

## Sermon Notes

### Prayer Diary

#### Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> January

Pray that like Mary we would treasure and delight in truths about Jesus, even when we are left puzzled by him. (Luke 2v50-51).

#### Monday 10<sup>th</sup> January

Pray for our Hope Explored course starting today. Pray people will come, pray they will see the beauty of Christ and the hope that he brings. Pray for Andy as he leads.

#### Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> January

Pray for our Connect groups starting back this week. Pray as they open God's word together, they will be filled with excitement and eagerness to hear God speak to them.

#### Wednesday 12<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 peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.' Philippians 4:7

#### Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> January

Give thanks for the 26 orphaned children living in Emmanuel House, Sierra Leone. Give thanks they are safe and are loved. As they are taught from the Bible pray that they will respond to the gospel and know they are loved and secure in the arms of our everlasting father.

#### Friday 14<sup>th</sup> January

Pray for everyone affected by Covid, for those who are isolating, have long covid, those who are suffering with it now, those who have lost loved ones, lost work, lost business, and those facing financial worries. Pray for an end to the pandemic.

#### Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> January

Pray Ephesians 4:1-3 for our church family. 'Live a life worthy of the calling you have received. Be completely humble and gentle, bearing with one another in love. Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.'

### Useful Contacts

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ST SIMON  
& ST JUDE  
WITH ALL SOULS

W E L C O M E

**Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2022**

**9.00am Communion**

**11am Morning Service**

**Luke 2:41-52**

### 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 contact Andy Liggins 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.

## NEXT WEEK

**Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> January – Luke 1:57-80**

**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, £18 for over 16s if booked before 19<sup>th</sup> January. 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.