Sermon Notes

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Prayer Diary

Sunday 4th April

Give thanks that because Jesus rose again we have the sure hope of a new start and a new future. Pray we hold onto Jesus as our hope.

Monday 5th April

Pray for the people who use the Food Pantry. Pray they will be comfortable coming into the Pantry and feel welcome. Pray the volunteers will be able to show God's love in their actions.

Tuesday 6th 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 the Lord himself goes before them and will be with them, he will never leave or forsake them. (Deut 31:8)

Wednesday 7th April

Pray for Andy, Annie, Josh, Micah and Sophie as they enjoy some annual leave together. Pray for times of joy and of rest.

Thursday 8th April

Pray as 400,00 people have been displaced by Islamic insurgency in Mozambique. Pray that the work Zambesi Mission is doing will be able to continue as they speak the truths of the Gospel to people in great need.

Friday 9th April

Pray for people who are getting ready to go back to work after furlough. For those in retail and hospitality in our town. Pray that they won't be anxious and fearful but will enjoy being back at work.

Saturday 10th April

Pray for people watching online. Pray they will feel part of the church family as they are unable to come to church. As Covid infections decrease and many of us are vaccinated, pray that more of us will feel able to come along on a Sunday.



WELCOME

Easter Sunday 4th April 9am Communion & 11am Guest Service Mark 15v42-16v8

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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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 Sunday April 18th 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. Services 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 the date of April 18th as a marker to begin considering doing so.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do speak to Andy, Mike or Elaine.

CHURCH WEEKEND AWAY - SAVE THE DATE!

3rd – 5th September at Bassenfell in the Lake District. Rev Mark Pickles will be speaking - more info after Easter when bookings open.

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

9am & 11am Services – 1 Corinthians 15 v 1-11 "Being sure of your salvation"

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

THE WORD ONLINE: 6th - 9th APRIL

Every Easter holiday, a national event takes place for Christians from all over the country called "Word Alive". Four days of engaging Bible teaching for all-ages, usually in North Wales.

This year it's online, for free and there's something for everyone: 4pm for Children; 6.30pm for Youth; 8pm for Adults. The theme is "Proverbs – Living the Wise Life"

Visit www.wordaliveevent.org to find out more.

PRAYER MEETING

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!

Andy Liggins will be on annual leave until Monday 12th April. Please contact our wardens Mike Molyneux or Elaine Killick if you need anything in his absence.



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
normally happen
during the service.
However, currently
regulations don't
allow these, so
children are asked to
remain with families
and activities are
provided. There is
also an unsupervised
creche room with

Hearing difficulties?

sound feed.

A hearing loop is installed.

Mobile Phones
Please turn them off or to silent.