

Dear All,

We are really looking forward to the Church Day Out on Saturday, 12th October at Buckfast Abbey, Buckfastleigh and hope that you will be able to join us. David Runcorn, a very experienced conference speaker and retreat leader, will be leading two sessions to inspire us from the Scriptures. And Jonathan O'Brien, a highly experienced group facilitator and CEO, will be leading group discussions to reflect on what has worked well recently and how we might move forward together as a church.

The Church Day out will include time for fellowship and relaxation in the Abbey grounds as well as times of teaching and of reflection. The Abbey will be providing coffee on arrival at 9.30am and mid-morning; a buffet lunch and afternoon tea. The day will end at 16.00. (Those with children may wish to leave after lunch.) A detailed programme is set out below. To cover the costs of the Church Day Out, there is a suggested contribution of £25 per person. (Children will be free.) SCC are happy to subsidise the event in order that everyone has the opportunity to join us for the day. If you are unable to pay the full amount or indeed would like to contribute more, please see Greg or Andrew.

Please let Andrew or Judy know if you are planning to come by Tuesday, 8th Oct at the latest.

Greg, Andrew and Judy. (E: admin@sherfordchurch.net)

SCC Church Day Out, Buckfast Abbey on 12th October 2024

Draft Programme

- 9.30 Arrive / Coffee
- 10.00 Welcome and Introduction.
- 10.10 Session 1: David Runcorn: Wisdom and Playfulness in Creation
- 11.00 Coffee
- 11.15 Session 2: David Runcorn (contd)
- 12.00 Short break
- 12.15 Session 3: David Runcorn (contd)
- 13.00 Lunch
- 14.15 Session 4 Jonathan 'Time to celebrate and time to reflect.'
- 15.00 Tea
- 15.15 Session 5: Jonathan 'What is God saying to us as a church?'

Conclusion - What comes out of all this?

Closing prayer - GB

16.00 Time for relaxation / walk round grounds / departure.