

Sermon Notes

Prayer Diary

Sunday 20th June

Pray for each of us to find joy in following Christ together. Pray we would all be those who deny ourselves, take up our crosses, and follow him (Mark 8v34).

Monday 21st June

Pray for the Food Pantry, give thanks it is being used. Pray it is a practical way of showing Gods love for his people, pray that their needs will be met. Pray we are more active in caring for those in need around us.

Tuesday 22nd June

Give thanks for the 18 girls at Girls Brigade. Pray they have fun at Victoria Park tonight. Pray for safety and for good friendships to develop. Pray that strong links will be formed with the parents/carers.

Wednesday 23rd June

Pray for those in our church family who are in care homes. Pray they will continue to grow closer to Jesus and seek his face always. Pray they know they are part of our family even though they can't meet in person.

Thursday 24th June

Pray for those in our church family who are struggling with illness and bereavement. Pray they remember these words of Jesus 'come to me all who labour and are heavy laden and I will give you rest.' Matthew 11:28

Friday 25th June

Pray for New Hope Church in Sierra Leone. Give thanks ministry is thriving. Pray for Pastor Michael who now has 17 churches to pastor. Give thanks work with the Muslim communities is seeing people saved.

Saturday 26th June

Pray for our question & answer session tomorrow night. Pray we will have an open and honest discussion drenched in love and grace as we talk through questions we have around 'Living the beautiful story.' Pray for Andy as he points us to God's word and helps us to think through questions.

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W E L C O M E

Sunday 20th June

9am & 11am Service

Living the Beautiful Story

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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MARK 8 v 31-38 & MARK 10 v 29-31

³¹ He then began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and that he must be killed and after three days rise again. ³² He spoke plainly about this, and Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him.

³³ But when Jesus turned and looked at his disciples, he rebuked Peter. 'Get behind me, Satan!' he said. 'You do not have in mind the concerns of God, but merely human concerns.'

³⁴ Then he called the crowd to him along with his disciples and said: 'Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ³⁵ For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me and for the gospel will save it. ³⁶ What good is it for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul? ³⁷ Or what can anyone give in exchange for their soul? ³⁸ If anyone is ashamed of me and my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, the Son of Man will be ashamed of them when he comes in his Father's glory with the holy angels.'

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²⁹ 'Truly I tell you,' Jesus replied, 'no one who has left home or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields for me and the gospel ³⁰ will fail to receive a hundred times as much in this present age: homes, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and fields – along with persecutions – and in the age to come eternal life. ³¹ But many who are first will be last, and the last first.'

NEXT WEEK

Sunday 27th June – 'Feeling far from God' - Ruth 1 9am & 11am Communion

The 11am will be livestreamed and will include a supervised creche and Junior Church in the hall for ages 3-14s. Book in by emailing admin@stsimonsouthport.org.uk

LIVING THE BEAUTIFUL STORY

On **Sunday 27th June at 7.30pm** we'll host a Q&A session, where anyone can ask any question they like and where we can dig deeper together into some of the issues raised. We will be meeting in our church building. The session will not be livestreamed giving opportunity for open and honest discussion.

Please send questions via admin@stsimonsouthport.org.uk or through your Connect Group leader.

A helpful resource: www.livingout.org

The organisation Living Out has been set up to help Christian's live their lives in faithfulness to Christ, especially in the areas of sexuality and identity. Their website has lots of stories, resources, articles and answers to questions you might still be asking.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

13th July **Prayer Meeting** at 7.30pm on Zoom.
Meeting ID: 829 7277 7456; Passcode: Prayer
Dial in: 0208 080 6592

TBC **Church Picnic** – the government's recent announcement regarding the delay to the full lifting of lockdown means the guidance remains that only groups of up to 30 people can gather outside. Therefore, sadly the church picnic can no longer happen on July 4th. A new date will be announced soon.



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. We also run a supervised creche for under 3s.

Hearing difficulties?

A hearing loop is installed.

Mobile Phones

Please turn them off or to silent.