywags @ 9.30am - Hall
Hive Youth Groups @ 5pm-9pm
Mens Breakfast @ 9.00am

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Many thanks to the 43 people who attended and for all the apologies. The minutes will be issued in due course. Meanwhile you will find some updates in this sheet.

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

At our AGM on 16th April we were pleased to accept and confirm new members:

Verna Issitt (by baptism)
Margaret Baldwin
Michael and Christianah Adeyemi
Rosemary Kemp (reinstatement)

FIRE EVACUATION DRILL ADVANCE NOTICE

This will take place at the end of the service on:
SUNDAY 5TH MAY.

VACANCY FOR SAFEGUARDING TRUSTEE

We have an immediate need for someone to fill this vital position.

Please contact Andy or Sheila if you are interested.

Pray for the Peace of Jerusalem Psalm 122:6



Join us for our Zoom Prayer meeting for Israel
3rd Sunday of each month at 2.00 pm.
For more information contact Sheila White on 07738 181269



For those of you who use Facebook please take a look at the Early Birds new Facebook. **Early Birds Pre-School SBC**, the more 'likes' and 'followers' it gets the higher its profile becomes.

Please keep praying for the children, their parents and carers and the staff team because the Summer Term is about to start.

LEADERSHIP CHANGES

Tony Rowswell has stepped down from Trustee Treasurer.

Derek Mills steps up as interim Honorary Assistant Treasurer until 31st October 2024.

Jenny Chapman steps down as Pastoral Trustee at end of April.

Angela Ayres steps up as Pastoral Trustee.

Rodney Reed has stepped down as Safeguarding Trustee.

Rodney continues as Trustee Chair of Early Birds Pre-school.

Sally Ann Fatkin will step down from Trusteeship in July and become Worship Coordinator.

Other Coordinators who have renewed for another year:

Peter White—Communications

Phillip White—Premises

Helen Webb—Prayer

Roger Case—Missions

Laura Arnold—Catering

We are thankful to all these people for their contribution to the operation of the church.



Organising an Event for SBC?

If you are organising an event for SBC: Spiritual, Musical, Social, Financial please;

1. Consult the relevant Leadership Member.
2. Consult Richard about dates, use of premises and insurance.
3. Give it publicity (having checked wording and pictures with 1 above) WITH ALL of Penny (Notices), News Update and Prayer Focus (Peter), Website (Naomi), Facebook and Instagram (Alex), Noticeboards and Outside Posters (Office), Fliers and Seaford Scene (Peter) as relevant! (or ask Peter White to assist).

Don't Hide your Light under a Bushel!