

Alvechurch Community Choir
Newsletter 22 May 2018

Thanks Laurence and Dave for a good session last night – I felt we sang really well, and we got through all the songs for the Picnic in the Park. Alison has sent out an updated set of songs for this – thanks Alison and happy birthday for yesterday. Thank you too whoever brought the scones!

Please remember to get there on time for the Picnic. We are performing at 1.30 but need to be there for **1.15 at the latest. Gather near the performance area.** Remember you can't park there and Alvechurch gets very busy so find yourself a place to park in time to walk to the Park! Wear your red black and white and keep an eye on the weather.

There is an open air service at the Baptist Church that morning at 10.30 which you are welcome to attend.

Mike sent us a nice message yesterday saying he was hoping to come back and play from time to time but it all depends on how Hannah's treatment is going.

The wedding at the weekend was lovely and we sang well – even the hymns which we didn't know very well. We thought the mixture of popular songs and serious hymns was a bit like another wedding....but ours was better. Thank you everyone involved in this – it was a perfect afternoon and we wish Roger and Sue well on their honeymoon touring round Ireland. Lovely to have Mike playing with us, and Hannah came in for part of the service, as did Ali (fiddle.) Good to see Alejandro and Doris from Peru too. You may not know we had a "Withybed breakfast" with Roger and Sue before the wedding, at the Crown. Those of you who like the Crown will be pleased to know we have two singalong sessions booked there in the summer – 23 July and 6 August. In the winter we'll probably go back to the Swan for the odd pub sessions.

There's no meeting next Monday, bank holiday, so we'll see you at the next one on 4 June at the Village Hall.

Reminder of future dates:

11 June Social Club

18 June Village Hall

23 June – workshop with Themba 2-8

25 June – Village Hall with Themba

2 July – Village Hall

9 July – Village Hall discussion session + singing

16 July – barbecue at Barnt Green – cost to be confirmed

23 July – Crown

6 August – Crown

20 August – Village Hall

25 August – performance at Avoncroft, evening, time TBC

At Themba's workshop, there'll be a "mini-performance" in the evening, so you can invite family to come along if you like. More details later.

Mary Green