

Stalham Baptist Church

Weekly News Bulletin Sunday Sept 16th 2018



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Barbara Reynolds is leading and Ron is preaching on Matthew 13:1-5,32F

"Why and how is better than what or where"

We would like to offer a very big welcome to any visitors who have joined us this Sunday. Would you kindly sign our visitors' book at the back of the Church and you are very welcome to join us for refreshments in the Stables at the end of the service.

For Your Prayers

As part of our weekly worship we have a **Prayer Team** available to anyone who would like the support of others in prayer. You can find today's prayer team **Diana and Maggie** in the prayer tent at the back of the Church. Please pray during September for the residents of **Stalham High Street and Brumstead Road**. As we pray through the Church Directory, please remember **David and Gillian Meale**.

Also please pray for those we know who are unwell at home, in care homes or in hospital. May they know His peace in their lives.

Virtual Prayer Room

On Sunday 9th Victoria asked for prayers for her brother in law Mark whose kidney levels remain high despite another operation. Mark will be going back into hospital at the end of the month.

On Monday Doreen requested prayers for her friend Mary Lee who was going to lead a bible study group at NCBC and was feeling unwell.

David and Eileen asked for prayers for the people of North Carolina and their son and family who were in the pathway of hurricane Florence.

On Tuesday Maggie invited prayers for Dick who is a dog trainer that Maggie takes her dogs Percy and Nellie to. Dick has had his prostate removed and is suffering from complications following the surgery.

Jerry sought prayers for Jan and Elspeth who are following up the prayer cards. Asking for God's protection, wisdom and opportunities to share the gospel. Later in the week they asked for prayers for Len who was having chemotherapy for bone cancer also for strength for his wife and that funding for a new drug would become available.

Prayers were said for Doreen and Cynthia who were delivering Community Scene. Diana posted "Praying for all the families who receive the magazine that the articles in it speak to their hearts and make them search for the truth of the gospel."

Many folk have thanked people for responding quickly to prayer requests saying their prayers have brought strength in a time of need.

To join the ever growing WhatsApp Virtual Prayer Room text Jerry on 07733837687. You will need a smart phone.

Sunday's Match of the Day

The match between SBFC legends v the current team was played last Sunday. The current team was managed by Josh Hollebbon and the legends by Luke Marsh. At half time the score was 1-1, and the current team were 2-1 up early in the second half thanks to another goal from Jerry but the legends stormed back in the to win 4-2.



The Week at SBC

Monday

Church Open for Prayer

10.00 to 12noon

Monday Club

3.00 to 4.30pm In the Schoolroom

Tuesday

Coffee and Chat

9.30 to 11.30am In the Stables

Prayer for Revival

9.30am

Three Windows Brumstead Road

Wednesday

Over 60s Table Tennis Club

10th Anniversary

9.00am to Midday

In the Schoolroom. All Welcome

Prayers for the Persecuted Church

10.30 to 11.30am 6 St Johns Gardens

Thursday

Pop Up Café

3.00 to 4.30pm In the Schoolroom

Prayers for the Filling Station

7.30pm in the Stables

Focusing on the Hebron Concert

Friday

Food Bank and Citizens Advice

1.15 to 3.00pm In the Stables

Saturday

Getting together to PRAY!

8.00 to 9.00am In the Church

Hebron Concert

7.30pm in the Church

Sunday

Harvest Service 10.45am

Followed by a Harvest Supper and Auction on Monday 24th.

News Stand

Gospel Evening Saturday 13th October. SBC Singers and Musicians will host a gospel evening in the Sanctuary. Music, Bible readings and testimonies. Starting at 7.30pm. Donations for church funds taken on the night.

Prayer meeting for the Persecuted Church on Wednesday 19th September at 6 St. John's Gardens, 10.30-11.30 am.

The colour centre spread of the Community Scene magazine costing £151 was paid for by a member of the fellowship. This is the second time the project has been helped in this way and we are very grateful.

A big thankyou to all the folk who have delivered over 1600 copies of the Community Scene in the last few days.

Table Tennis 10th Anniversary

The over 60s Table Tennis Club that meets in the SBC Schoolroom is celebrating its 10th anniversary on Wednesday 19th September.

Play will start at 9.00am and Ron Skivington will give a short service at 10.10 am. Followed by, tea, cakes and biscuits, and then more table tennis till midday.

The club normally meets at 9.30am and finishes around midday.

Members and partners are having a celebratory lunch at the Poacher's Pocket Walcott on Wednesday September 26th.

For more information about the T.T. club phone

Alex on 07763116911.



Harvest Festival

As in previous years gifts of tins and packets will go to Foodbank, also a hamper to Empanda [the homeless young people's accommodation in Alan Meale Way]. All fruit and veg will be auctioned at the harvest supper and proceeds will be split between BMS and Operation Agri. Please leave your donations at the back of the Church.

Crystal has left a plan of the church at back of the church outlining the areas we would like people to be able to decorate for our Harvest weekend. Please either add your name or speak to Crystal.

Harvest Supper and Auction Monday 24th starts at 7.00pm in the Stables see Jane to book, £5 per ticket. 01692-582091

Talking Jesus

At the last church meeting we spoke about a course put together by HOPE to help us all be more natural in sharing our faith, this course is called Talking Jesus and we intend to start running it 2 weekly from Wednesday October 3rd in the Stables [or Schoolroom if prior Stables bookings]. This course is for all and we would encourage as many as possible to attend. It takes the form of watching short teaching sessions and then discussing points raised in small groups.

Each participant will be given the course booklet as a helpful aid.

If you have questions please speak to Diana and we hope to see you all on the October 3rd.

Baptism

WE have been blessed with three Baptisms this year. If you need any information about Baptism please talk to Ron.

Peter said to them, "Change your hearts and lives and be baptized, each one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ. Then God will forgive your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. This promise is for you. It is also for your children and for the people who are far away. It is for everyone the Lord our God calls to himself." Acts 2: 38-39 (ERV)

Next Week's Service

Flowers: Harvest
Welcome: Elizabeth and Maggie
Refreshments: Barbara and Ben

Saturday 29th September

Town Hall Stall 9.00am to 12.00am
[helpers always wanted] please speak to Ron if you can help.

Wednesday 3rd October

Talking Jesus 7.30pm in the Stables

Saturday 13th October

Gospel Evening 7.30pm

This Week's Ron's Extra Read

Genesis 18:16f

Quotes of the Week

"A friend's son was in the first grade of school, and his teacher asked the class, "What is the colour of apples?" Most of the children answered red. A few said green. Kevin, my friend's son, raised his hand and said white. The teacher tried to explain that apples could be red, green or sometimes golden, but never white. Kevin was quite insistent and finally said, "Look inside." Perception without mindfulness keeps us on the surface of things, and we often miss other levels of reality."
Joseph Goldstein, Insight Meditation

"The last thing Scripture should do is make you blind in the world. Instead, you hear everything, see everything, and feel everything because everything just so happens to point right back to it."
Criss Jami, Healology

"Self-serving biases and self-centered agendas are cotton jammed in the ears of our conscience. Even if truth shouts, we can't hear it."
Craig D. Lounsbrough

Yes, the minds of these people are now closed.

They have ears, but they don't listen.
They have eyes, but they refuse to see.
If their minds were not closed,
they might see with their eyes;
they might hear with their ears;
they might understand with their minds.
Then they might turn back to me and be healed.' Acts 28:27 (ERV)



**"The real voyage of discovery consists of not in seeking new landscapes but in having new eyes."
Marcel Proust**

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