

Stalham Baptist Church

Weekly News Bulletin Sunday October 14th 2018



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Today Ron is leading and is speaking on Mark 16:14-20

"Come and see to go and tell"

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 **Jane and Cynthia** in the prayer tent at the back of the Church. Please pray during October for the residents of **Teresa Road and Campingfield Lane**. As we pray through the Church Directory, please remember **Jean Mollett**. Also please pray for those we know who are unwell at home, in care homes or in hospital.

Virtual Prayer Room

On Monday 8th Victoria asked for prayers for Phoebe as her life saving heart operation had been brought forward to that afternoon. The surgeons told Miriam (Phoebe's mum) that the operation had gone smoothly. Prayers continued through the week as Phoebe struggled to recover. On Tuesday she was sedated as her oxygen and blood pressure levels dropped and she was in pain and the doctors weren't sure what was going on. By Wednesday Phoebe, who has Down's Syndrome, started to recover. Miriam said that Phoebe had told her "I a brave banana." Miriam thanked everyone for their prayers and support.

On Tuesday Ruth Hayward asked for prayers as they were still struggling to be re housed. Their current accommodation is totally unsuitable for Ruth in her present situation. They are also fighting hard to get Sammy into the right school. She said "We are really struggling at the moment."

On Wednesday Jerry requested prayers for Jan and Elspeth as they followed up the prayer cards.

Wednesday saw prayer sought for Fran, Maggie and her friend Sue who had started the pilgrimage walk Camino de Santiago. Maggie was starting further down the walk where she finished last year. Fran, who is walking alone with 6 kilos in her rucksack, started in France and had to cross the Pyrenees into Spain. She is hoping to walk 100miles in 14 days. On the first day she said "I trained quite hard for this but the track was really steep I was taking 6 steps forward and had to stop. For a time I thought I wasn't going to make it, I prayed to Jesus to give me a shove to the top and he did."

On Thursday Jerry asked for prayers for Sheena who was having an operation that morning. "Please pray for a positive outcome" he asked. Alan posted later that all had gone well and she was making good progress and sounds cheerful and asked for prayers for Sheena's full recovery.

Please continue to pray for those in need and support.

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

Baptism

We were blessed with three baptisms earlier this year. If you need any information about Baptism please talk to Ron

Peter said to them, "Change your hearts and lives and be baptised, 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)

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

9.30am to Midday

In the Schoolroom. All Welcome

House Group

50 Brumstead Road 7.00pm

Talking Jesus

7.30pm in the Stables

Thursday

Pop Up Café

3.00 to 4.30pm In the Schoolroom

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

Sunday

Sunday Service 10.45am

There will be no evening Prayer and Praise this month



Christmas Shoebox Appeal

Can you fill an empty shoebox with small items for the Christmas Shoebox Service?

A small shoebox can have a big impact. What goes into the box is fun, but what comes out is eternal.

Operation Christmas Child is part of the Samaritans Purse, which is an international development organisation that works through local churches to proclaim and demonstrate the love of God amongst



communities in Africa, Eastern Europe and Central Asia.

Leaflets, which detail items to be put in the boxes, are at the back of the Church.

The combined service with St Marys' Church is on Sunday 18th November at 3.00pm at St Marys Church.

For more information:

Contact Magda Nicholls on 01692 580002



Next Week's Service

Flowers: Liz Austrin

Welcome: Barbara and Maureen B

Refreshments: Rita and Gloria

Tuesday October 30th

Town hall stall 9.00am to midday

Saturday November 3rd

Leprosy Mission Coffee Morning

In the Stables 10am to 12.30pm

Sunday November 4th

Church Meeting 12.30pm

Joint Eastern Region Churches service at Park Baptist Church 7.00pm

Sunday November 18th

St Mary's Church

Combined Christmas Shoe Box Service

Sunday December 2nd

Christmas Street Fayre 1.00pm to 5.00pm

Talking Jesus How God Saved Two People

Kari Lynn Buchan wrote: I grew up in an abusive home. My mother was emotionally and verbally abusive to me my entire life. My relationship with God was also full of shame. I didn't think I was worthy of his love. But when I left home my relationship with God started to change. I started to realise I didn't need to earn His love; I began to pray for my mum and her salvation. Every time we'd chat on the phone, I'd ask her if I could pray for her. After several years of this she finally confided that she felt lost and lonely and in need of God. We prayed together and she accepted Jesus's love and asked for forgiveness for all her abuse towards me. Jesus rescued my abuser and I got to be there to witness her redemption. No one is too far gone. No one is out of reach of the Good News of Jesus.

The next session of Talking Jesus is this Wednesday starting at 7.30pm in the Stables. The first session of Talking Jesus was a huge success with around twenty people attending. The session was brilliantly led by Diana Gordon and included on screen inspirational real life scenarios of the difficulty of talking about Jesus at times. The short films led to a discussion about Talking Jesus and supported by a brilliant booklet with down to earth information. Don't worry if you missed the first evening each session is picking up on a different theme.

News Stand

Alpha: is a course that covers many topics relating to faith in Jesus and how to practice it beginning with the question "Who is Jesus?" We are running a course on Friday afternoons beginning 2nd November. If you are interested please speak to Ron.

Help required to clean and tidy the Church premises while Nancy (our cleaner) is on holiday weeks commencing 12th November and 19th November. If you can help for either or both these weeks please speak to Monica. (01692-580947)

Leprosy Mission Coffee Morning on Saturday November 3rd, with St. Mary's Church. This will be in the Stables from 10.00am until 12.30 mid-day.

Please can you make a note of the date and come and support those whose lives are blighted by this terrible disease. Please can you consider baking a cake to sell? Please speak to Barbara M, Eileen or David. Thank you.

Message on a football. Tony Rothe has published the story on the Network Norwich Christian web site, you can see it on https://www.networknorwich.co.uk/Articles/531763/Network_Norwich_and_Norfolk/Regional_News/East_Norfolk/Stalham_Baptists_sea_going_message.aspx

This Week's Ron's Extra Read

Psalms 67: 3-4 Psalm 16: 11

Quotes of the Week

"Love demands freedom. It always has, and it always will. We are free to resist, reject, and rebel against God's ways for us. We can have all the hell we want."

"When the gospel is understood primarily in terms of entrance rather than joyous participation, it can actually serve to cut people off from the explosive, liberating experience of the God who is an endless giving circle of joy and creativity."

"He talks of the life that will come from his own death, and he promises that life will flow to us in thousands of small ways as we die to our egos, our pride, our need to be right, our self-sufficiency, our rebellion, and our stubborn insistence that we deserve to get our way. When we cling with white knuckles to our sins and our hostility, we're like a tree that won't let its leaves go. There can't be a spring if we're still stuck in the fall. Lose your life and find it, He says. That's how the world works."

"This participation is important, because Jesus and the prophets lived with an awareness that God has been looking for partners since the beginning, people who will take seriously their divine responsibility to care for the earth and each other in loving, sustainable ways."

Rob Bell, Love Wins: A Book About Heaven, Hell, and the Fate of Every Person Who Ever Lived

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