Stalham Baptist Church

Weekly News Bulletin Sunday June 11th 2017

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Ministry Team: Whole Fellowship



We would like to offer a very big welcome to any visitors who have joined us this Sunday.

Please take a "Welcome" booklet and also would you kindly sign our visitor's 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.

Monday	12th	Church Open for Prayer Marvellous Monday Filling Station Peter Skivington Speaking	10.00am-12noon 3.00 - 4.30pm 7.30pm	Church Schoolroom Hickling Barns
Tuesday	13th	Coffee and chat Christianity Explored	9.30am -11.30am 7.30pm	Stables Three Windows Brumstead Road
Wednesday	14th	Over 60's Table Tennis House Group Study Group	9.30am - 12noon 7.00pm 7.30pm	Schoolroom 50 Brumstead Road Stables
Thursday	15th	Pop up Café	2.30 - 4.30pm	Schoolroom
Saturday	17th	Prayer Powerhouse	8.00am - 9.00am	Church (Side Door)
Sunday	18th	Church Service Prayer and Praise	10.45am 7.00pm	Church Church

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 **Eileen and Janet** at the back of the Church.

Please pray for the residents of **Old Yarmouth Road and Ingham Road** and for the family of **Ted Firman** whose funeral is at St Faiths on Monday.

Please pray that God will guide those elected to serve the people of Britain and that in the days and years to come they will unify the country rather than further divide it and secure for the next generation a legacy of choices based on informed awareness rather than one of reactions based on unknowing fear.

As we pray through the Church Directory, please remember Rita Rudrum.

Thetford Fulmerston Baptist Church. Since last November when we were last in the prayer diary, three new people have been coming along to church regularly and for a tiny church this is heartening. Two of the newer members of the fellowship are currently attending a local town wide Alpha. Overall, the fellowship is in good spirits, enjoying good Sunday fellowship and with some excellent visiting speakers as well.

Our weekly Tiny Tots Toddlers, Chat & Chill Coffee Mornings and Special Activities and Trips continue to be popular and there are discussions with the Mums about some kind of new group as well, but this requires wisdom.

Our church run Meeting Place group for older people meets fortnightly on a Wednesday and in addition (in partnership with other organisations) we now also host a weekly exercise class and an arts and well being group – thus meeting social, physical and creative needs.

Please also pray for three future events:

Firstly in early June we will be having a church meeting about next steps in the vision and future of the church. In particular we are going to need more time from experienced Christians because there are discipling needs we cannot currently meet.

Secondly, on the first weekend in July we are joining a larger church from Bury St Edmunds (for the second time) at their church weekend in Sizewell. What is lovely is that Andrew (who works for us one day a week) is the speaker!

Thirdly, on the second Saturday in July we are hosting a mini conference for small churches called — 'Small is Beautiful'. This is being organised by Tim Lovejoy from Fulmerston Church and Simon Goddard one of the regional team. The aim is to affirm, encourage and inspire all the saints who keep the small churches in the area going and do such valuable work.



Dates for your Diary

July Saturday 15th 60s Evening Fund Raising for Macmillan Nurses and Building Fund

July Saturday 29th BBQ with Pat and Alan proceeds to the Building Fund

Food Bank News

Cromer District Foodbank is part of The Trussell Trust's network of 428 foodbanks, working to tackle food poverty and hunger in our local communities, as well as across the UK.

The Foodbank Network was founded in 2004 after four years of developing the original foodbank based in Salisbury. Since then The Trussell Trust has helped communities work together to launch foodbanks nationwide in a wide range of towns and cities.

In 2015/16, The Trussell Trust's Foodbank Network provided 1,109,309 three-day emergency food supplies and support to UK people in crisis. Of these, over 400,000 went to children.

The Cromer and District Foodbank has fed 2858 people in 2016-17 which included 1035 children.

This May Stalham Baptist Church contributed 84.61KG of food which helped towards a total of 2015.36KG. Thank you once again for your generosity.

During June we would be very pleased to receive any of the following items:

Tinned Tomatoes, Tinned Vegetables, Tinned Potatoes, Pasta and Rice, Baked Beans, Instant Snacks – just add hot water varieties, Crisps, Long Life Milk – Semi skimmed or Full fat, Squash, Fruit Juice, Tinned Rice Pudding, Sponge Puddings, Tinned Fruit, Chocolate, Toilet Rolls, Shampoo, Washing Powder and Washing up liquid, Baby Nappies and Baby Wipes.

Any food donations will be welcome, but these items will be particularly appreciated.

If you would like to make a financial donation it would be most welcome. You can donate using cash, cheques, bank transfer or standing order. See the website for locations at https://cromerdistrict.foodbank.org.uk/locations/ Tim and Miranda Joint Project Managers info@cromerdistrict.foodbank.org.uk

If you need help or know someone in need in Stalham contact Rev Ron Skivington on 01692 582731 or Rev Simon Lawrence at St Marys' Church or you could also pop in and speak to CAB lady at the Stables on a Friday afternoon.

<u>Hustings:</u> Tuesday nights hustings was a huge success with around 130 in attendance. The three candidates and the audience provided a lively debate that was streamed live by Ally McGilvray of the EDP if you missed the debate you can catch it on https://www.facebook.com/NorthNorfolkNews/ A big thank you to all who helped organise the event.

JOHN WHITES THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Mark 10 vs. 35-39 "Asked" [vs.37]; "Invited" Luke 23 vs.43

Quote of the Week by Izzeldin Abuelaish

"The thing is, you cannot ask people to coexist by having one side bow their heads and rely on a solution that is only good for the other side. What you can do is stop blaming each other and engage in dialogue with one person at a time. Everyone knows that violence begets violence and breeds more hatred. We need to find our way together. I feel I cannot rely on the various spokespersons who claim they act on my behalf. Invariably they have some agenda that doesn't work for me. Instead, I talk to my patients, to my neighbours and colleagues--Jews, Arabs--and I find out they feel as I do: we are more similar than we are different, and we are all fed up with the violence." Izzeldin is a Canadian-Palestinian medical doctor born in 1955 and author. He was born in Gaza, and was the first Palestinian doctor to work in an Israeli hospital.

He was active in promoting Israeli-Palestinian reconciliation. His three daughters and a niece were killed by Israeli tank fire directed at his home.

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Next Week's Service Sunday 18th June

Flowers: Liz Austrin Welcome: Maureen and Maggie Refreshments: Rita and Iris

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