#### **Sermon Notes**

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#### **Prayer Diary**

#### Sunday 25th April

Pray that we grow to maturity in Christ as each member of St Simon's uses theirs gifts to build one another up, speaking the truth in love (Ephesians 4v11-16).

#### Monday 26th April

Pray for the teenagers meeting at youth club tonight. Pray they will 'be strengthened with power through his spirit in their inner being so that Christ may dwell in their hearts through faith.'Eph 3:16&17

#### Tuesday 27th April

Pray for those who usually come along to our lunch club. Pray they will continue to feel a connection to our church and will still hear the good news of the gospel. Pray restrictions will lift so we are able to restart this ministry.

#### Wednesday 28th April

Pray for our church finances. Pray we will have enough money to do the work God has called us to do in our parish, amongst our neighbours and across the world.

#### Thursday 29th April

Give thanks for the 400 children who were fed at an outreach party at New Hope Church, Sierra Leone. Pray for the children who attended from the Muslim school, pray they will have more opportunities to hear about Jesus.

#### Friday 30th 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 'because of the Lord's great love we are not consumed for his compassions never fail.' Lam 3:22

#### Saturday 1st May

Pray for Junior Church meeting today. Give thanks for the leaders, pray for safety as they meet together. Pray the children will enjoy their time together and listen as they learn more about the love God has for them.



## WELCOME

### Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> April 9am & 11am Service Ephesians 4 v 7-16

#### **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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#### **EPHESIANS 4v7-16**

<sup>7</sup> But to each one of us grace has been given as Christ apportioned it.<sup>8</sup> This is why it says:

"When he ascended on high, he took many captives and gave gifts to his people."

<sup>9</sup> (What does "he ascended" mean except that he also descended to the lower, earthly regions? <sup>10</sup> He who descended is the very one who ascended higher than all the heavens, in order to fill the whole universe.) <sup>11</sup> So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, <sup>12</sup> to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up <sup>13</sup> until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.

<sup>14</sup> Then we will no longer be infants, tossed back and forth by the waves, and blown here and there by every wind of teaching and by the cunning and craftiness of people in their deceitful scheming.<sup>15</sup> Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of him who is the head, that is, Christ.<sup>16</sup> From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work.

#### **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 2<sup>nd</sup> May at 9am and 11am Ephesians 4 v 17-32 "The secret to good behaviour"

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



#### **BIRTHDAY NEWS**

Happy birthday to Jean Bradshaw who is 90 years young on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> April. We hope you have a wonderful day full of lots of love and cake! Congratulations from us all.

#### **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!**

3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> 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 2<sup>nd</sup>.

## 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.