

Stalham Baptist Church

Weekly News Bulletin Sunday March 4th 2018



Pastor: Rev. Ron Skivington 01692 582731

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Ministry Team: Whole Fellowship

Barbara will be leading and Norma Huxter is talking about "The Lady at the Well"

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 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

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 **Diana and Maggie** in the prayer tent at the back of the Church.

Please pray for the residents of **The Staithe, Mill Road and Chapelfield.**

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. Pray for those around the world trapped in conflict with no escape. Please pray for the forthcoming **AGM** that God will bless us with foresight in nominating and electing Deacons. Prayers for **Jasmine Desmond** as her mum Chris's funeral is on Monday 5th March in Eastbourne.

Virtual Prayer Room

This week Jerry and Simone thank everyone for their prayers for the Youth pop Up Café. Prayers were said for Sandra Feek who had a procedure at Addenbrookes Hospital. Jerry and Simone asked for prayers for their friends **Caleb and Nicole** who had identical triplet boys and that there would be no complications. Caleb says **"My wife and I and our son prayed for another child and then, I like to say, God answered everybody's prayer: one, two and three."**



Mark Stone may have a blocked artery leading to his transplanted kidneys and is awaiting a scan which may result in another procedure at Addenbrookes.

Brian Jarvis was prayed for on the day of his biopsy. Prayers were also said for **Matt** who was having two and half hours of dental treatment in North London and for his safe travel. Matt returned to his home safety although he looked like he had been in a boxing match.

Paul, a young man who had been recently released from prison and after leaving a scheme for ex-offenders was "sofa surfing" with friends while he tries to find a home and a job, was prayed for. While in prison Paul became an active member of the chapel and received a glowing reference from the chaplain.

There were continued prayers for **Poppy** whose Nephrotic syndrome has flared up again. She will be starting a new treatment for this incurable kidney illness.

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

Men's breakfast on the 10th March at 8.30am in the Stables, speaker, Shaun Cussion. Please let Alan know if you want to come. Email at alan.jarman10@gmail.com or text me on 07982916992.

What's On This Week

Monday

Church Open For Prayer

10.00 to 12noon

Monday Club

3.00 to 4.30pm In the Schoolroom

Tuesday

Coffee and Chat

9.30 to 11.30am In the Stables

Prayer for Revival

9.30am

Three Windows Brumstead Road

Potter Heigham Study Group

7.30pm

30, St Nichols Way

Wednesday

Over 60s Table Tennis Club

9.30 to 12noon

In the Schoolroom

House Group

7.00pm 50 Brumstead Road

Study Group

7.30pm In the Stables

Pop Up Café

3.00 to 4.30pm In the Schoolroom

Thursday

Filling Station Prayers

7.30pm In The Stables

Friday

Food Bank and Citizens Advice

1.15 to 3.00pm In The Stables

Tapas Evening

7.00pm in the Stables

Saturday

Men's Breakfast

8.30am in the Stables

Getting together to PRAY!

8.00 to 9.00am In the Church

(please use the side door)

Sunday

Church Service 10.45am



Lady at the Well

Youth Pop Up Café A Quick Update

Ellie Feek writes. We have had 5 YPUC's now and it is growing every month. On Friday 25th we had 20 high school students! Yay!

The YPUC is supported by money raised at the Thursday Pop Up Cafe, £212 has been donated so far which is fantastic! This enables us to place value on our young people and buy food for the cafe, art materials and equipment to make it a special night.

We want to say a massive thank you to Cynthia and Lorraine and all the volunteers and awesome cake maker extraordinaires who work so hard every week.

We need 2 people to help Ellie & Carl at the YPUC on APRIL 20TH as Jerry & Simone are away. If you can help or would like to be part of the Pop Up Cafe team, please speak to Cynthia, Lorraine or Jerry and Simone.

The next Youth Pop up Café is on March 23rd. More information can be found on <https://www.facebook.com/popupstalham/>

Tapas Evening in the Stables Is Now Friday 9th



With the roads full of wind driven snow, Maggie unable to escape from East Ruston and with no electricity! The Tapas Evening has been rescheduled for Friday 9th. At 7.00pm. There will be traditional Spanish food and a PowerPoint presentation given by Maggie Harpur, sharing her experiences of walking along the **Camino de Santiago**

Compostela across northern Spain. Although the Camino is a major Christian pilgrimage from the foothills of the French Pyrenees to Santiago, a journey of 500 miles, thousands of people from all over the world walk it for many different reasons.

You can still book if you would like to attend by contacting **Lorraine Stuart on 01692 678058** for catering purposes. Donations may be given to Stalham Baptist Church Building Fund.

Deacon Nomination

Our church AGM will be on Thursday 26th April at 7.30pm. We have one deacon coming to the end of their 3 year term. Please pray and consider carefully if there is anyone you should be nominating to serve as a deacon. A full copy of the constitution and an enlarged copy of the relevant passage concerning deacons, plus nomination forms, plus a list of all current deacons and their serving periods are available on the notice board at the back of the church. Nominations have to be with Geoff Reynolds by April 8th.

The Lunch Club could do with volunteer drivers and helpers in the kitchen please. For details as to what all is involved contact Dorothy on 01692 583373.

We are hoping to have a baptism as part of our Easter Sunday service - if anybody would like to discuss baptism speak to Ron. Matthew 28:19 "Baptize them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit."

For Your Diary

Next Week's Service

Flowers: Mothering Sunday
Welcome: Robert and Christine
Refreshments: Alan and Sheena

Monday March 12th

Filling Station

7.30pm in Hickling Barns

Saturday 31st March

Bounce For Harry

10.00am to 12 noon In the Stables

Saturday 14th April

Leprosy Mission Coffee Morning

10.00am to 2.00pm In The Stables

Thursday 26th April

Church AGM

Prayers at 7.00pm

Meeting Starts at 7.30pm

Extra Read

Luke 17:20-21

Thought For The Week

"If we only had eyes to see and ears to hear and wits to understand, we would know that the Kingdom of God in the sense of holiness, goodness, beauty is as close as breathing and is crying out to born both within ourselves and within the world; we would know that the Kingdom of God is what we all of us hunger for above all other things even when we don't know its name or realize that it's what we're starving to death for.

The Kingdom of God is where our best dreams come from and our truest prayers.

We glimpse it at those moments when we find ourselves being better than we are and wiser than we know. We catch sight of it when at some moment of crisis a strength seems to come to us that is greater than our own strength.

The Kingdom of God is where we belong. It is home, and whether we realize it or not, I think we are all of us homesick for it."

Frederick Buechner

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