Stalham Baptist Church

Weekly News Bulletin Sunday October 8th 2017



Pastor: Rev. Ron Skivington **Assistant Pastor:** Jerry Otieno

Secretary: Geoff Reynolds 01692 672120

Ministry Team: Whole Fellowship

Barbara is leading and Ron is preaching Psalm 105

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.

Joint Service at Park Baptist Church Great Yarmouth 6.30pm. If you need transport speak to Ron.

Monday	9th	Church Open for Prayer Monday Club	10.00am - 12noon 3.00pm - 4.30pm	Church Schoolroom
Tuesday	10th	Coffee and chat	9.30am -11.30am	Stables
Wednesday	11th	Over 60's Table Tennis Stables Study Group all welcome	9.30am - 12noon 7.30pm	Schoolroom Stables
Thursday	12th	First School Harvest Festival Lunch Club Pop up Café	9.00pm 12.15pm 3.00 - 4.30pm	Church Stables Schoolroom
Saturday	14th	Prayer Time	8.00am - 9.00am	Church (Side Door)
Sunday	15th	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 **Cynthia and Jane** at the back of the Church.

Please pray for the residents of Dunkerley Court, Baker Street including Bakers Court and Sutton Terrace.

As we pray through the Church Directory, please remember Edna and Bill Woolsey.

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. **Hunstanton Union Baptist Church**. Since the beginning of the year, the Lord has blessed as well as challenged us in a number of ways. One of the biggest has been a changeover from a Wednesdays coffee morning & sale to a Weds Community Café. The hall where this takes place was repainted, a small wall pulled down and new chairs purchased to complement the colour scheme to create a café look. We felt very strongly that the emphasis should be on outreach and to achieve this we have a Thought For The Day scripture passage on a blackboard each week and books & gifts on sale from our local Christian Book Shop.

While we still have a small sale of paperbacks, plants, bric a brac etc, the main aim is to provide a place for 2 hours for any to come in and enjoy drinks & a large selection of cakes and the opportunity to chat in a friendly environment. We have a kitchen team serving refreshments and our minister and others available to mingle and talk to anyone as well as our CAP Manager meeting clients there.

Dates for your Diary

November	Sunday	5th	Church meeting 12.30pm
u	Saturday	11th	Murder Mystery Evening
u	Sunday	12th	Remembrance Service.
u	Sunday	19th	Shoebox Service St Marys' Church 3.00pm
December	Saturday	2nd	Evening with Noel and Tricia Richards 7.00pm at SBC
u	Wednesday	18th	Swan Inn Carol Service

Evening with Noel and Tricia Richards.

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.

Prayer in Action. Poppy Nicholson ended up in hospital on Tuesday night and thanks to the SBC WhatsApp virtual prayer room, a request for prayers was posted around 10.00pm that evening and within minutes people responded with prayer for Poppy and with regular updates the prayers continued. She came home on Thursday and Daniel and Victoria would like to thank all of the fellowship that prayed for Poppy at a very worrying time. They ask that you continue to pray for her. Please pray that her treatment works, that she doesn't suffer any side effects, doesn't relapse and please pray for her to feel more comfortable as she is likely to get worse before she gets better. To join the prayer room contact Jerry on 07733837687.

Coffee Morning with Bring and Buy and Cake Stall. For The Leprosy Mission on Saturday 21st October from 10.am until midday. The coffee morning will be in the Stables and is a joint effort with St. Mary's Church.

Next Weeks Bulletin Sunday 15th October. If you have any items for next weeks bulletin please give them to Geoff Reynolds. Or email publicity@stalhambaptist.org.uk you can also telephone him on 01692 672120.

Thought For The Week

It was the 17th-century writer Blaise Pascal who said, "Inside of every man there is a God-shaped vacuum that only God can fill." It is also said that if you leave a vacuum something will fill it, so what fills the vacuum in a materialistic celebrity world. Luke makes the outcomes clear Luke 9.25 Jesus was tempted Matthew 4.8.

So how do we reach out and help the community fill that vacuum with Jesus's love.

Quotes of the Week

Sometimes we make being happy so difficult. And being thankful such a chore." Carew Papritz, The Legacy Letters: his Wife, his Children, his Final Gift

"If you have food on your table, clothes on your back, a roof on your head, and a dream in your heart, you have everything you need in life." Matshona Dhliwayo

"Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18" Melanie Dickerson, The Golden Braid

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.

Ron's Read

1 Chronicles 16:7-22

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 Mary's Church is on Sunday 19th November at 3.00pm at St Marys Church.

For more information:

Contact Magda Nicholls on 01692 580002



Items for the Bulletin, our web site and Facebook page can be sent to publicity@stalhambaptist.org.uk Deadline for the Bulletin is Wednesday 7:00pm. Or call Geoff Reynolds 01692 672120.

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Flowers: Barbara Reynolds Welcome: Jill and Elinor Refreshments: Rita and Elaine

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