

Stalham Baptist Church

Weekly News Bulletin Sunday June 3rd 2018

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Today Barbara Reynolds is leading Ron preaching from Mark 2:23-28 "What's the sabbath for anyway?"

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 **St Mary's Road and Brecklands**.

As we pray through the Church Directory, please remember **Maggie Harpur**. 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.

Virtual Prayer Room

On Sunday 27th prayers continued for Wendy who came out of hospital for the day but had to return due to the pain, the radio therapy has not had any effect and her pain relieve has been increased. Prayers were also sought for Wendy's husband and son by Robert Emerson.

On Tuesday prayers were said for Steve Slade who was going to see a doctor about his foot. Prayers were also said for Daphne H who was due to have an operation on her neck on Friday.

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

Stalham Baptist Church and GDPR Information

SBC, like all other churches and organisations, has to meet the new General Data Protection Regulation which came into effect on the 25th May 2018. To that end we have a Privacy Policy which will be permanently displayed on the church notice board and web site, www.stalhambaptist.org.uk/privacy.php please read the policy statement.

All personal data we currently hold comes under "legitimate interest and necessary for us as a church to carry out our pastoral roles" However we intend updating our directory and will be contacting all in the church family to confirm certain details. When completed the directory will be available to those in it as a paper copy and/or in the members only section of the church website.

What's on at SBC during the Stalham Fringe

Come and support this afternoon what's happening at SBC.

Greg will be performing as a one man band at 1.00pm it would be good if we could give him a big welcome for all the work he has put into his act.

At 1.30 pm by Maggie Day and David Morgan. At around 2.00pm will be the Reed Warblers choir and at 3.15pm the outstanding Happy Days Gospel Choir.

In the Schoolroom you can watch or join in with the Longsword Workshop with Pennie and Cliff, 1pm to 2.30pm. From 3.00pm to 3.45pm you can watch or join in with the Norfolk Step Dance Workshop.

On top of all that's happening at SBC there is 32 other musical events throughout the High Street as well as craft activities.

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

This Week at SBC

Monday

Church Open For Prayer
10.00 to 12noon

Deacons Meeting
7.30pm

In the Stables

Tuesday

Coffee and Chat

9.30 to 11.30am In the Stables

Wednesday

First Breakfast Club

The Stables

7.45 to 8.30am

Over 60s Table Tennis Club

9.30 to 12noon

In the Schoolroom

All Welcome

Thursday

Filling Station Prayers

7.30pm

In the Stables

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



News Stand

Some volunteer's for teas and coffees etc would be useful for this afternoons fringe event currently there is only Fran helping Jane Skivington. Please speak to Jane if you can help.

The Filling Station

On Monday June 11th at 7.30pm at Hickling Barn's Graham Walker from Open Doors will be speaking about the charities work. Open Doors works in over 50 countries, supplying Bibles, training church leaders, providing practical support and emergency relief, and supporting Christians who suffer for their faith. In the UK and Ireland Open Doors works to raise awareness of global persecution, mobilising prayer, support and action among Christians.

So-called Islamic State has claimed responsibility for a shooting in a Russian Orthodox Church in Chechnya's capital, Grozny, where a church member was killed.

21st May 2018. Four men broke into the Russian Orthodox Church on Saturday during a service. There were approximately 30 people inside when the attack started. Seven people were killed in the attack - two police officers who were guarding the church, one church member and the four militants. Two more security officers and another church member were injured. They are now recovering in hospital.

The attack on the church was planned; the attackers intended to capture the church with all the worshippers inside.

Increased tensions during Ramadan

The attack took place just days after the start of Ramadan. Christians in areas where Islamic extremists are operating often experience increased violence during Ramadan, because the Quran says good deeds are 'given manifold reward' at this time, which is used to justify attacks by Islamic extremists.

And yet, Ramadan is also a time when Muslims around the world are particularly seeking God, and we often hear stories of Muslims having dreams and visions of Jesus during this time and coming to faith. If you would like to spend time in prayer for the Muslim world as Muslims observe Ramadan, order a free copy of *30 days of prayer for the Muslim world*. <https://www.opendoorsuk.org/>

Christians and Muslims in Marawi unite during Ramadan as the Philippines recovers from Islamist violence

16 May 2018. Christians and Muslims in the battle-scarred city of Marawi, in the southern Philippines, started the Islamic month of fasting together this week, as part of a local tradition dating back almost 40 years.

Christian families have been encouraged to 'accompany their Muslim neighbours in fasting, prayer and service to the poor', and 'to sacrifice one meal in any day of Ramadan and to donate the cost of the meal to the rehabilitation of Marawi communities'.

The tradition, known as 'Duyog Ramadan', or 'One With Ramadan', dates back to 1979, and is 'an appreciation of the early memories' of Muslim and Christian interaction in the city, local bishop Edwin de la Pena explained.

He said this year's Ramadan would be an opportunity to promote peacebuilding involving Muslim and Christian youths in the troubled Mindanao region, to which Marawi belongs.

Forging unity

On 23 May last year, three days into Ramadan, the Philippine city of Marawi was overrun by the Maute group, an affiliate of the self-proclaimed Islamic State (IS). It took only a few days for the city to be overrun, but several months for it to be liberated. During this time, 98 per cent of Marawi's population were displaced. Those who couldn't recite the Muslim prayers were executed.

"This year's Ramadan is a celebration of victory against individuals and groups who intended to destroy the unity we're forging between Christians and Muslims," said Reynaldo Barnido, who leads a rehabilitation project in the city.

Next Week's Service

Flowers: Barbara Reynolds
Welcome: Maureen B and Maggie
Refreshments: Maureen K and Jane

Coming Soon

Monday June 11th

The Filling Station

Hickling Barn

7.30pm

Watch this space for details of Pat and Alan Dabbs summer BBQ in July.

Also the Helen Shapiros concert at SBC on Saturday 22nd September.

This Week's Ron's Read

Mark Chapter 2

Quotes of the Week

In the end it is always the people that matter the process is subservient to the people, not the other way around. But in our ever growing one-size fits all process world the process is grinding down the people on the edges, they become expendable to the process and demonised.

Franky Dilch The Journey to Here

"I thought I could describe a state; make a map of sorrow. Sorrow, however, turns out to be not a state but a process."

C.S. Lewis, A Grief Observed

"The unlike is joined together, and from differences results the most beautiful harmony." Heraclitus

"Politics is pointless if it does nothing to enhance the beauty of our lives."

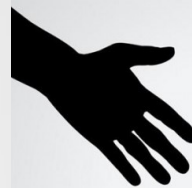
Howard Zinn, You Can't Be Neutral on a Moving Train: A Personal History of Our Times

If the misery of the poor be caused not by the laws of nature, but by our institutions, great is our sin

Charles Darwin

"All things are lawful," but not all things are helpful. "All things are lawful," but not all things build up.

1 Corinthians 10:23 (ESV)



We can't help everyone, but everyone can help someone



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