

Stalham Baptist Church

Weekly News Bulletin 29th September 2019

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Ministry Team: Whole Fellowship



Diana is leading and Jerry is preaching from Colossians 1:24-2:3

"Ministry To The Church"

Ron is at Gunton Baptist Church today

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.

Today Jerry will be considering Paul's Ministry to the Church and to Christ. The structure is as follows.

Ministry to the Church involves:

(1) Misery v 24-25, 2:1 - (2) Mystery v 26-27 - (3) Mission v 28-29, 2:2-3

For Your Prayers

Please pray in October for the residents of **Millside, Lawns Loke and Railway Mews**

Prayer cards have been given to **Eden Plants Home - Garden and Café Charlotte** both to be found in High Street Stalham.

Please pray for all those in the fellowship who are unwell or waiting for medical help.

As we pray through the new Church Directory, please remember **Dorothy Fairweather**. 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 a reduction in the rhetoric being used around Brexit.

The murdered MP Jo Cox's husband Brendan wrote:

You can disagree passionately with people. But you don't have to impugn their motives, whether you are a hard Brexiteer or a hard Remainer, actually, what you have in common is a desire to do what you think is best for the country.

What isn't acceptable is to demonize each other to build a culture of hatred to the other to create this tribal identity. Whatever happens with Brexit, the country is going to have to come together again. And we have to remember that, otherwise, we'll be building a toxic legacy.

New Church Service This Evening "Connect"

Josh Hollebon and Jerry are starting a new church service starting this evening at 5.00pm in the Schoolroom.

Called Connect, connecting to God, community and your purpose. The service will have worship led by Dan St John; Jerry will be doing a testimony followed by a quiz linking to his talk.

Music from Dan and Simone and tea, coffee and snacks will be available. Josh is creating a relaxed atmosphere for people who are new to worship and those who are regular attenders.

Please support this bold new venture. Everyone is welcome.

Prayer Meeting

Josh is organising another Prayer Meeting on Monday 30th September at 7.00 and finishing at 8.00pm. The meetings have been very successful with songs accompanied by Simone and prayers said for members of the congregation, family and friends and events taking place in the wider world. There is so much in our world and lives that need the support of prayer, our collective 60 minutes once a month we pray will be a catalyst of much needed change in so many places. 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

Prayer Meeting

7.00pm in the Church

Tuesday

Coffee and Chat

9.30 to 11.30am In the Stables

Potter Heigham Study Group

7.30pm 30 St Nicholas Way

Prayer for Revival

9.30am Three Windows Brumstead Rd

Wednesday

Over 60s Table Tennis Club

9.30am to Midday

Brumstead Road House Group

7.00pm

Thursday

Pop Up Cafe

3.00 to 4.30pm In schoolroom

Friday

Food Bank and Citizens Advice Service

1.30 to 3.00pm In the Stables

Saturday

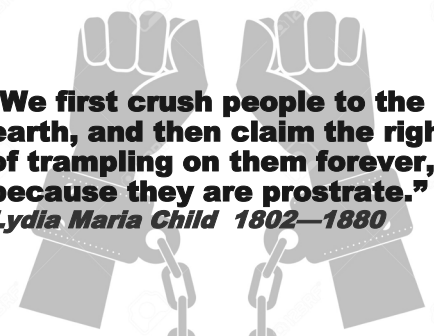
Getting together to PRAY!

8.00 to 9.00am In the Church

Sunday

Church Service 10.45am

"We first crush people to the earth, and then claim the right of trampling on them forever, because they are prostrate."
Lydia Maria Child 1802-1880



If you have a T-loop facility on your hearing aid, and wish to use this, you will get the best reception in the church if you sit close to the walls as the 'loop' is transmitted from the conduit around the edge. We hope this will enable you to enjoy our services more.

Harvest Service Supper and Auction

Between the meal, auction and donations £640.40 was raised for the BMS 's South Sudan's conflict survivors appeal. Thank you to all who helped decorate the church, were involved with producing a lovely meal for over 60 people and running the auction. Thanks also to all those who donated food items which were shared between the Food Bank and the homeless young people at the Empanda project in Stalham. The Harvest festival has been a very positive time for SBC.

Sunday Morning Refreshments

We still do not have anyone to do the Sunday morning refreshments for October 6 and December 29th. If you can help we would be so grateful thank you. Please contact Maggie: Telephone: 10692 583121.

Mobile: 07776046226 email: maggie.harpur@yahoo.com

News Stand

Today is Julia and David Maile's ruby wedding anniversary.

Birthday Greetings to Jean Mollett who celebrates her 80th birthday on October 1st, and also Autumn-Lily who celebrates her birthday on the 2nd, and Gracie on 10th.

May the Lord bless you and keep you and make His face to shine upon you

Half Term Holiday Club. On Thursday 24th October from 9.30 to 11.30 we are Holiday Clubbing again. If you are free to help - or know children aged 5 to 11 who might like to attend - have a chat to Barbara Reynolds. Prayers please for this new venture.

Leprosy Mission catalogues are available at the back of the church. Orders given to Barbara Reynolds will result in profits for our church as well as the Leprosy Mission. Items not in the catalogue, but listed online, can also be ordered this way - and there is no postage to pay! P.S. (Fairtrade chocolate real advent calendars containing the Christmas story book are on page 18.)

Freedom Week 2019 - 18th-24th October

In October 2018 the Norfolk Modern Slavery Collaboration (NMSC) was formed with the intention of joining up existing work in the area of modern slavery and raising awareness of this largely hidden problem. Today 19 different agencies including church representatives are committed to working collaboratively through the NMSC to end slavery in Norfolk.

The NMSC are leading a county wide Freedom Week, 18th - 24th October, focusing on issues of modern slavery. We believe that faith groups have a significant role to play in the fight against modern slavery and we are inviting you to join us for Freedom Week 2019.

On Sunday 20th October we are inviting churches to take part by focusing sermons and praying about modern slavery.

We will end the Norfolk Freedom Week 2019 by hosting 'An Evening to Talk About Modern Slavery in Norfolk', Thursday 24th October, 7 to 9pm at the Sanctuary Coffee Stop, NR1 2QF. Throughout the evening we will have a performance of 'The Face of Freedom' by Ayomide Sotubo, hear from Shayne Tyler (Group Compliance Director of Fresca Group), exploring how we can tackle modern slavery in agriculture, as well as a Q & A session with a panel of representatives working in response to issues of modern slavery.

If you wish to join us on this evening please email: info@stntrust.org
The issues of slavery are overwhelming and complex and we know that we cannot see an end to slavery without God's help. Please do join us on 20th October as we stand united against modern slavery and human trafficking.

You can find more information at <http://www.stntrust.org/events/2019/10/18/freedom-week-norfolk-modern-slavery-collaboration>

Sunday Service October 6th

Flowers: Barbara Reynolds

Welcome: Elinor and Jill

Refreshments: TBA

For Your Diary

Monday October 7th

Deacons Meeting

7.30pm in the Stables

Thursday October 10th

Stalham Infant School Harvest Service

In the Church 8.30am

Saturday October 12th

Out of Egypt Gospel Evening

In the Church 7.00pm

Sunday October 13th

Members Meeting

In the Church 12.30pm

Monday October 14th

Filling Station

6.30 for 7.00pm Hickling Barn

Saturday November 9th

Men's Breakfast

In the Stables 8.30am

Saturday November 16th

60s Evening

7.00pm in the Church

Jerry's Extra Read

Hebrews 9:11-26, Ephesians 3:1-21
Philippians 2: 25-30. 2 Corinthians 1:3-11.

Jerry's Quotes of the Week

"God intends for the afflictions of Christ to be presented to the world through the afflictions of His people.....Our calling is to make the afflictions of Christ real for people by the afflictions we experience in bringing them the message of salvation. Since Christ is no longer on the earth, He wants His body, the church, to reveal His suffering in its suffering"

- John Piper

"This is the message that the Apostle Paul has for us. Union with Christ is the only hope of glory. There is no other place where we can go to find our fruition, our satisfaction. People make two mistakes. They either seek the wrong hope or they seek the right hope in the wrong way. The only right hope is the hope of glory which is in Christ. The only way to that hope is through Christ." - J. Ligon Duncan

"The growth and maturity in Christ of every believer is, in a certain sense, the responsibility of every other believer in Christ. We must look not only to ourselves but to one another, passionately admonishing and wisely teaching so that we all might stand complete in Christ on that day." - Sam Storm

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