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**CHURCHES TOGETHER** - You are welcome to join us at 'The Gathering'. Come and join Bognor Churches Together for an evening of worship, fellowship and conversation at St. Wilfrid's Church, Ellasdale Road, PO21 2SG on Tuesday 16th May at 7.30pm. Feel free to come with questions, information, suggestions-ideas for our churches together.



**BIRTHDAY LISTS** – This week we have three birthdays to celebrate. It's Brianna Wood today (14<sup>th</sup>), Emily Brown on Tuesday (16<sup>th</sup>) and Marion Bryant on Saturday (20<sup>th</sup>). So do wish them a big Happy Birthday. If you want to be included in our birthday list and receive a celebratory slot in the news sheet, please contact me. If you want details of the BMS birthday scheme, then please contact Brenda.

**PRAYER POINTERS** – Please continue to pray for Brad Bradshaw, Keith Scott, Brian Calvert, Pam Ryan, Diane Downing, David Hanchard, Marion Bryant, Kay Tucker, Sandra Field, Jon Crane, Mary Bullock, Mavis Eede, Katrina Gould. Please also pray for Val Collett and Pam Brown. Pray too for others who are in need of prayer.

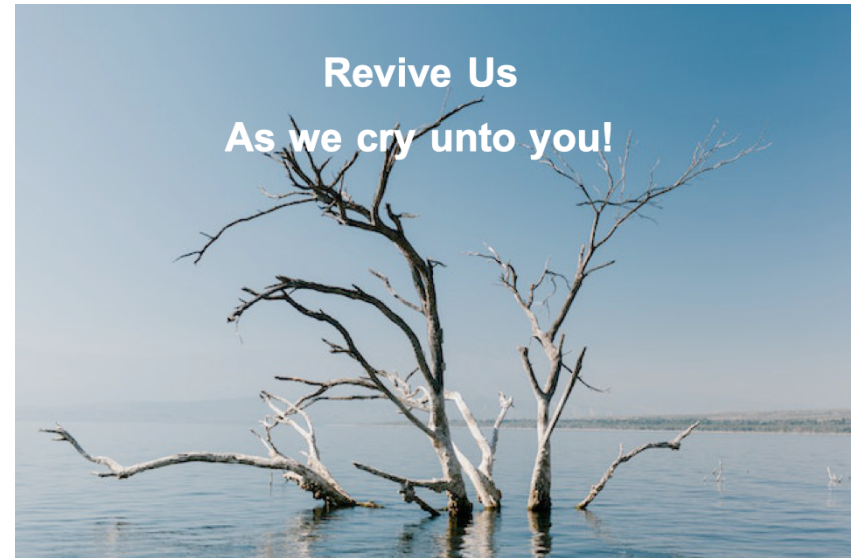
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# ABC NEWS

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**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2023**

**Revive us – as we cry unto you**

**Psalm 85:4-7 & Psalm 12**

**Simon Downing**

**TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE** – In today's worship service Simon tells us that he has never spoken about 'revival' as a sermon before, he has often mentioned the term. So, it may well be that this is a very important Sunday for us, as Simon feels very much led to this. He will be looking very briefly at Psalm 85 and Psalm 126, and specifically, two special words within them. He will also teach on some other things, so we get the full picture. Sounds really interesting – so don't miss it!

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 the service at any time by going to: <http://www.aldwickbaptist.co.uk/category/current-sermons>.

**REVIVAL** - If you want to hear something inspiring then do listen to Robin Mark singing "Revival" by [clicking here](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UgukTjyCMX8&ab_channel=worship4christ2012). (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UgukTjyCMX8&ab\_channel=worship4christ2012).

**CHURCHSUITE** – As you probably know we now keep our membership lists on Churchsuite. If you haven't already done so, please contact Clive so that your information can be added to our lists. If you can access Churchsuite, then do check and amend your details including adding a photo if possible. A photo really helps people to find you!

**COMING SOON** - A service of thanksgiving. A chance for you to share some of what God has been doing in your life recently. A chance for us all to celebrate God's goodness to us. Simon will be happy to read it out for you or you can come to the front and share your story. It does need to be short so that we can include as many people as possible. Speak to me if you need any guidance.

**PREACHING TEAM** – I will be preaching at Southbourne Free Church today when the title of my talk will be, "My Lord and my God" based on John 20:19-31. Please pray for safe travelling, a Holy Spirit driven talk and a positive response from this small band of faithful worshippers. Next Brian Goldsmith will be preaching there, so please pray for him as he prepares his message. Derek.

**LIFE SKILLS COURSE** - The course has begun and went well with three guests who participated well and enjoyed the time together. The room set up etc and dessert was well received and we are so grateful for the help that has been offered. We are looking forward to the rest of our time together.

**LUCIENNE AND BERNARD'S WEDDING SERVICE INVITE** - Bernard and Lucienne are getting married on the 27<sup>th</sup> May 2023, the service starts at 11.30 am. All are very welcome to celebrate with us at the service, there will be refreshments afterwards (tea/coffee/cake/biscuits). We would also like a large group photo, so please gather in the car park when the word goes around. Love and Blessings, Lucienne and Bernard.

## **THIS WEEK'S POEM**

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This week Arthur's poem asks a question that everyone in the world should ask themselves before it is too late, "What kind of man is Jesus?"

### **What kind of man is this?**

What kind of man is this,  
Who turned the water into wine?  
They say his face seemed to shine.  
He had so much authority  
and yet he showed such humility.  
What kind of man is this  
Who five thousand fed  
with just two fish and five loaves of bread?  
He raised Lazarus from the dead.  
He made the possessed free,  
And the blind to see.  
What kind of man is this,  
Who calmed the stormy sea?  
They say he comes from heaven above,  
With a message of forgiveness, peace and love.  
We know it's true what they say,  
That he is the life the truth and the way.  
Yes, what kind of man is this?

**Arthur Magee**

**NEWS FROM THE BIBLE SOCIETY** - As you might know our church supports the Bible Society with a substantial gift each year and their news is exciting. In Kuwait, Bahrain, Oman and Dubai **migrant workers** from the poorest countries long for hope and are coming to faith in huge numbers. An awakening is happening across the **Bible Lands** causing an urgent and unmet demand for the Bible, and explosive growth in **China** for the last 40 years means there is now an average of one pastor for every 6,700 Christians and most pastors have not been able to have theological training, so lay pastors need the Study Bibles that the Bible Society provides (each costing the society £13) so that they can be equipped to teach God's word.

**ARE YOU INTERESTED IN CHURCHES TOGETHER?** - If anyone is interested in being involved with Bognor Churches Together please let me know and I will explain all. Barbara