



Love God
Love Others



Ramsgate Salvation Army

Sunday 29th May 2022

A warm welcome as we gather as the family of God today,
especially if you are not normally with us on a Sunday.

May we all feel the welcome of God and each other.

We meet at The Salvation Army Hall Sunday 10.30 am.

Also Sunday worship is livestreamed on  **YouTube**

You can find a link on the Ramsgate Salvation Army page

www.salvationarmy.org.uk/ramsgate



The Ascension is one of those moments in Christian history where we are challenged by the sheer physicality of the Gospel message: for God, there is no unbridgeable divide between the physical world and God's heavenly realm. In Jesus Christ, the Word of God becomes flesh, as we celebrate every Christmas. At Easter Jesus rises physically from the dead. At Ascension Jesus is received physically in heaven. Our physicality is wholly acceptable to God.



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What's happening at Ramsgate Salvation Army?

Sunday 29th May (10.30 am) From 10.10 prayer in community Hall

Holy Lord, everything we need is found in you. For those of us who come here feeling broken, bring restoration. For those of us who come here feeling weak, bring strength. For those who come here weeping, bring joy. For those of us who come here with doubts, bring faith. For those who come here feeling shame, bring freedom. For those of us who come here feeling burdened, bring rest. For those of us who come here feeling anxious, bring peace. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, Amen.

Ascension Sunday – led by Jacqueline

Afternoon

Monday to Friday (6.30am-9am)

Monday (9.30 am – 11.30 am)

Monday (6pm)

Tuesday (9am to 12 noon)

Tuesday (11am)

Tuesday (12 noon)

Tuesday (12.30 pm)

Tuesday (7.30 pm) at our hall.

Bible Study 4 of 4
Led by Dr Robin Plant

And on  YouTube

Alpha Group away afternoon at Minster

Breakfast Drop-in

NO Little Fishes (Parent & Toddler group)

NO Alpha and ACES

Food Parcel Preparation

Membership Class week 12

Light Lunch

Prayers at hall and Bible Study at hall



Can We Trust
the Gospels?



Wednesday (11 am)

Thursday

Friday (10am - 12 noon)

Friday (6.00pm)

Sunday 5th June (10.30am)

Sunday 5th June (3.30pm)

Friendship Club & Luncheon Club

HOLIDAY

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No KIDS Club

Pentecost Sunday

Band at Ellington Park - Jubilee Praise.



Flowers for this week are thanks to **Maggie Birthdays**

George Moses

Sunday 5th June

We pray by name for

Isaiah and **Elijah** following the tragic death of their father **Kevin**.

The friends and family of **Richard Lund** who died this week

For Sheila's friend **Marilyn** moved from QEQM for further treatment in Canterbury Hospital. Tracy's dad **Ivor** in hospital in London.

Lauren, a young friend of Mel and Daniel. Nathan aged 13, who is in pain and unable to walk following recent treatment for cancer. Pray too for his mum Joyce. For **Paul Letts** still recovering after his heart attack and operation. For **Jo Harrington** suffering from shingles. For Janet's son, **Richard** for a diagnosis for his medical concerns.

For **Eileen's sister Margaret** following her cancer operation on 20 May.

For **Major Brenda Austin** for her operation on 6th June.

For **Cathy and Paul**, friends of **Douglas** who are nearing end of life.

For **Sasha** as she waits for test results. Pray for complete healing.

We continue to uphold **David Miles**, **John McCairn** and **Jan** waiting for medical treatment. For **Cheryl** as she recovers at home from her operation on Wednesday.

For Kim, his sister, and his family and friends following the recent death of **Paul Wales**.

Finally a friend of Douglas who is in need of much prayer support at this time. Continue to pray for the lead chaplain at Elmley, **Nick**. His ministry is very demanding, and we ask it will be continually strengthened and blessed. Pray for healing.

We thank God that **Averil** is now back at home. We pray for her continued recovery.



God of all righteousness, please speak powerfully to those throughout the world who have powerful influence in this situation so wisdom and compassion may prevail, and evil overcome. Watch over President Zelensky and others in the Ukrainian government and their families at this perilous time. Amen.

There have been many attempts to represent the Ascension of Jesus in artistic form down the centuries. Some of the most comical show the apostles standing on a hillside staring up at a cloud from which a pair of feet can be seen protruding. Artists who have attempted to depict this scene have, of course, made the mistake of trying to give us a visual representation of that which is far beyond our mortal understanding. As we say every Sunday, he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. How can such a thing be represented by our puny human imaginations? Rather than wrestling with a visual image we should be striving to accept the greatness of God's power and Jesus' place in that greatness.

The Ascension of Our Lord is not the end of the story, rather it is another beginning. This beginning is one in which we are called to be active participants and not spectators. Throughout his earthly life Jesus gave us a model of love and service. He called us to follow him as faithful disciples (no matter how great the cost) and he called us to go out in his name in order that others might come to know the truth and the joy of God's love in their lives.

The Ascension is one of the great mysteries of our faith. We will not come anywhere near understanding it until we stand in God's presence at the end of time. Rather than wrestling with bizarre visual images of that which our human minds cannot comprehend, let us take its message to heart. Let us not stand staring into heaven, but let us play our part in bringing the reality of that heaven into the lives of others.

Almighty God,
as we prepare to worship today, we ask that you will stretch our imaginations to sense the majesty and mystery of your ascension.

Help us perceive how Jesus' presence in heaven can give us confidence in our praying and hope for the future.
Through Jesus, our Lord. Amen.