



DENHOLME SHARED CHURCH

Website: www.denholmechurch.org.uk

Unpredictable Times

Political commentators are having a field day. Pollsters seem to get everything wrong. They thought we'd vote to remain but it was leave. They thought there would be a substantial Tory majority but there wasn't. Sterling is falling, markets are up and down, not knowing any better than anyone else where we are going. As I write this, Teresa May is negotiating with the DUP causing fear in liberal thinking England, the Queen's speech is on, then it's off, government is in chaos, previously sacked ministers return to the cabinet in an attempt to buy loyalty, and the Brexit negotiations are due to begin - or are they - the latest talk is of putting them back.

All seems to be in chaos, and on a grand scale - what can we depend upon?

For some of us we are finding that as we grow older the wonderful NHS is unable to cure all our ailments. All kinds of unexpected health issues crop up and our own bodies let us down. Even our families are not always dependable. Some of us

don't have close family, some of us have family but they don't seem to care that much. For others we have loving families and then some kind of disaster strikes - a car crash, or someone we love is caught up in some despicable act of terror, or maybe the old enemy, cancer strikes again. What can we depend upon?

We can't depend upon politicians, that is for sure. We can't depend upon the economy or the financial markets - most of us haven't got much put away for a rainy day anyway!

We can't depend upon our health, or even our friends or families, all these things and people are uncertain. Good intentions don't always result in good deeds, illness and darkness can affect our nearest and dearest.

Jesus once told a story of two men who each built houses; the first built a house on sand and the second built it on rock. Then came terrible wind, rain and floods. The house on the sand fell flat, but the house on the rock stood firm.

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Weekly Services:

Sundays 9.30 a.m.
Jesus for ALL—an informal pattern of worship with refreshments available throughout



11.15 a.m. Morning worship followed by refreshments

Denholme Shared Church is a partnership of the Baptist, Church of England and the United Reformed Churches.

In our worship and life, together we seek to stay faithful to the traditions of all three denominations

"One faith, three traditions"



If you build your life on God then you are like the house built on rock. Storms and terrible times may still come your way, but you can depend upon the rock upon which you are built because it will never fall down. God is totally trustworthy, fully dependable, always present and gracious to me. That's why I worship him. There is no-one else and nothing else that begins to compare.

This Autumn, at Denholme Shared Church we shall be running the Alpha Course on Wednesday evenings. It includes a meal, a video presentation and then small group discussions, and it is intended for anyone with even the tiniest bit of interest in finding out more about God. Will you think about coming along? It's free of charge although donations are welcome towards the meals.

Revd Bob Evans

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS MONTH?

Sunday 2nd July 9.30 - Jesus for ALL followed by bacon butties

11.15—Morning worship led by Chris Wilcock

Sunday 9th July 9.30 - Jesus for ALL 11.15 — Brian Horsfall

Sunday 16th July 9.30 — Jesus for ALL 11.15 — Morning worship led by Revd Philip Clements-Jewery

Sunday 23rd July 9.30—Jesus for ALL 11.15 — communion service led by Revd Bob Evans

Sunday 30th July—9.30 Jesus for ALL 11.15 Communion service led by Revd Ann Hayward

1.30—Baptism of Ivy Nunn



Saturday 1st July - come and see us at Denholme Gala

Sunday 30th July—Sunday lunch at the Tyke

FUTURE EVENTS:

Saturday 9th September 2pm — Family Fun Day at Church—full details available soon

Starting Wednesday 20th September — Alpha Course—a 12 week series of interactive sessions exploring the Christian faith. Please come along and join us but do ask if you need further details



WHAT ELSE HAPPENS?

Mondays 1.30-3pm—Yoga

Tuesdays 10.30-midday—Creative Writing Group

6.30—8pm—Yoga

Thursdays 9.15-9.45am Pause for Prayer / 7.15-9pm—Denholme Voices

Fridays 9.15-11.15am—Babes & Tots



Each month donations received for refreshments are forwarded to a chosen charity. This month we're supporting the Jesus Shaped People Charitable Trust

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