



Stalham Baptist Church

Weekly News Bulletin



Sunday 31st May 2026

This Sunday Diana is leading and Ron is preaching on 1 Cor 12:12-27

Ron's Reads

Mt 16:18, 18:17, Heb 10:24, Lk 10:25f, Jn 13:34, 17:21f, 1 Jn 1:3

We Are Now Recording and Streaming our live Service

The live service is now streaming on our Facebook page and YouTube channel. You can find the SBC Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/stalhambaptist/> and the SBC website at www.stalhambaptist.org.uk.

Please LIKE and then subscribe to our YouTube channel by clicking "SUBSCRIBE" once as you watch. If you're unsure, please speak to a member of the Media Team who will be happy to assist.

Evening Service Planning Meeting

We're excited to invite everyone to join us on **Thursday, June 4th, at 12:00 PM** in the sanctuary for a planning session about the vision and format of our new monthly evening service. If you have any ideas or suggestions but can't make it in person, please feel free to send them to Jerry at asstpastor@stalhambaptist.org.uk.

Ron's Podcast

Ron starts his podcast saying: "Last Sunday our Pentecost service included the ordination of Jerry, it was a true celebration filled with colour, different languages spoken during the singing and a real sense of praise to our God.

For me one of the many special moments was meeting a lady, only in Stalham for Sunday, passing the church, hearing the music and wandering in off the street, the Spirit was evidently at work in many lives." Later in the podcast Ron says Acts 13 is an interesting passage.

13¹ Now in the church at Antioch there were prophets and teachers: Barnabas, Simeon called Niger, Lucius of Cyrene, Manaen (who had been brought up with Herod the tetrarch) and Saul. ² While they were worshiping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, "Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them." ³ So after they had fasted and prayed, they placed their hands on them and sent them off.

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

SBC Facebook

Use the SBC Facebook for information about what is happening and share events both at the church and in the wider community. Get more info from Hazel Manley

EBA Weekly Prayer: Stoke Green Baptist Church

Stoke Green is a community church, located in south-west Ipswich. – The church moved to its current location in the 1950s with the intention of serving a new housing estate that was in the process of being built. Over time, the estate has evolved into a diverse community, which is now reflected in the fellowship of the church.

The church has 56 members, and between 50 and 70 gather to worship on a Sunday. The church has been without its own minister for three and a half years, with Rev Aubrey Cardy acting as moderator and providing pastoral support to the fellowship. However, the church is moving forward, with young families attending, and two young people have been baptised recently.

A Community Café runs on Thursday afternoons, with between 30 and 40 young people from local schools dropping in, which has led to Stoke Green drawing on the services of a Youth Worker from another local church to help. A team from the church pays regular visits to local schools, with "Open the Book", and local schools visit the church for Easter and Christmas-themed events.

The church would like prayer for:

- The appointment of a new minister.
- With an older leadership team, they pray that mature Christians will join them

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Secretary: Diana Gordon

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Ministry Team: The Whole Fellowship

For Your Diary

Monday 1st June

9.00 am Deacons Prayers

10.30-11.30 Prayers for SBC & Young People

2.00-4.00pm Warm Space in Stables

7.00pm Bereavement Support group in the stables

Tuesday 2nd June

9.30am -12 Coffee and Chat in the Schoolroom

Wednesday 3rd June

9.30am - 12pm Table Tennis in the Schoolroom

10-12pm Warm Space in the Stables All welcome

1.30 to 3pm Noah's Ark Baby and Toddler Group in the Schoolroom

Thursday 4th June

10 to 12 pm Warm Space in Stables

10.30am Prayers in the schoolroom

12.00pm Meeting about evening services in the Church all welcome.

7.00pm Zoom Prayers

all welcome for more information speak to Diana. All welcome

Friday 5th June

10.00 to 12.00pm Bible Art in the schoolroom

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

Brumstead Road

1.15 to 3pm Foodbank in Stables & Citizens Advice

5.30pm Youth Worship in the Schoolroom

Sunday 7th June

10.45 Sunday Service

Welcome: Magdalena and Teresa

Flowers: Jane Dalton

Monday 8th June

7.00pm Deacons Zoom meeting

Community Fridge

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

to provide good succession.

- Wisdom in strategy with regard to their Messy Church outreach, which although well attended, is not leading into discipleship.

Baptism at SBC

Baptism involves full immersion in water to symbolise dying to the old life and rising to a new one, often accompanied by a personal testimony.

The baptistry at SBC is situated under the stage at the front of the church.

If you are thinking about baptism speak to Ron or Jerry or contact them on minister@stalhambaptist.org.uk

Big Thankyou

A big thank you to all those who put beautiful flowers every Sunday in the Church. They are always appreciated.



Quotes of the Week

“When you strip it of everything else, Pentecost stands for power and life. That's what came into the church when the Holy Spirit came down on the day of Pentecost.”

— **David Wilkerson**, *The Cross and the Switchblade*

“You are called to be truly human, but it is nothing short of the life of God within you that enables you to be so, to be remade in God's image. As C.S. Lewis said in a famous lecture, next to the sacrament itself your Christian neighbor is the holiest object ever presented to your sight, because in him or her the living Christ is truly present.”

— **N.T. Wright**, *The Challenge of Easter*

“A lot of people pray for power, house, financial breakthrough, wealth etc. But only few ask God for wisdom. There are so many great power pack man and women of God who lack wisdom.”

— **Patience Johnson**, *Why Does an Orderly God Allow Disorder*

“It is well known that Pentecost reverses Babel. The people who built the tower of Babel sought to make a name, and a unity, for themselves. At Pentecost, God builds his temple, uniting people in Christ. Unity – interpretive agreement and mutual understanding – is, it would appear, something that only God can accomplish. And accomplish it he does, but not in the way we might have expected. Although onlookers thought that the believers who received the Spirit at Pentecost were babbling (Acts 2:13), in fact they were speaking intelligibly in several languages (Acts 2:8-11). Note well: they were all saying the same thing (testifying about Jesus) in different languages. It takes a thousand tongues to say and sing our great Redeemer's praise. “

— **Kevin J. Vanhoozer**

“Why did the Holy Ghost descend on the Jewish Pentecost? Because on their Pentecost the Jews celebrated the anniversary of the giving of the law on Mount Sinai, and God would show by sending the Holy Ghost on this day, that the Old Law had ceased and the New Law commenced. God also chose this time, that the Jews who on this day came together from all countries to Jerusalem to celebrate the Pentecost, might be witness of the miracle, and hear the New Law announced by the apostles. (Feast of Pentecost)”

— **Leonard Goffiné**, *The Church's Year*

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 Daniel.

Please pray for family and friends of Gerald Neve whose funeral is on Tuesday June 2nd and for the family of Daphne Greenard who died recently.

We pray for Church Pastoral Group 6, please pray for:

John Higgs, Tanya Diggins, Hilary Hinton, David Ash, Edna Woolsey and Eidwen Brace.

During June - please pray for the residents St Benet's Road and St Benet's Close.

Prayers for Jerry & Family

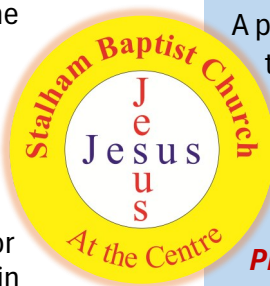
We pray for Jerry and his family as he begins this new chapter of pastoral leadership and continues with Simone their SBC outreaches.

Prayers for those who arrange flowers

A prayer of thanksgiving and blessing for the dedicated volunteers who arrange the beautiful flowers at **Stalham Baptist Church**, honouring their selfless time, creativity, and the joy they bring to the congregation.

Prayer For Council Meetings & Decision Making

Heavenly Father, we ask for Your guidance and wisdom upon the North Norfolk District Council. Grant the elected members and officers the integrity to act justly, the compassion to care for their constituents, and the unity to make decisions that bring prosperity, peace, and flourishing to the whole community. Amen.



WISHLIST
May 2026

Items we're short of:

Tinned Meat
Long-Life Milk
Tinned Fruit
Jam
Squash
Cuppa Soup

Items we don't need this time:

Baked Beans
Tinned Soup
Pasta

Thank you for your generosity