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#### **Prayer Diary**

#### Sunday 11th April

"hold fast to the word." 1 Cor 15:2. Jesus died, was buried and rose again as he said he would. We can trust and believe all we read in God's word. Pray that you know this truth and hold fast to it.

#### Monday 12th April

Pray for Bishop David Shepperd school as they start back after Easter. Pray the children will settle into routines quickly and enjoy learning.

#### Tuesday 13th 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 'steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end.'

#### Wednesday 14th April

Pray for the Liverpool Diocese, Bishop Paul, Bishop Bev and Bishop Rod. Pray they will continue to 'preach Christ crucified'. Pray they will hold firm to God's teaching in his word lead people to Christ.

#### Thursday 15th April

Pray for Mark at Wellfield church in Leyland. Pray that he will be able to build relationships with people from the estate. Pray for people who have shown an interest in the gospel. Pray they will come along to church and have all their answers met in Jesus.

#### Friday 16th April

Pray for our 18-30s group. Pray they will grow in faith and in knowledge of God. Pray they will encourage one another to walk closely with God. Give thanks for the way they serve our church family.

#### Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> April

Pray for our Junior church children meeting back together tomorrow. Pray they will have lots of fun as learn from God's word. Pray they will listen and remember what they have been taught and pray their hearts will turn to Christ.



## WELCOME

### Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> April 9am & 11am Service 1 Corinthians 15 v 1-11

#### **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 21<sup>st</sup> (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 18<sup>th</sup> 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. <u>Services will continue to be livestreamed.</u>

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 18<sup>th</sup> 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!

3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> 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**

#### Ephesians 4 v 1-6 (recap on chapter 1-3)

9am Holy Communion

**11am** Morning worship and Junior church

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

#### CHILDREN'S GROUPS

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April Youth club starts back in our church

hall from 7.30pm – 9pm.

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> April Junior church will start back during our

11am service

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

#### 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 12<sup>th</sup> 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
sound feed.

# Hearing difficulties?

A hearing loop is installed.

Mobile Phones
Please turn them off
or to silent.