

Stalham Baptist Church

Weekly News Bulletin

Sunday 19th April 2026



Diana is leading and Ron is preaching on Matthew 6:1-4, 16-21 "God sees all"

WE ARE NOW RECORDING OUR LIVE SERVICE

The live service is now fully working and will be available a few hours after the service in the SBC Facebook you can find it in the <https://www.facebook.com/stalhambaptist/> or in the SBC Website

www.stalhambaptist.org.uk

Ron's Reads

Lk 16:1f, Mt 25:35f, Lev 16:29-31, Esther 6:1f, Prov 13:22, 2 Cor 12:14

Deacons Elections

Five deacons were appointed on Sunday 12th. Diana Gordon, David Child, Stuart Cato, John Vinter and Jean Bloomfield.

Virtual WhatsApp Prayer Room

Thursday 9th April Jane posted "Real answer to prayer for Angela 's mum. The hospital have sorted her out and she will hopefully be able to go home tomorrow, she really appreciated our prayers."

Friday 10th David posted "Please pray for my son Marc who is in Norfolk and Norwich University"

Saturday 11th Semone posted "Please continue praying for Angela and her mum. Angela had a full-blown heart attack whilst in the CT scanner and had an emergency surgery to fit her with a titanium stent. She's feeling much better than she did yesterday, that's for sure.

Angela's mum is in hospital and being discharged this afternoon."

Also, on Saturday Geoff posted "Please include my cousin David in your prayers. He has had treatment over several years for a brain tumour and although it has restricted what he can do he has kept going.

He recently had some seizures and Addenbrookes decided to operate.

David lost use of one arm and his speech but was gradually improving until a setback this week. Please pray he may improve again. Thanks."

Ron's Podcast Based on Luke 16:19f

16 Jesus told his disciples: "There was a rich man whose manager was accused of wasting his possessions. ²So he called him in and asked him, 'What is this I hear about you? Give an account of your management, because you cannot be manager any longer.'

³"The manager said to himself, 'What shall I do now? My master is taking away my job. I'm not strong enough to dig, and I'm ashamed to beg— ⁴I know what I'll do so that, when I lose my job here, people will welcome me into their houses.'

Ron starts his podcast saying: "I thought I would treat you to the workings of the pastor's mind. There I was a-digging this hole, a hole in the ground, So big and sort of round it was.

There was I digging it deep, It was flat at the bottom, And the sides were steep

When along comes this bloke in a bowler, Which he lifted and scratched his head Well, he looked down the hole, poor demented soul and he said "do you mind if I make a suggestion?" Don't dig there, Dig it elsewhere, you're digging it round and it ought to be square. So sang Bernard Cribbens many years ago."

To listen to Ron's 5 min podcast click www.stalhambaptist.org.uk/ "Our Weekly Bible Commentary" Or go to WhatsApp SBC Prayers

EBA Weekly Prayer Focus Union Church

Union Church is situated in the coastal town of Hunstanton, in northwest Norfolk. The Church is a union of Baptist and U.R.C. The church, is being by led Revd. Chris Collict with some very capable Deacons, following 6 years in an interregnum, which brought a mix of blessings and challenges. Union has 24 active, mature members, with 40 people in regular attendance, along with some four-legged friends, as the church is dog-friendly! The Summer months bring in many Tourists. The church runs two Bible Study groups; Fabulous Fridays Fellowship follows a more traditional approach, and the Tuesday group uses creative ways to approach God's word. The ladies in the church meet monthly for fellowship and Afternoon

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For Your Diary

Monday 20th April

9.00am Zoom Deacons Prayers

10.30-11.30 Prayers for SBC & Young People

11.00am Funeral Jane Byrne in the church

2.00-4.00pm Warm Space in Stables

7.00pm Bereavement Support Group in the Stables

Tuesday 21st April

9.30am -12 Coffee and Chat in the Schoolroom

Wednesday 22nd April

9.30am - 12pm Table Tennis in the Schoolroom

10-12pm Warm Space in the Stables All welcome

7.00pm Zoom Prayers

all welcome for more information speak to Diana

Thursday 23rd April

10 to 12 pm Warm Space in Stables

Friday 24th April

10.15 to 12.00pm Prayers for Revival & Israel at Three Windows, Brumstead Road

1.15 to 3pm Foodbank in Stables & Citizens Advice

2 to 4pm Enjoy a Fun Quiz and also Tea & Cake in the Schoolroom

5.30pm Youth Worship in the Schoolroom

Saturday 25th April

8.30am Men's Breakfast in the Schoolroom

10-30-12.00 Repair Cafe info session in Schoolroom

Sunday 26th April

10.45 Sunday Service

Welcome: Magda & Henry Flowers: Barbara Reynolds

Community Fridge

Open: Monday 2.00 -4.00 pm Tues- Fri 10-12.00 pm

The Sermon on the Mount

**GIVE TO THE
NEEDY**

Matthew 6:1-4

Tea, while the men meet regularly for breakfast. Part of the church's ministry is joining up with the other churches in the area on a regular basis to celebrate major dates on the Christian calendar such as Easter and Christmas but also to bring "church" outdoors through Songs of Praise-style worship. Baptisms have been held in the summer months on the beach as a public witness of how God transforms lives.

The church hosts Guides, Brownies, and Rainbows, with Parade Services being held twice a year. Following a long period of vacancy, the church is keen to welcome new people (and their dogs) and hopes for willing people to take up leadership roles.

Please pray for:

- Growth within the fellowship, the church looks forward to welcoming more residents of Hunstanton.
- That God will prompt members to consider leadership roles within the church.
- For continuing links with the local United Reformed Church.
- For Togetherness and Gods love to spread within the fellowship and spill out into the community.

Prayer Meetings

The church prayer meetings held in the Upper room on the first and last Thursday in the month will now be taking place in the Schoolroom from 10.30am to 11.30am, next one will be 30th April.

We are also beginning an evening prayer meeting in the main church from 7 to 8pm during the lighter evenings. These will be every 2 weeks alternating with the zoom prayer meeting. The next one will be 30th April.

Quotes of the Week

"If nature has made you for a giver, your hands are born open, and so is your heart; and though there may be times when your hands are empty, your heart is always full, and you can give things out of that—warm things, kind things, sweet things—help and comfort and laughter—and sometimes gay, kind laughter is the best help of all."

— **Frances Hodgson Burnett**,

"It's not how much we give but how much love we put into giving."

— **Mother Theresa**

"One of the most important things you can do on this earth is to let people know they are not alone."

— **Shannon L. Alder**

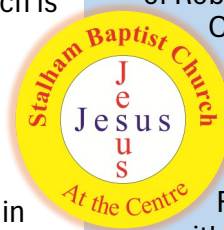
"What does one person give to another? He gives of himself, of the most precious he has, he gives of his life. This does not necessarily mean that he sacrifices his life for the other—but that he gives him of that which is alive in him; he gives him of his joy, of his interest, of his understanding, of his knowledge, of his humor, of his sadness—of all expressions and manifestations of that which is alive in him. In thus giving of his life, he enriches the other person, he enhances the other's sense of aliveness by enhancing his own sense of aliveness. He does not give in order to receive; giving is in itself exquisite joy. But in giving he cannot help bringing something to life in the other person, and this which is brought to life reflects back to him." — **Erich Fromm**



Helping those affected by the military conflict in Ukraine

At Stalham Baptist Church Schoolroom
24th April - 2 to 4pm
Enjoy a Fun Quiz and also Tea & Cake

North Norfolk Aid for Ukraine (NNAFU) is a community-led charity group.
The group relies on public donations and volunteers.



Pray for the family and friends of Jane Byrne whose funeral is in the Church on Monday 20th at 11.00am

We pray for Church Pastoral Group 8, please pray for: Jean Wunderlict, Rosina Potter-Jenkin, Jane & Ron Skivington, Rita Cassidy and John & Sue Leaf.

During April, please pray for the residents of Robert Smith Court and Granville Close.

Prayer for loneliness

God, when I feel alone and unseen, remind me that You are near.

Fill the quiet spaces in my heart with Your presence and peace.

Help me to trust that even in solitude, I am not forgotten.

Show me the beauty in stillness, and the comfort in Your company.

Guide me toward connection—with You, and with others—and give me strength to open my heart again. Amen.

Prayer for Giving

Prayer for the poor and needy Lord God, You came to give honour to the least, those forgotten, overlooked and misjudged. You came to give first place to the last, those left behind, misunderstood and undervalued. You came to give a warm welcome to the lost, those who are orphaned, abandoned and destitute. Help us to be Your ears to listen to their cries. Help us to be Your voice speaking out love and acceptance. Help us to be Your feet walking beside those in need. Help us to be Your hands to clothe, feed and shelter them. You came for the least, the lost and last of this world. Lord, hear our prayer. Amen.



WISHLIST
April 2026

Items we're short of:

- Long-Life Milk
- Tinned Veg
- Tinned Meat
- Cuppa Soups
- Instant Snacks
- Jam + Marmalade

Items we don't need this time:

- Baked Beans
- Tinned Soup
- Pasta

Fire Evacuation In the event of a fire everyone should make their way to the fire assembly point which is outside the Staithe Surgery. For more information speak to