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The Grandeur of God III Independent, Unchanging, Eternal

Sunday 26th February 2023

Series: The Grandeur of God

Part III – Independence, Unchanging, Eternal,

Psalm 102:25-27, Psalm 90:2 & Acts 17:16-27

Derek Robinson

TODAY'S MORNING SERVICE – This morning Brenda's band will be leading worship and I will be bringing you God's word as we return to our series, "The Grandeur of God". Today we reach part III and our title is, "The Grandeur of God III, Independence, unchanging and eternal". This is based on three Bible passages, Psalm 102:25-27, Psalm 90:2 & Acts 17:24-25.

Although I am sure you will be familiar with God being described as "unchanging" and "eternal" but, you might not be so familiar with the concept of God's independence. If you want to know more, then make sure you don't miss Sunday's service.

Of course, we do hope you can join us for the service in the church but if you can't actually join us, you will be able to access this service from 10.30 am by going to: <http://www.aldwickbaptist.co.uk/category/current-sermons>.

AN UPDATE ON SIMON – As most of you know, Simon's had his operation on Tuesday and is now back at home. He now needs to rest in peace and quiet, so please do not try to contact him or put him or his family under any pressure. I will give further updates as things become clearer. Looking on the internet (never a good idea), the recovery time for such an operation is likely to be between 6 – 8 weeks at the minimum. Simon will be meeting with the leadership team as soon as he feels able so that we can make the necessary plans. Please thank God that the operation took place and appears to have been successful. Pray for Simon's ongoing recovery and particularly for relief from pain and for patience. We do know that Simon will find this enforced absence from his day-to-day activities within the church and local area very stressful. Please all pray for Nicky, Emily and Anaya as they need God's strength and our support at this very difficult time.

MESSY CHURCH – This Thursday, March 2nd at 3.30pm. This month Jason and Haze will be leading Messy Church when the topic is Elijah and the Barmy Baal. This is mainly aimed at families with younger children, but all are invited to join us. As usual, this fun afternoon will include refreshments. Why not come and see exactly what goes on?

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER – This year's World Day of Prayer Service is due to take place at 10.30 am on March 3rd at St. Mary's Church, Grassmere Rd., Felpham, PO22 7NU. The service has been prepared by the women of Taiwan, but anyone can attend, not just ladies. (Bus stop nearby for bus numbers 600 and 700.)

ABC PRAYER DAY - Have you signed up for our Prayer Day on the Saturday, 4th March? There are still a few vacant slots left. See Joy for further details.

NEXT SUNDAY – Next Sunday will be a family service entitled "I am the light of the world". This will lead by Clive in Simon's absence.

THIS WEEK'S POEM

This week Arthur reminds us of the beauty of God's creation, of which we are a privileged part. He is reminding us to celebrate each new day as it arrives.

ANOTHER NEW DAY

In the still of an Autumn morning,
When the sun is beginning to shine.
The birds in the trees are singing,
Another new day in life's precious time.
In the still of the Autumn morning
We pause and make time to reflect,
That we are part of creation.
What a privilege, what a prospect.
In the still of the Autumn morning,
The stars slowly fade away.
We feel the hand of God to guide us,
Through another new day

Arthur Magee

HEATHER GOUDOIN – Heather's new address is 3 Wilman Gardens, Bognor Regis, PO21 4BP (an address you might recognise). She does not have a landline but can be contacted on 07765 187341. Heather tells me that she is slowly recovering but gets tired easily and needs to have a sit down after she has done anything.

COMING VERY SOON NOW – A LOVE ALDWICK SPECIAL – Our Community Pancake Party. Saturday, 11th March, from 3.30 pm to 6.00 pm. There will be a treasure hunt and a wide range of pancakes with sweet and savoury fillings. Why not invite a neighbour or two? If you want any places then you must book by contacting Clive through email at secretary@aldwickbaptist.co.uk or by phoning 01243 930756

THIS YEAR'S MOTTO CARD – "For the Spirit God gave us does not make us timid, but gives us power, love and self-discipline. 2 Timothy 1:7.

ROOM WANTED - A friend of Eric Sampson needs temporary accommodation whilst waiting to move. Can you help? If so, contact me and I will pass the information on.

LET'S CELEBRATE YOUR BIRTHDAY – It's both Matt Wood and Hayley Lawrey's birthday on Tuesday (28th) and David Goodwin's on the following day (1st March). So do wish them a great big Aldwick happy birthday or send a card or even bake a cake!

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FIRST RESPONDER - As Simon is currently having to curtail his movement and, following his operation, he will need to rest, I will be acting as first responder for the time being. Please contact me if you have any prayer requests or need of care. Derek

DIANE DOWNING – Diane, Simon's mother continues to have major health concerns and will be having an operation to hopefully improve her hearing towards the end of this month. Please pray for peace of mind and for a successful outcome.

THANK YOU - Rosanne Gould would like to thank you all for your prayers and support for the family over the last few weeks as they prepared for her brother, Donald's cremation. Rosanne says everything went well.

PRAYER POINTERS – Please continue to pray for Angela Halfacree, Marion Bryant, Kay Tucker, Emily Brown, Sandra Field, Jon Crane, Mary Bullock, Mavis Eede, Katrina Gould, and David Hanchard. Please also pray for Keith Scott, Val Collett and Pam Brown. Pray too for others in the congregation who are in need prayer.

PRAYER PARTNERS – you have might have heard about this before. You might even already be a "Prayer Partner". Prayer partners are people who are committed to praying with each other and for each other on a regular basis. Would you like to know more? Then contact Joy Smith by email or phone.

RESPONDING TO PRAYER REQUESTS - Dear friends, there are many prayer requests by your brothers and sisters in the prayer room, please go in and pray over them. There are also many aids to prayer you may like to use. With love in Christ. Angela

BIRTHDAY LISTS - If you want to be included in our birthday list, and receive a celebratory slot in the news sheet, please contact Lynne Allard (265360). If you want details of the BMS birthday scheme, then please contact Brenda.

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