Sermon Notes

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Prayer Diary

Sunday 18th April

Praise God for the unity that he has given us through and in Christ. Pray we make every effort to live out that 'unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace' (Ephesians 4v6).

Monday 19th April

Pray for Happy Monday's starting back today. Pray parents and children will enjoy meeting together and have lots of fun. Pray that strong supportive friendship are made.

Tuesday 20th April

As we meet together to pray this evening, pray that as a church we will 'look to the Lord and his strength and seek his face always' and be faithful in prayer. Pray we will be encouraged as we pray together.

Wednesday 21st April

Pray for our Queen and all the Royal family as they grieve the loss of Prince Phillip. Pray God's unfailing love will be their comfort.

Thursday 22nd April

Pray for Christians in Myanmar, pray that persecution survival training for believers is available to every Christian. Give thanks that many are still turning to Christ. As people are unable to meet together in church, pray for more bibles, so all believers can have their own bible to read at home.

Friday 23rd April

Pray for our church family, for those who are struggling, through ill health, bereavement or from isolation due to Covid. Pray they will know "God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble." Ps 46:1

Saturday 24th April

Pray for continued safe Sunday gatherings and for genuine joy as we meet together. Pray for those still unable to join in-person on a Sunday to still feel loved and included as part of our church family.



WELCOME

Sunday 18th April 9am Communion & 11am Service Ephesians 4 v 1-6

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 11am service will 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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MEETING IN-PERSON

With the gradual emergence from lockdown, we're wanting to begin encouraging all those who can, to begin meeting again in-person. We're grateful to God for technology that allows us to livestream, but we also know that a livestream is not church because there's no gathering with the rest of God's people.

We realise some will be nervous and that it might be hard to return to the building initially, so we're looking at ways of making it easier. We want to help people continue to feel safe. It's worth saying that nationally there is an expectation of some social distancing measures still being in place post-June 21st (e.g., mask wearing, 1m+ distancing etc.), so please don't wait for Sunday's to be like pre-Covid days – those times may still be a long way off.

The PCC have agreed that this Sunday marks a good point to begin encouraging the whole church family to meet again in-person. From this point we'll be able to run children's work on a Sunday. For the time being, 9am and 11am service times will remain, but we ask that those without children consider coming to the earlier service so that we can safely accommodate everyone who wishes to. The 11am service will continue to be livestreamed.

Those who are clinically extremely vulnerable will of course want to weigh up the risks carefully. We're not expecting everyone to return immediately, but we want to highlight this Sunday as a marker to begin considering doing so. If you have any questions or concerns, please do speak to Andy, Mike or Elaine.

LATER TODAY

Zoom Tea & Coffee

Begins ten minutes after the 11am service ends. Meeting ID: 830 1421 7210; Passcode: StSimons

Phone in: 0203 051 2874

NEXT WEEK

Sunday 24th April at 9am and 11am Ephesians 4 v 7-16 – "How Churches Grow"

The 11am will be livestreamed and will include groups for children aged 3-14 in the hall.

Please book in by emailing admin@stsimonsouthport.org.uk

Church family prayer meeting - 7.30pm 20th April

We will be meeting together on Zoom to pray for the life and mission of our church and for our community. Please join us, there is no pressure to pray, just join in with a loud Amen! Meeting ID: 830 1421 7210; Passcode: StSimons

CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE

Happy Monday's - Monday 10am-11.30am

For parents & carers with babies and toddlers. Numbers are limited so if you are interested in joining please Contact Annie Liggins on 07793404806

Youth Club - Monday 7.30pm-9pm

For 11-18s in the church hall.

All our groups will be adhering to Covid-19 safety guidelines. If you would like any information about these groups, then please email admin@stsimonsouthport.org.uk

CHURCH WEEKEND AWAY – SAVE THE DATE!

3rd – 5th September at Bassenfell in the Lake District. Rev Mark Pickles will be speaking. Bookings will be open for the whole of May, beginning Sunday May 2nd.



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 are
held in the hall during
the 11am service.
Please drop off
children before the
service begins and
collect from the car
park doors at the
end. 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.