

## Sermon Notes

### Prayer Diary

#### Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> January

Pray for Emelia Birch, baptised today, to grow up trusting in Christ and his Saviour and Lord.

#### Monday 17<sup>th</sup> January

Pray for our Girls brigade and Boy's brigade groups. Pray the children will enjoy meeting together, pray they hear about the love God has for them. Pray for good conversations with parents/guardians at the door.

#### Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> January

Pray for those in our church family who are struggling with illness and bereavement. Pray for healing and comfort. Pray they depend on God 'the father of compassion and the God of all comfort.' 2 Corinthians:3

#### Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> January

Pray with Open Doors tonight as they pray for 10 countries where following Jesus costs the most. Pray that persecuted believers will keep trusting in God and keep depending on him with their eyes fixed on Jesus.

#### Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> January

Pray for those going to the North West Partnership Conference. Pray they are encouraged to delight in Christ more and be renewed and refreshed in their love for Him.

#### Friday 21<sup>st</sup> January

Pray for those on our Hope Explored course. Pray people will see Jesus offers real hope and a joyful expectation for the future. As they hear about Jesus' life, death and resurrection pray they will be saved by grace for God's glory.

#### Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> January

Pray for our Junior church groups as they meet tomorrow. Pray the children will listen and develop a hunger for God's word. Pray they don't just learn bible stories but learn bible truths and allow God's word to shape their lives and their future.

### Useful Contacts

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ST SIMON  
& ST JUDE  
WITH ALL SOULS

W E L C O M E

**Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2022**

**9.00am Communion**

**11am Morning Service (Baptism)**

**Luke 1:57-80**

### 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.

## HOPE EXPLORED COURSE

**Begins Sunday 16th January, 7.30pm – 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.

## CHURCH FAMILY PRAYER MEETING

**Sunday 6th February, 7pm – 8pm**

For the rest of this term our monthly prayer meetings will happen on a Sunday evening in the main building. It will be a chance for all to come together to pray, to hear news and to sing. The February prayer meeting will take the place of Connect groups in the week beginning 31<sup>st</sup> January.

## NEXT WEEK

**Sunday 23rd January – Luke 3:1-20**

**9am Service of the Word**

**11am Communion 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 10 minutes. 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.