

Stalham Baptist Church

Weekly News Bulletin

Sunday September 17th 2017



Pastor: Rev. Ron Skivington

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Ministry Team: Whole Fellowship

Barbara is leading; Ron is preaching on Psalm 32, "Who wants to be happy?"

Today we celebrate the Lords Supper

We would like to offer a very big welcome to any visitors who have joined us this Sunday. Please take a "Welcome" booklet, 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	18th	Church Open for Prayer Monday Club	10.00am –12noon 3.00pm - 4.30pm	Church Schoolroom
Tuesday	19th	Coffee and chat	9.30am -11.30am	Stables
Wednesday	20th	Over 60's Table Tennis Joyce Caddick Memorial Service House Group	9.30am –12noon 2.00pm 7.00pm	Schoolroom Church 50 Brumstead Road
Thursday	21st	Lunch Club Pop up Café	12.15pm 3.00 - 4.30pm	Stables Schoolroom
Saturday	23rd	Prayer Time Harvest Fun Morning	8.00am - 9.00am 10am –12.00noon	Church (Side Door) Church complex
Sunday	24th	Harvest Festival Service	10.45am	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 **Cynthia and Jane** at the back of the Church. Please pray for the residents of **Millside, Lawns Loke and Railway Mews**. As we pray through the Church Directory, please remember **John and Pauline White**.

Remember also **Janet and Henry Nicholson and family**, Janet's mum Joyce Caddick's funeral is on Wednesday and also pray for the family of Stella Mixer whose funeral takes place this week at St Faith's

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.

Our **Community Scene** magazine has started to be distributed please pray that it will reach out to local people.

Cliff Park, Gorleston Baptist Church Cliff Park, Gorleston. *Cliff Park Community Church is an Anglican/Baptist Local Ecumenical Project in south Gorleston – and we lift them before the Lord with joy.*

Dates for your Diary

September	Sunday	24th	Sydney House Harvest Festival 3.30pm all welcome.
"	Saturday	30th	Free table at Town Hall 9.00am—12 noon. See Ron if you can help.
December	Saturday	2nd	Evening with Noel and Tricia Richards 7.00pm at SBC

ONE MILLION VOICES OF HOPE PETITION FOR SYRIA AND IRAQ.

Thank you to everyone who has already signed this petition. If you haven't already done so, please sign and ask others to sign it too.

The petition will be presented to the United Nations on 11th December and the UK government by 4th December. Forms are at the back of the church, thank you.

Noel and Tricia Richards in concert. We have only 100 tickets available for an evening of song and conversation on December 2nd at SBC starting at 7.00pm by the successful singer song writing duo Noel and Tricia Richards. **Entrance is by pre-ordered free tickets only.** Donations will be taken on the night and Interval refreshments will be available. See Diana Gordon for tickets and more information.

Saturday's Table Top Sale, raised £306 for the building fund a brilliant effort by every one involved. Thanks to all those who donated items for the SBC tables and booked a table for the event..

Harvest Festival Produce

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 are for the "BMS Wonderfully Made" project. Please leave your donations at the back of the Church.

Crystal could do with a few more helpful folk to decorate the church and the cross outside as we did for Easter.

A Harvest Appeal to support local people in crisis 2017

Harvest is traditionally a time of celebrating the crops being gathered in to provide food for the local community. This harvest, we are asking you to help feed and support local people in crisis by collecting specific non-perishable food and other items for **Cromer and District Foodbank**.

All food given out by the Foodbank is donated by generous members of the public and Cromer and District Foodbank would love you to be involved in helping people in need.

For this appeal we would be delighted to receive any of the following items:

Pasta sauce and pasta/rice - Tinned potatoes -Tinned rice pudding and sponge puddings -UHT Milk – Semi skimmed and full fat Fruit juice -Tinned fruit - Tea bags - Crisps - Savoury snacks – the just add hot water varieties

Food is essential, but only part of the picture. Families in crisis have needs we might take for granted and common requests include shampoo and loo rolls for example. Below is a list of items they ideally need, particularly things that will put a smile on a child's face, although any in-date non-perishable item would be appreciated and used:

Children's sweets and chocolate - Toilet rolls - Shower gel and shampoo—Deodorant - Baby nappies/pull-ups and baby wipes

At the moment Stalham Food Bank that operates from the Stables is supplying around 40 local people a month. Cromer Food Bank is part of the Trussel Trust in 2009/10 the Trust supplied 41,000 food parcels UK wide in 2016/17 this had risen to 1,182,954. This is a growing crises in the local area and nationally please help as the "Harvest is brought Home".

Harvest Festival Family Fun Morning

Not to be missed next Saturday morning starting at 10am and finishing around 12 our Harvest Family Fun Morning. Crafts, games, tea, coffee - cakes not forgetting the tractors on the car park. Last year's fun morning was a huge success so let's get all those young people to the Church.

Harvest Festival Supper and Auction

Harvest Supper and Auction Monday 25th starts at 7.00pm in the Stables see Jane or Edna to book, £5 per ticket. Last year's supper and auction raised £466 which went to support Syria's Forgotten Families camped in Lebanon.



Janet and Henry Nicholson would like to thank the fellowship for all the lovely cards and prayers following the death of Janet's mum, Joyce Caddick. The funeral is at Cromer Crematorium on Wednesday 20th at 11.00am followed by a memorial service at SBC at 2.00pm then refreshments in the Stables.

Monday Club, is open to reception to year 6 children (infants and the Academy) with lots of crafts, games, bible stories and always a welcome snack. There is no charge for this brilliant after school club. Contact Jenny Payne for more details on 01603-783901 or find information on www.stalhambaptist.org.uk

Pop up Café has a new time on Thursday 3.00pm - 4.30pm .

Maggie Harper Thought For The Week "How to Pray For Things We Want"

"Lord if it is pleasing to you please fulfil my request. If this will honour you, may it be done in your name. If it is good for me, grant that I may use it for your honour. But if you know that it will hurt me, please take the desire away from me."

Why pray like this? Because not every desire is inspired by Holy Spirit, even though it may seem right and good. Sometimes it is hard to tell whether a notion is an inspiration or temptation. Many have been deceived. Therefore every request must be made in humility, by submitting the entire matter to Him.

Taken from the Imitation of Christ by Thomas a Kempis.

Quote of the Week

"Maybe some of us don't like to say this, but those who are closest to the heart of Jesus, are the biggest sinners, because He looks for them, he calls to all: 'Come, come!' And when they ask for an explanation, he says: 'But, those who have good health do not need a doctor; I have come to heal, to save.'" *Pope Francis on Mercy and Reconciliation October 2013*

Ron's Reference 2 Samuel chapters 11 and 12.

A reminder from the media team please turn off your mobile devices as problems are caused by interference with their equipment.

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Deadline for the Bulletin is Wednesday 7:00pm. Or call David Child 07799262645.

Next Week's Service Sunday 24th September Harvest Festival

Flowers: Harvest **Welcome:** Elizabeth and Magda **Refreshments:** Gloria and Maggie