Sermon Notes

Prayer Diary

Sunday 21st February

Give thanks that Jesus is the King we need, the one who judges false religion and offers free forgiveness through faith. Pray we never stop turning and trusting in Jesus (Mark 11v1-25).

Monday 22nd February

Pray for those doing the Christianity Explored course as they think about Jesus' resurrection this evening. Pray that people will feel comfortable to ask questions.

Tuesday 23rd February

Pray for our connect groups, for those who lead and those who attend. Pray that they will grow in knowledge and love of God. Pray for those unable to meet due to technology. Pray that in their quiet times they will be keeping their eyes fixed on Jesus and be comforted by God's amazing grace.

Wednesday 24th February

Pray for our Queen and her family. Pray she will be bold in speaking of her faith to them, pray their hearts will soften to the gospel.

Thursday 25th February

Pray for an end to Covid. Pray that the vaccine will be effective in protecting the vulnerable. Pray for people in hospital suffering from the virus, pray for their healing and peace. Pray for the doctors and nurses caring for them, for strength to keep going.

Friday 27th February

Pray for Helen Sheridan in Ireland. Pray for the women she is sharing the gospel with. Pray for more opportunities to read the bible together and build friendships.

Saturday 28th February

Pray for our church. Pray we will be a loving community that follows Jesus Christ. Pray we will care for one another and encourage one another in our walk with Christ. Pray we will reach out to others around us in our church and in our community.



WELCOME

Sunday 21st February 11am Sunday Service Mark 11 v 1-25

COVID-19 & Services

Thank you for coming this morning - we're delighted to have you with us!

We've done everything we can to make our services as safe and welcoming as possible. We are required by law to wear masks inside the building, we have some disposable ones by the door if you have forgotten yours.

We ask that windows remain open and that you take this sheet away with you at the end of the service. Please follow the one-way system and leave by the Fire Exit at the front of the building.

Our services will continue to be livestreamed and available every Sunday via our website and YouTube Channel. Why not share the link with a friend or family member

Our Vision Statement "To call people into a loving community that follows Jesus Christ"

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MARK 11 v 1-25

11 As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethpage and Bethany at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples, ² saying to them, "Go to the village ahead of you, and just as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, which no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. ³ If anyone asks you, 'Why are you doing this?' say. 'The Lord needs it and will send it back here shortly."⁴ They went and found a colt outside in the street, tied at a doorway. As they untied it,⁵ some people standing there asked, "What are you doing, untying that colt?" ⁶ They answered as Jesus had told them to, and the people let them go. ⁷When they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks over it, he sat on it. 8 Many people spread their cloaks on the road, while others spread branches they had cut in the fields. ⁹ Those who went ahead and those who followed shouted. "Hosanna! "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" ¹⁰ "Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David!" "Hosanna in the highest heaven!" ¹¹ Jesus entered Jerusalem and went into the temple courts. He looked around at everything, but since it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the Twelve.

¹² The next day as they were leaving Bethany, Jesus was hungry. ¹³ Seeing in the distance a fig tree in leaf, he went to find out if it had any fruit. When he reached it, he found nothing but leaves, because it was not the season for figs. ¹⁴ Then he said to the tree, "May no one ever eat fruit from you again." And his disciples heard him say it.¹⁵ On reaching Jerusalem. Jesus entered the temple courts and began driving out those who were buying and selling there. He overturned the tables of the money changers and the benches of those selling doves, ¹⁶ and would not allow anyone to carry merchandise through the temple courts. ¹⁷ And as he taught them, he said, "Is it not written: 'My house will be called a house of prayer for all nations'? But you have made it 'a den of robbers." ¹⁸ The chief priests and the teachers of the law heard this and began looking for a way to kill him, for they feared him, because the whole crowd was amazed at his teaching. ¹⁹ When evening came, Jesus and his disciples went out of the city. ²⁰ In the morning, as they went along, they saw the fig tree withered from the roots.²¹ Peter remembered and said to Jesus. "Rabbi, look! The fig tree you cursed has withered!" ²² "Have faith in God," Jesus answered. ²³ "Truly I tell you, if anyone says to this mountain, 'Go, throw yourself into the sea,' and does not doubt in their heart but believes that what they say will happen, it will be done for them. ²⁴ Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be vours. ²⁵ And when you stand praying, if you hold anything against anyone, forgive them, so that your Father in heaven may forgive you your sins."

LATER TODAY

Zoom Tea & Coffee

Begins ten minutes after the 11am service ends. All are welcome to join for a brief time chatting in smaller groups. Meeting ID: 830 1421 7210 Passcode: StSimons Phone in: 0203 051 2874

NEXT WEEK

Sunday February 28th – Mark 11v27 – 12v12

We currently plan to hold one service at 11am next Sunday. This will be available to attend in-person as well as watch via live-stream on our YouTube Channel. Children's activity packs will be available in the building and available to download on our website.

If you're planning on attending in-person please email <u>admin@stsimonsouthport.org.uk</u> to book a place.

PRAYER MEETING

Church family prayer meeting – 7.30pm 2nd March

Open Doors UK will be joining us at our next prayer meeting. We support them as a church family in their work of supporting persecuted Christians across the world. We meet via Zoom with no pressure to pray out loud.

Meeting id: 829 7277 7456 Passcode: Prayer Dial in: 0203 901 7895

ELECTORAL ROLL

The electoral roll, which is simply a list of those who consider themselves to be members of St Simon's, is now open for revision. To check your details please see the list at the back of the building. To add your name to the electoral roll, either fill in a paper copy or email pande_killick@yahoo.co.uk by **February 27th**.



Is this your first time?

Hello & welcome! Please make yourself at home.

Need anything?

Ask one of our welcome team who will be pleased to help you.

Young Children

Groups for 3-14s happen during the service. Please drop your child off before the service begins. There is also an unsupervised creche room with sound feed.

Hearing difficulties? A hearing loop is installed.

Mobile Phones Please turn them off or to silent.