Stalham Baptist Church

Weekly News Bulletin Sunday May 20th 2018

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Today Ron is leading and is speaking from Acts 2: 14f Today Nancy King is to be baptised

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.

Prayer and Praise in the church at 7.00pm

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 Sheena and Barbara in the prayer tent at the back of the Church. Please pray during May for the residents of Portalfield and Teresa Court Flats.

As we pray through the Church Directory, please remember Margert Fisher. Please keep **Jean Mollett and family** in your prayers. John died earlier this week and his thanksgiving service will be held here on Tuesday 29th May at 1.00pm. All welcome and Jean requests no black.

Also 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.

Father bless Nancy as she starts a new journey in Your love with her baptism today.

Virtual Prayer Room

On Saturday 12th Ruth posted a prayer request for Christine and Robert Emerson whose car had been badly damaged by another vehicle crashing into them from behind. Both were OK but badly shaken by the accident. On Monday prayers were requested for **Amy** who had started her GCSE exams. Jan Slade invited prayers for Steve who is suffering from a painful leg ulcer and

Tuesday Jenny posted a request for her mother Jean who lives in the North of England and had fallen in the early hours of the morning but couldn't get to the phone until 4.00pm in the afternoon. She also asked for prayers for her niece who was about to give birth to a sick baby. People prayed that Jenny would have a safe journey as she travelled North. Jenny updated the prayer room that her mum had not suffered any fractures and said "Thanks again for your prayers, makes such a difference."

Jan and Elspeth asked that people pray as they followed up the prayer cards that had been delivered and Jan and Elspeth asked for prayers for Rachel who they left a bible with.

On Wednesday morning prayers were said for Jean Mollet and family on the loss of John Mollet.

Victoria Nicholson updated Poppy's situation. Her new treatment was going well but Poppy was facing a blood test on Thursday to see if the dosage was correct. Victoria asked "Please pray, that the levels of the new drug in her system are not too high and it is not having any negative effects on her body. Wednesday evening, prayers were said for Doreen who had been deeply affected by her friend's Penney's death, whose funeral was the next day. She wanted to thank all those who helped her through a difficult evening and night. Doreen asked for prayers for Penney's young children, wider family, parents and sister. Prayers were asked for **David's** elder sister who went to the Lord early on Thursday morning and also her husband who is unwell.

The virtual prayer room supports people within minutes with collective prayer and as Jenny said "They make a huge difference" Doreen said on Friday morning "Thanks for the prayers, I felt them lifting me during yesterday. What a wonderful thing this Virtual Prayer Room is."

A big thank you to Jerry whose concept the virtual prayer room was, this week like many other times it brought comfort to people quickly when they needed it most. To join the ever growing WhatsApp Virtual Prayer Room text Jerry on 07733837687. You will need a smart phone.

This Week at SBC

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

Wednesday Over 60s Table Tennis Club

9.30 to 12noon In the Schoolroom All Welcome

Little Fishes at Pre School 10.00am

> Thursday Pop Up Café

3.00 to 4.30pm In the Schoolroom

Friday

Food Bank and Citizens Advice 1.15 to 3.00pm In The Stables

Saturday Getting together to PRAY! 8.00 to 9.00am In the Church

Sunday Sunday Service 10.45am





Big Thank You From Norma

Norma's birthday party was a huge success with around 40 people attending for a lovely afternoon buffet followed by a sensational musical event created by professional singers Il-Tenore and Forest pictured left. Norma asked for donations to the General Fund instead of gifts. The donations came to an amazing £229 The performers have agreed to return to SBC for a fund raising event. Norma and David sent their love and said. "I am

overwhelmed by the love and support shown me yesterday for my birthday celebration. None more so than to wonderful, specially made card, signed by the church members. I will treasure this for ever.

Just to say I had a wonderful day, both at the breakfast and later on with the buffet and entertainment.

So glad everyone enjoyed themselves, it made my day. Hope we can do it again, I hope it was all glorifying to God too.

Many thanks to everyone."

(Editors comment. Thank you Norma, the food was lovely and the singers quite brilliant looking forward to hearing them again)

Stalham Fringe

The Stalham Business Forum is organising a Fringe event on Sunday June 3rd from 11.00am to 5.00pm.

The High Street, St. Mary's and the Town hall will host various musical and dance acts. SBC is supporting the event by hosting some musical events in the church from 1.00pm which is likely to include a Gospel Choir, African Drummers and Greg doing his one man band act. The school room will be a base for dance workshop.

Some volunteer's for teas and coffees etc would be useful.

Gift Aid Raising More Money For SBC

Did you know your charity donations can be increased by the taxman? A system called Gift Aid will add a percentage on top of your donation according to the tax band your income falls into.

Gift Aid is an income tax relief designed to benefit charities such as SBC. If you're a UK taxpayer, Gift Aid increases the value of your charity donations by 25%, because the charity can reclaim the basic rate of tax on your gift – at no extra cost to you. This will help SBC put several thousands of pounds into the general fund. It doesn't matter how small or large your donations are. You can get more information from Greg Chapman.

News Stand

The SBC Open is being held at Bure Park Pitch and Putt on Saturday 26th at 10.00am. If you are in your Tiger Woods mode then speak to Josh Hollebon for more details.

Town Hall Free Table is on Tuesday 29th May from 9.00–12 midday. If you can help for some of the time in the morning have a chat with Ron.

Trumpet Call 2018. A National Day of Prayer for our Nation on Saturday 9th June, 11am-5pm at The International Convention Centre, Broad St, Birmingham. Speakers include R.T.Kendall, Malcolm Duncan, Ian Cole and Yinca Oyekan. See Flyer on Noticeboard.

A coach has been booked by Call to Prayer to take people to the event and will leave Norwich at 7am. If anyone is interested please speak to Janet.

The SBC Walking Club is meeting on Saturday May 26th at 10.00am in the Methodist car park in Hickling for a stroll around Hickling. More details from Barbara Mixer; you can call her on her new number 01692-598502.

SBC Breakfast Club for schoolchildren on Wednesdays from 7.45 to 8.30am starting on 6th June. If you would like to help, or could provide a non-perishable item for the club (list at the back of the church), please see Jenny, Sue or Barbara R - or sign on the list at the back of the church.

If you need any information about Baptism please talk to Ron.

Peter said to them, "Change your hearts and lives and be baptized, each one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ. Then God will forgive your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. This promise is for you. It is also for your children and for the people who are far away. It is for everyone the Lord our God calls to himself." Acts 2: 38-39 (ERV)

Next Week's Service
Flowers: Monica Payne
Welcome: Liz and Magda
Refreshments: Gloria and Rita

Coming Soon

Wednesday 23rd May

Prayers for Persecuted Church
6 St Johns Gardens
10.30 to 11.30am

Saturday 26th May

SBC Golf Open

Bure Park Pitch and Putt 10.00am

Sunday 27th May

Sydney House Service
3.30pm All very welcome.

Tuesday 29th May

Town Hall Free Table 9.00 to 12noon

Sunday June 3rd

The Stalham Fringe Stalham High Street 11 to 5.00pm

This Week's Ron's Read
1 Corinthians 14:16-17, 23-25,
Numbers 13-14

Quotes of the Week

As a good gardener prepares the soil, so a wise leader creates an environment that promotes community. ... community involves a common place, a common time, and a common purpose. Just getting people in the same place at the same time does not produce a team. Community requires a common vision.

Diane Dreher

It always takes a group of people working together with a common purpose in an atmosphere of trust and collaboration to get extraordinary things done.

James M. Kouzes

The believers shared a common purpose, and every day they spent much of their time together in the Temple area. They also ate together in their homes. They were happy to share their food and ate with joyful hearts. The believers praised God and were respected by all the people. More and more people were being saved every day, and the Lord was adding them to their group.

Acts 2: 46-47 (ERV)