

## Sermon Notes

### Prayer Diary

#### Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> January

At the start of a new year, pray for our church family that we give priority to reading the Bible and to prayer. Pray that we live wholeheartedly for God that His light shines in us so others can see his glory.

#### Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> January

Pray for the Hope Explored course beginning next Monday. Pray for those invited to come, and for others to be invited.

#### Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January

As we start a new year pray for our church. Pray we grow to love each other more and care for each other better. Pray we are excited to invite others into our lives and into our church to hear the gospel. Pray God will be glorified in all we plan and do.

#### Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January

Pray for those in our church family who are struggling with illness and bereavement. Pray for healing and comfort. Pray 'the Lord your God goes with you; he will never leave you or forsake you.' Deuteronomy 31:6

#### Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> January

Pray for Helen Sheridan from Crosslinks in Ireland. Pray she continues to trust God for all she needs and grows in her faith and love for Him. Pray for more ladies for her to read the bible with and for friendships to develop.

#### Friday 7<sup>th</sup> January

Pray for everyone who found the last year hard, for those who grieved, for those who struggled financially, for the lonely, for the hungry, the homeless, those in fractured families and those who are unloved. Pray they look to Jesus and find their identity, their hope and a love that is never ending.

#### Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> January

Pray for Andy, our vicar. Pray that he grows in faith and dependence on God. Pray he continues to teach God's word faithfully and always seeks God's wisdom as he leads, teaches and cares for our church.

### Useful Contacts

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ST SIMON  
& ST JUDE  
WITH ALL SOULS

W E L C O M E

**Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2022**  
**10:30am Communion service**  
**Luke 2:21-40**

### COVID-19 & Services

Thank you for coming - we're delighted to have you with us!

We've done everything we can to make our services as safe and welcoming as possible. The wearing of masks is now required for all those who are over-11 except where exemptions apply. There are disposable ones by the door if you have forgotten yours.

We ask that windows remain open and if you require more space, please put this notice sheet on the seat next to you. Please feel free to stay around for tea and coffee, served at the back of the building (9am) or in the hall (11am).

Our 11am service is livestreamed for those who cannot make it in-person due to ill health etc. You can email [admin@stsimonsouthport.org.uk](mailto:admin@stsimonsouthport.org.uk) for a link

*Our Vision Statement*

**"To call people into a loving  
community that follows Jesus Christ"**

[www.stsimonsouthport.org.uk](http://www.stsimonsouthport.org.uk)

## LIFE LIVED TOGETHER IN COMMUNITY

One of the great blessings of the Christian life is that God has designed life to be lived in community. We want to make the most of that at St Simon's and encourage everyone to commit to coming to church to meet in person, week-by-week. (Hebrews 10v24-25). However, we recognise for a few of us, ill-health or unavoidable work patterns make that hard. If that's you, please email [admin@stsimonsouthport.org.uk](mailto:admin@stsimonsouthport.org.uk) for a link to watch the service live. To catch up on a missed sermon, head to our website or YouTube channel.

Connect groups are also a great way to "do life" together, as we seek to encourage one another to be wholehearted disciples of Jesus. We have groups that cater for everyone of any age and stage: single-sex groups and mixed; daytime groups and evening groups: a group for 18-30s and a group with a creche. Please let Andy Liggins know if you'd like to know more

## HOPE EXPLORED COURSE

**Begins Monday 10th January, 7.30 – 9pm**

A brand-new, relaxed, informal, three-week course aiming to answer questions like:

Where can I find hope?  
Is it possible to find peace?  
What's the purpose of life?

The aim is to run it in-person but if this isn't possible then it will happen on Zoom. Speak to Andy Liggins or email [explore@stsimonsouthport.org.uk](mailto:explore@stsimonsouthport.org.uk) for more information.

## ZOOM PRAYER MEETING

**Church Family Prayer Meeting - Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2022**

A chance to gather and pray at the start of 2022.  
On Zoom with no pressure to pray out loud.  
Meeting ID: 829 7277 7456  
Passcode: Prayer  
Dial in: 0208 080 6592

## NEXT WEEK

**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> January**

**9am Communion service**  
**11am Service (with groups 0-16)**

## DAILY BIBLE READING

The beginning of the new year is a great time to get into the habit of reading the Bible each day. The Good Book Company have lots of great resources for all ages to use. Have a look on the bookstall or their website [www.thegoodbook.co.uk](http://www.thegoodbook.co.uk)

We can recommend...

**Explore** for adults

**Beginning with God** for toddlers

**Table talk** for 4 years upwards

**XTB** for 7-11 years Discover for 8-13 years

**Engage** for 13-21 years

They also produce a great selection of daily reading books that cover the whole year in one volume. If you would like a copy to look at before buying, please email us on [admin@stsimonsouthport.org.uk](mailto:admin@stsimonsouthport.org.uk) and we will drop one off for you.

## NORTH WEST PARTNERSHIP ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2022

**Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2022 10.00am – 4:30pm**

**"Delighting in Christ"** is a whole family event with teaching, singing and prayers, alongside children's groups for 5-16s and a parent-led creche for 0-4s.

*"Paul writes in 2 Corinthians, that as we behold His glory we might be transformed. We pray that as His glory, majesty, love and grace are displayed from His Word, our minds and our hearts might be renewed and refreshed in our love and delight in Him."*

**Venue:** The Edge, Wigan **Speaker:** Ray Ortlund

**Tickets:** under 16s free, £15 for over 16s if booked before 19<sup>th</sup> December

More details and booking information  
[www.northwestpartnership.com](http://www.northwestpartnership.com)



## Is this your first time?

Hello & welcome!  
Thank you so much for joining with us

## Need anything?

Ask one of our welcome team who will be happy to help.

## Young Children

Groups for 3-16s are held in the hall during the 11am service. Children will leave for their groups after about 10minutes. 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.

## Livestream

Please note that anyone appearing at the front of church will be seen on the livestream.