

# Stalham Baptist Church

## Weekly News Bulletin 10th March 2019



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### Ron is leading and is preaching from James 2: 14 - 26

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

During March please pray for the residents of **Bullemer Close and Calthorpe Close**. As we pray through the Church Directory, please remember **Terry and Geraldine Smith** The businesses to pray for this month are **Flower Moments and Century Printing**.

Pray that a solution to the growing epidemic of stabbings in our country will be found. That the resources will be provided that will engage young people, helping them to break away from the grip of gangs and drugs.

Please pray for the family and friends of **Fred Darby** whose memorial service is at SBC on Wednesday 13th March.

God of wholeness, God of Grace, to you we bring our thanks and praise.

To a world that searches you are a lamp that shines,  
to a world that is hungry you are food that sustains,  
to a world that suffers you are hope of release,  
to a world that's broken you are one who restores,  
to a world full of hate you are love that forgives,  
to a world that denies you are truth that endures.

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John Birch [http://www.faithandworship.com/prayers\\_peace.htm](http://www.faithandworship.com/prayers_peace.htm)

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 **Sheena and Barbara** in the prayer tent at the back of the Church.

### Virtual Prayer Room

On Friday Victoria updated on Poppy's situation. Poppy has been in remission for 9 months her Nephrotic Syndrome only effects 1 in 50,000 children and there is no cure. Victoria has been asked if Poppy would take part in a research project which would help other children in Poppy's situation. Currently her treatment is raising the toxic levels in her body and will need to be reduced as there is a slight decline in her kidney function. Victoria has been advised that the treatment will have to be reduced to wean her off the treatment which could lead to an relapse. She said "We try to take this journey one step at a time."

Please continue to pray for Poppy.

On Wednesday Barbara Mixer asked for prayers for her friend Eileen whose daughter Lorraine had been losing lots of blood and was taken to N&N where she had an emergency operation.

Please continue to pray for those in need of support, prayers are always greatly appreciated.

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

### A Big Thank You

Daphne and Eric would like to thank everyone for their prayers, flowers, cards and kindness over the last few weeks.

### The Week at SBC

#### Monday

**Church Open for Prayer**

10.00 to 12noon

**Monday Club**

3.00 to 4.30pm In schoolroom

**Filling Station**

7.00 for 7.30pm Hickling Barns

#### Tuesday

**Coffee and Chat**

9.30 to 11.30am In the Stables

**Prayer for Revival**

9.30am Three Windows Brumstead Rd

#### Wednesday

**Over 60s Table Tennis Club**

9.30am to Midday

In the Schoolroom. All Welcome

**Fred Darby's Memorial Service**

12.30pm in the Church

**House Group**

7.00pm Brumstead Road

#### Thursday

**Lunch Club**

12.00 for 12.30pm In the Stables

**Pop Up Café**

3.00 to 4.30pm In the Schoolroom

#### Friday

**Food Bank**

1.15 to 3.00pm In the Stables

**Youth Pop Up Café**

7.00pm In the Schoolroom

#### Saturday

**Getting together to PRAY!**

8.00 to 9.00am In the Church

**Walking Group**

10.30 Womack Staithe

#### Sunday

Sunday service 10.45am

TO HELP A FRIEND IS REALLY GOOD.  
TO HELP YOURSELF IS ALSO REALLY  
GOOD. TO HELP A STRANGER IS THE  
VERY BEST

ART HOCHBERG

## Baptism

Last Easter Sunday the Church was blessed when Elaine Smith and Victoria Nicholson were baptised followed by Nancy King in May.

Believer's baptism is a very special moment on the journey of faith. It is a moment when God's presence and blessing meets us, and when we make our personal commitment of faith in Jesus as Lord. It signifies the end of our old life and of being born again to new life in Christ. It speaks of repentance and cleansing, of being united with Christ in his death and resurrection, and of witnessing to the call of God upon our lives. Baptism is also about receiving God's Spirit for service in the church and in the world. Please speak to Ron if you need more information.



## News Stand

**Deacons' Election, two Deacons will be retiring in April.** If you can think of someone who would be able to take on the responsibilities of being a deacon or would like to be considered yourself please speak to Geoff. Or have a look at the information at the back of the Church. We currently have only one nomination.

**Daffodil picking time** is now upon us and pickers are urgently needed. Please speak to John Applegate.

**On Saturday 6th April from 10 am-12 noon** in the Stables there will be a Coffee Morning/Cake Stall for the Leprosy Mission.

Whatever donations received will be doubled up by the Government. Collecting boxes for the Mission to David Huxter, please. Your support would be really appreciated.

**Help urgently needed** to ensure the Easter Edition of Community Scene reaches all the homes in Stalham between 30th March and 12th April. Because of holidays 140 need to be delivered to Broad Beach Gardens. Maybe a team of 2 or 3 deliverers could share the load. Smaller regular routes (Easter, Harvest and Christmas) also need to be filled. Also prayer card deliverers are always welcome! "Please see me if you can ensure this vital outreach work continues on a regular basis." Monica 01692-580947

**Fringe Festival stall on behalf of SBC** on Sunday May 26th. Rosina and Doreen are running a stall during the Stalham Fringe event.

They require baskets, tins, pasta, packets of food, any unwanted presents, anything new etc. and cuddly toys. There is a box at the back of the church for items.

Please talk to Rosina or Doreen on 01692 581597/581749.

**Sponsored Amble to support Revelation Resource Centre Norwich.**

Please sponsor us to keep the centre afloat. There are sponsor forms at the back of the church to sponsor Doreen, Janet and Henry who will be taken on the 3 mile amble.

**The guest speaker at Filling Station on Monday 11th March is Jill Gower.**

Jill came into full time ministry in 1996 through Bible teaching and prayer. In 2000 Call to Prayer was birthed enabling, encouraging and facilitating prayer, of which Jill is the director. She works very closely with church leadership across Norfolk and prayer ministries across the UK, especially Ffald-y-Brenin, and Bethel Sozo.

Jill regularly teaches and specializes in the Hebrew roots of our faith. She has a heart to see the Church working in unity and in the fullness of the Word of God, and the Jewish people honoured and respected. She has written several blessing booklets that have now gone across the nation and been translated into other European languages.

## Sunday March 17th Service

**Flowers:** Janet Nicholson

**Welcome:** Maureen and Cyril

**Refreshments:** Elaine and Maggie

### For Your Diary

**Thursday 28th March**

*Lunch Club in the Stables*

12.00 for 12.30pm

**Saturday 30th March**

*Town Hall Table*

9.00am to 12.00

**Sunday 31st March**

*Summer Time Starts 2.00am*

*Mothering Sunday*

**Saturday 6th April**

*Leprosy Mission coffee morning*

10.00am to 12.00 in the Stables

**Friday 14th April**

*Beetle Drive*

2.00 to 4.00pm in Schoolroom

## This Week's Ron's Extra Read

Matthew 7:20, Luke 10:25f,

John 8:31f, Genesis 15:1f

Genesis 22, Genesis 25

## Quotes of the Week

"We instinctively tend to limit for whom we exert ourselves. We do it for people like us, and for people whom we like. Jesus will have none of that. By depicting a Samaritan helping a Jew, Jesus could not have found a more forceful way to say that anyone at all in need - regardless of race, politics, class, and religion - is your neighbour. Not everyone is your brother or sister in faith, but everyone is your neighbour, and you must love your neighbour."

*Timothy Keller, Generous Justice: How God's Grace Makes Us Just*

"On the parable of the Good Samaritan: "I imagine that the first question the priest and Levite asked was: 'If I stop to help this man, what will happen to me?' But by the very nature of his concern, the good Samaritan reversed the question: 'If I do not stop to help this man, what will happen to him?'"

*Martin Luther King Jr., Strength to Love*

"A Spiritual Samaritan lives knowing that if we were to leave this world tomorrow, we were the best humans we could be and we touched the lives of as many souls as possible. We are not asked to be perfect. We are asked to make a difference."

*Molly Friedenfeld*

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