

Stalham Baptist Church

Weekly News Bulletin 23rd June 2019

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Ron is leading and is preaching from Amos 6: 1-7

"It won't happen to me"

We would like to offer a very big welcome to any visitors who have joined us this Sunday. 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

During June please pray for the residents of **Lower Staithe Road, Albion Drive, Old Market Road including Market Mews.** The businesses to pray for this month are **Boots Chemists and Broadland Fish and Chips.**

As we pray through the Church Directory, please remember **John Austrin.**

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 **Jane and Cynthia** in the prayer tent at the back of the Church.

Virtual Prayer Room

On Sunday 15th Jerry posted "Please pray for my family as I've been informed today that my grandmother has died today in the morning. A very special lady who raised me and two siblings after my parents death."

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

Jericho Road

A true revolution of values will soon cause us to question the fairness and justice of many of our past and present policies. We are called to play the Good Samaritan on life's road side, but that will be only an initial act. One day we must come to see that the whole Jericho road must be transformed so that men and women will not be constantly beaten and robbed as they make their journey on life's highway. True compassion is more than flinging a coin to a beggar; it is not haphazard and superficial. Compassion sees that an edifice that produces beggars needs restructuring. A true revolution of values will soon look uneasily on the glaring contrast of poverty and wealth.

Let us pray:

Ever present God, you called us to be in relationship with one another and promised to dwell wherever two or three are gathered. In our community, we are many different people; we come from many different places, have many different cultures. Open our hearts that we may be bold in finding the riches of inclusion and the treasures of diversity among us. We pray in faith. Amen.

Rev. Martin Luther King Jr.

New Prayer Meeting

Please support our new prayer meeting which will be once a month starting Monday 24th at 7.00pm and finishing at 8.00pm. There is so much in our world and lives that need the support of prayer, our collective 60 minutes once a month we pray would be a catalyst of much needed change in so many places. There will be no onus on anyone to pray out loud. Prayer is always powerful but there is added power in praying together.

The Week at SBC

Monday

Church Open for Prayer

10.00 to 12noon

Monday Club

3.00 to 4.30pm In Schoolroom

New Prayer Meeting

7.00pm in the Church

Tuesday

Coffee and Chat

9.30 to 11.30am In the Stables

Prayer for Revival

9.30am Three Windows Brumstead Rd

Wednesday

Over 60s Table Tennis Club

9.30am to Midday

In the Schoolroom. All Welcome

Study Group

7.30pm in the Stables

Thursday

Pop Up Café

3.00 to 4.30pm In schoolroom

Lunch Club

12.00 for 12.30pm in the Stables

Friday

Food Bank and Citizens Advice Service

1.15 to 3.00pm In the Stables

Anglian Singers

7.00pm In the Church

Saturday

Getting together to PRAY!

8.00 to 9.00am In the Church

Town Hall Stall

9.00 to 12 noon

Sunday Service

10.45am



WARNING

"You all know," said the Guide, "that security is mortals' greatest enemy."
C.S. Lewis, *The Pilgrim's Progress*

Please Support Our Next Fund Raising Evening Music For a Summer Evening Friday 28th June

Please support our next fund raising evening and invite others. On Friday 28th June 7.00pm SBC hosts the Anglian Singers with guest cellist Emma Ship



for "Music on a Summer Evening." The Anglian Singers are a friendly, mixed choir of approximately 30 voices, based in Norwich. They aim to cover a variety of musical styles from the classical, folk, jazz and musical's.

Refreshments available and donations accepted on the evening for SBC.

Much Needed Fund Raising Efforts

Stewart writes. The final result of the Marathon Fun Day is £1100 (Building Fund) The Fringe Festival results £232.08 (for General Fund) £75 (building Fund) was raised by David and Eileen's coffee morning and the Fathers day Quiz night £145.00 (Building Fund) and a thank you to all those who took part and helped organise all these events.

Holiday club 2019

Starts on 12th August and has the title "Superfruit - 9 a day!" There will be stories that focus on the Fruit of the Spirit e.g. kindness (The Good Samaritan) and healthy, yummy fruit snacks. For activities at this year's holiday club we need bottle tops and nail polish. Any and all colours will be very useful. A box will be at the back of the church for these.

News Stand

A Big Thank You to all those who supported the fun Father's Day Quiz won by Stewart's team, the Warriors, that raised £145. A special thank you to Elaine who produced all the lovely food and Fran for assisting, John for organising the intro round, Geoff for setting up the lap top and David for organizing.

Pat and Alan's fund raising summer afternoon BBQ is on Saturday 20th July. The price has been held for another year at £8 for adults, £4 for children aged 5 to 15 and under 5s free. This Sunday Barbara Reynolds has the BBQ tickets, Pat will have them the following Sunday (30 June) and the following two Sundays (7 and 14 July). All the details are on the tickets.

Joint Ladies and Men breakfast on Saturday 13th July with Norma Huxter speaking. Please sign up on the list at the back of the church, Men and Women. Tick which breakfast you require by the 7th July. Thank you Alan Jarman.

Reminders

Eric's 80th Birthday Party - July 27th. Afternoon tea to be held at Osprey Close Hoveton, between 3pm and 6 pm. No gifts: donations to Cancer research. All welcome. For more information talk to Robert Emerson.

The next Town Hall Free Table is on Saturday June 29th, at 9pm to 12 noon. Help needed. If you could spare an hour or so talk to Ron or David.

Has baptism been on your mind.

Believer's baptism is a very special moment on the journey of faith. It is a moment when God's presence and blessing meets us, and when we make our personal commitment of faith in Jesus as Lord.

It signifies the end of our old life and of being born again to new life in Christ. It speaks of repentance and cleansing, of being united with Christ in his death and resurrection, and of witnessing to the call of God upon our lives. Baptism is also about receiving God's Spirit for service in the church and in the world. Please speak to Ron if baptism is on your mind.

Sunday Service June 30th

Flowers: Jan Slade

Welcome: Rita and Jane

Refreshments: David and Eileen

For Your Diary

Monday 1st July

Holiday Club Meeting

7.00pm in the Church

Deacons Meeting

7.30pm in the Stables

Thursday 4th July

Filling Station Prayers

7.30pm in the Stables

Sunday 7th July

Rivermead House Group

7.00pm

Monday July 8th

Filling Station

7.00 for 7.30pm Hickling Barn

Friday July 12th

Youth Pop Up Cafe

7.00pm in the Schoolroom

Saturday 13th July

Church Breakfast

8.30am in the Stables

Guest Speaker Norma Huxter

This Week's Ron's Extra Read

**Proverbs 16:18,1 Corinthians 10:12
2 Timothy 3:16**

Quotes of the Week

"... the more complex they made their world, the less capable they were of dealing with it. They had no means of consensus. They learnt to co-operate constructively in small units; but only destructively in large units. They aspired greedily, and then refused to face the responsibilities they had created. They created vast problems, and then buried their heads in the sands of idle faith."

John Wyndham, The Chrysalids published in 1955

"As refugees we picked our way through the smouldering rubble of compassion, care and empathy the remnants of societies meltdown. The man asked "What's the time?" It seemed a strange question at that moment, as all around laid emotional chaos. I enquired, "Why do you need to know?" Panicking, he replied, "My smart watch isn't working, and I don't know how far I have walked, and when my favourite reality TV show will be on." "Welcome to reality" I said and went on, "Keep walking your time is coming." *Franky Dilch the Road to Here.*

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