

**Dear God, I pray that you will bless me and my church. Send people into our fellowship,
and protect us all. In Jesus' name. Amen**

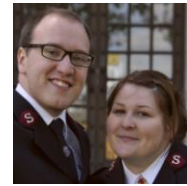
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Sunday 22nd April 2018

'Seeing is Believing'

John 20: 24-31



This week, Callum and Berri are away from Tuesday evening until Thursday afternoon at the annual Divisional Officer's Retreat. If there is an urgent matter please phone Anne and Richard 07951 000089.

Good morning and welcome to worship!

Have you ever had the experience when one of your friends comes back from seeing a film or visiting a beautiful place or witnessing something extraordinary and, filled with excitement at what they've just experienced, they begin to tell you of what they have seen before realising that their words just don't seem to be conveying just how good what they have seen. It is with this excitement and passion that I imagine the disciples coming to tell Thomas about their encounter with the risen Jesus and yet the testimony of their experience doesn't seem to cut it for Thomas who kind of says, 'I need to see this for myself.'

This morning we are going to explore what it means to 'see and believe' as we look the story of Thomas and the disciples. My prayer is that we will look back and see Jesus in our own lives and that we can trust that Jesus will keep showing up too in all seasons of our lives.

See and believe!

Berri.



The gift of flowers greatly enhances our worship environment thank you.

Prayer Requests

Marilyn Simpson is making slow but good progress.

Carol Dowsett has had her throat operation and is making progress.

Cate who will have surgery on 2 May.

Brenda Dutton has been unwell with stomach problems and has been in hospital this week.

Eric's operation has been put back two weeks.

Lilian Cardy has been 'up north' for her sister's funeral but has contracted a bad virus whilst there and is currently not well enough to travel.

Today: Shepway Community Choir Rehearsal at 6:00pm

This Week: Mon & Tue – Toddlers 9:30am-11:30am

NO music rehearsal on Tuesday.

Weds- CAMEO at 2:30pm lead by Heather

Friday- Youth Group is ON at 6:00pm

Saturday- 'Total Praise!' Featuring the South London and South East Youth Band, South East Fellowship Band and our own Shepway Community Choir.

2:00pm- The Youth Band will be playing under the Town Hall Undercroft

7:00pm- Concert at Hythe Bay School (Free admission!)

Next Sunday: 'Kenya Celebration Sunday' –Come along and hear all about what the team got up to in Kenya!

Church Membership

Over the past few weeks, several folk have shared conversation with Callum and Berri that they are feeling lead by God to explore Church membership further. Callum will talk about this during this morning's meeting, but it could well be that there are others who feel similarly and wish to become Adherent members or soldiers of The Salvation Army.

For those who are considering soldiership, there is a preparatory course which helps to explore the beliefs and practices of The Salvation Army (As an aside- it's an updated course which is very good for anyone who wants to explore more general Christian beliefs or to learn more about The Salvation Army and would even suit existing soldiers who fancy a refresher!) At the end of the course there's no commitment or pressure to 'become' anything else. We're looking at running this course during May. If it is something you'd be interested in then please have a word with Callum at the end of the meeting today, or before next week, and we can arrange the classes to happen at a day/time/place to suit as many as possible.

Dates for your diary...

Tue 1st May at 1:00pm- Funeral Service for Frances Back at Ashford Salvation Army.

Sunday 24th June- Regional Youth Councils at William Booth College

Sunday 8th July- Meeting lead by young people's band and junior choir from Bromley Salvation Army

Sunday 22nd July- 3:00pm- Garden Party at Callum and Berri's House (All welcome!)

Sunday 29th July- Sat 4th August- Summer School for Youth.