## **Sermon Notes**

#### **Prayer Diary**

#### Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup>January

Pray that as a church family, we would respond to the good news of Jesus with lives of whole-hearted repentance (Luke 3:8).

### Monday24<sup>th</sup> January

Pray for Happy Monday's. Pray friendships are formed and the adults feel comfortable in the group. Pray the children enjoy playing together. Pray for Annie & Poppy as they lead, for wisdom and confidence.

#### Tuesday 25th January

Pray for each person using our Food Pantry. Pray that their physical needs will be met, pray they are comforted by the love shown to them by the volunteers and be drawn to God.

#### Wednesday 26th January

Pray for those in our church family who are struggling with illness and bereavement. Pray for healing and comfort. Pray 'may your unfailing love be my comfort.' Psalm 119:76

#### Thursday 27th January

Pray for Bishop David Sheppard School. Pray for strong links to our church. Pray for Andy as he does assemblies that children and teachers will listen and will want to know more about Jesus.

#### Friday 28<sup>th</sup> January

Pray for Wellfield Church. They have many visitors, there is a real hunger for meaning in life. Pray that Mark and his team make the most of every opportunity to speak of the Gospel and the hope Jesus brings. Pray lives will be changed and God will be glorified.

#### Saturday 29th 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 God will be glorified. Pray they have all their questions answered in Jesus.



## WELCOME

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2022 9.00am Service of the Word 11am Communion Luke 3:1-20

## **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 <u>admin@stsimonsouthport.org.uk</u> for a link

## Our Vision Statement "To call people into a loving community that follows Jesus Christ"

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## **Useful Contacts**

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## 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 inperson, 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 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.

## 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 <u>www.thegoodbook.co.uk</u>

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 <a href="mailto:admin@stsimonsouthport.org.uk">admin@stsimonsouthport.org.uk</a> and we will drop one off for you.

## NEXT WEEK

Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> January - Luke 3:21-4:13 9am Communion 11am Service (with groups 0-16)

## HOPE EXPLORED COURSE

## Second session 23<sup>rd</sup> 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?

Takes place at 72 Roe Lane, speak to Andy Liggins or email <u>explore@stsimonsouthport.org.uk</u> for more information.

## WEEKLY PRAYER MEETING

## Friday morning, 7.45 – 8.15am

A weekly chance to come together and pray together. Every week in the Jude Room, except for the Friday before a monthly prayer meeting.

## **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.

## HELP WITH CHURCH ADMIN

We're grateful to Lorna Norcross who has volunteered to take on the bulk of our church admin needs.



# 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.