

Stalham Baptist Church

Weekly News Bulletin 12th May 2019



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Ministry Team: Whole Fellowship

Diana is leading and Steve English is preaching from Joshua 2 "Rahab and the Spies"

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.

Today Ron is at Gunton Baptist Church in Lowestoft

For Your Prayers

Sadly having come through her major surgery Liz Austrin passed away on Tuesday in hospital. No service details yet. Please pray for John and the family and for those others in the fellowship recently bereaved.

Please pray for the family of Jack Grimmer whose funeral is this week. Please pray for the residents of **Heron Gardens and Bramble wood**. As we pray through the Church Directory, please remember **John and Pauline White**. The businesses to pray for this month are **Cawdrons Butchers and The Furniture House**.

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.

God of Peace Sow seeds of hope in barren lands

By your Word love was established
In the beauty of each created thing,
That all might look to the mountains
And in their majesty find you.
In fertile fields and valleys
Crops and flocks would be tended,
Vineyards planted,
Communities grown,
Laughter heard

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By your Word humankind was given
The gift of true freedom
Within the safety of your love,
And chose independence.
By man's word are established
Ruler and slave,
Rich and poor,
Full and starving,
Weak and strong.

By man's word are established

Corruption and abuse,
Oppression and torture,
Selfishness and greed.
Within your garden,
Watered by your tears

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John Birch http://www.faithandworship.com/prayers_peace.htm

Virtual Prayer Room

On Thursday 2nd Maggie asked for prayers for her friend Annie whose brother Anthony had just had a massive heart attack. At the time the paramedic's were deciding whether Anthony should be taken to hospital by air ambulance to N&N. Maggie updated on Saturday that Anthony had two temporary stents inserted in his arteries and they were discussing inserting a third but the doctors were dealing first with fluid on his lungs.

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

The Week at SBC

Monday

Church Open for Prayer

10.00 to 12noon

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

Potter Heigham Study Group

7.30pm 30 St Nicholas Way

Wednesday

Over 60s Table Tennis Club

9.30am to Midday

In the Schoolroom. All Welcome

Study Group

7.30pm in the Stables

Thursday

Pop Up Café

3.00 to 4.30pm In schoolroom

Friday

Food Bank and Citizens Advise Service

1.15 to 3.00pm In the Stables

Saturday

Getting together to PRAY!

8.00 to 9.00am In the Church

Men's Breakfast

8.30pm in the Stables

Sunday Service

10.45am

Rivermead House Group

7.00pm

The greatest single cause of atheism in the world today is Christians who acknowledge Jesus with their lips and walk out the door and deny Him by their lifestyle.

That is what an unbelieving world simply finds unbelievable.
Brennan Manning



Filling Station

The next meeting of the Norfolk Broad Filling Station will be on Monday May 13th at the usual time of 7.00 for 7.30pm in the Hickling Barn. Our guest speaker is Mike Banks from Edinburgh who is a friend of Jane and Ron. Over the past couple of years there has been a revival in the Edinburgh area and Mike has been very much involved as this has developed. It will be particularly interesting to hear what he has to say following on from Tony Higton last month whose main focus was revival. We welcome everyone to our meetings so even if you have never been before come and give us a look. We can assure you of a warm and friendly welcome and a truly inspiring evening.

Pastoral Groups

Last Sunday we launched what we are calling Pastoral Groups to help our care and support for one another across the fellowship. Some are based on current house groups and most are headed up by one of the deacons. Please check on the notice board at the back of the church which group you are in or if not yet included please speak to Ron or Diana. We simply want to ensure more of us can put names to faces and that people for whatever reasons don't fall through the cracks. Thanks to everyone who took part and for your positive feedback and ideas.

Volunteer Request

We do not have anyone to do Refreshments for the first Sunday of the months of June, July and August. We are looking for two people each session. If you can help please contact Maggie on 01692 583121 or email maggie.harpur@yahoo.com. Thank you

Bulletin Information for Sunday 19th May 2019.

David will be away the week before above date. I will put together the Bulletin for the above date so if you have any information/articles please would you let me have them by Wednesday 15th May by 7pm? Thank you very much Maggie. Contact publicity@stalhambaptist.org.uk 01692 583121.

News Stand

"Early Bird Bible study group" @ Sutton Methodist Mondays 10.00am. Phone June White 01692-582562

The SBC Open is being held at Bure Park Pitch and Putt on Saturday 25th at 10.00am. If you are in your Tiger Woods mode then speak to Josh Hollebbon for more details 07515798479.

Fringe Festival stall on behalf of SBC on Sunday May 26th. Rosina and Doreen are running a stall during the Stalham Fringe event. They urgently 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 581597/07850459677

Fringe Festival at SBC. We will again be hosting choirs and musicians in the Church and workshops in the schoolroom during the Stalham Fringe festival on Sunday May 26th starting at 1.00pm and finishing at 5.00pm. Some help with tea, coffee and cakes would be useful.

The May Day fun afternoon was a big success with 51 walkers and runners taking part. More info in next week's bulletin.

Foodbank

During April SBC contributed 74.78kg of food which helped towards a monthly total of 2848.78kg. The food bank totally rely on donations, both food and financial, to operate and they are extremely grateful when people choose to support them.

During May, the following items would be particularly welcome:

Tinned Fruit, Tinned Tomatoes, Tinned Rice Pudding, Tinned Fish, Long Life Fruit Juice, Crisps, Chocolate, Deodorant, Shampoo.

Currently, they have excellent stocks of soup and baked beans, so they do not need those items at present, although any other items will be gratefully received. Please note that they cannot accept any fresh food or items that contain alcohol.

You will find a box at the back of the Church for donations.

Sunday Service May 19th

Flowers: Magda Nicholls
Welcome: Alan and Sheena
Refreshments: Rita and Iris

For Your Diary

Monday 20th May

2nd Holiday Club Meeting
7.00pm in the Stables

Tuesday 21st May

Little Fishes
10.00am Stalham Pre School

Thursday 23rd May

Lunch Club
12.00 for 12.30pm in the Stables

Friday 24th May

Youth Pop Up Café
7.00pm In schoolroom

Sunday 26th May

Stalham Fringe Festival
1.00 to 5.00pm

This Week's Steve's Extra Read

Joshua ch. 6, Joshua ch. 7 vs 20-26,
Joshua ch. 24 v 15 and
Hebrews ch. 11 v 3.

Quotes of the Week

By Brennan Manning

"Do you believe that the God of Jesus loves you beyond worthiness and unworthiness, beyond fidelity and infidelity—that he loves you in the morning sun and in the evening rain—that he loves you when your intellect denies it, your emotions refuse it, your whole being rejects it. Do you believe that God loves you without condition or reservation and loves you this moment as you are and not as you should be?"

"This is the God of the gospel of grace. A God who, out of love for us, sent the only Son He ever had wrapped in our skin. He learned how to walk, stumbled and fell, cried for His milk, sweated blood in the night, was lashed with a whip and showered with spit, was fixed to a cross, and died whispering forgiveness on us all."

"Define yourself radically as one beloved by God.

This is the true self. Every other identity is illusion."

beloved
1 John 4:19

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