

Steeple Bumpstead Congregational Church



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Church Secretary: Christine Blyth – tel: 01440 762066
Worship for all ages, everybody
welcome

Sunday 15th January 2023
Morning Service starting 10.30 am

"The Prodigal Son" Luke Ch. 15: 11-32

Chris Stirling will be back with us on Sunday preaching from the Parable of "The Prodigal Son". Set out in the Gospel of Luke 15; 11-32

Other Reminders and Upcoming Events

TUESDAY PRAYER MEETING FOR UKRAINE / RUSSIAN CONFLICT AND OTHER KEY ISSUES; The next prayer meeting will be held on Tuesday 17th January between 11.00 am and 12 noon at SBCC in the Lecture Hall.

PILOTS CLUB FOR CHILDREN;

Fun and activities for the over 5s on Thursdays; 5.15pm - 6.15pm

SUNDAY SERVICE REFRESHMENTS ROTA

Sun., 15th Jan., Gill + Sun., 22nd Jan., Ann & Linda

LEADERS TEAM MEETING on Tuesday 17th January 2023 at 7.00 pm

MEETING FOR MEMBERS AND REGULAR WORSHIPPERS

After the Morning Service on Sunday 22nd Jan., 2023

with a "bring your own lunch" (and a bit for others if you can

manage that.)

PRAYERS

Please continue to pray for the leadership team (Annie, Sheila, Wayne, Colin and Chris) as they work together with the Church to seek God's mind for the way ahead in the future. Keep in mind God's Word to us, as a fellowship, to "Forget the former things, do not dwell on the past. See I am doing a new thing!" Isaiah 43.18/19

For members of our fellowship or people connected to us

Pray for the compassion, peace and the healing of God, for all those in our congregation, and wider community, suffering pain and illness or going through adverse times; including;

Andrew; Continue to pray for Andrew and his wellbeing. It was good that he was able to come along to Church recently and to help out!.

David; Continue to pray for David and the ongoing dialysis treatment he needs. **Jill Vaughan**; Pray for Jill's health and that the new course of treatment she has started to treat the cancer will be effective.

Charlie (Mary's husband). Please pray for Charlie who is recovering from a fall and a broken wrist and dislocated shoulder. Also pray for Mary and family as they seek to care and support Charlie through this time of recuperation and recovery.

Jane Stirling. Continue to pray for Jane's health having come through successful preventative treatment for cancer and more recently some dental treatment. However her Mastocytosis is back which leaves her feeling very lethargic and sick, although she does try to lead as normal a life as possible,

Wendy; Colin & Margaret recently had contact with Wendy who has been advised that she has a legion on her liver. Please pray she will have effective treatment for this.

Sue Preston; suffers from Sjogrens (body dries out) please pray for Sue that the Lord would intervene and bring healing to her body.

Fred Dare. We thank God for Sue's testimony of her recent visit to see Fred and the very positive occasion it had been with Fred joining in Carols and Christian songs with her and her daughter. Fred in past years has been a very active member of SBCC and is currently in care in "Cedars", Halstead, suffering from Dementia. Please continue to pray for him and for wife Sue and family who are doing what they can to support him.

Overseas ministries supported by the Church

Pastor John; Continue to pray for the effective pastoral and service in the communities in Southern India where he ministers in challenging circumstances which include persecution, illness, and poverty. Also pray for recognition of BMT ministries by the Indian government / authorities.

House of Joshua; Pray for children and adults, of the House of Joshua community in the Philippines, to be sustained by faith and encouragement from ourselves and others in the Body of Christ.

National and International issues

Continue to pray for current national and international matters, including King Charles, the Royal family; Prime Minister Rishi Sunak; the economic situation and its effect on people; the serious situation that exists in Europe and the world following the Russian invasion of Ukraine. Pray that God will over-rule in the conflict to minimise bloodshed, and for effective ongoing support of the Ukrainian people and refugees. Thanks to God for answered prayers. Pray also for the people of Pakistan in need of relief from the floods and its devastation. Sadly there is no shortage of distressing situations and those who need our prayers.

To include items on our prayer page, or to advise of other needs, please get in touch with one of our leaders

<u>Leadership Team:</u>

Wayne Taylor 01440 762771; Colin Preston 01440 421639; Sheila Burr;01440 730711; Annie Turner 01440 730666; and Christine Blyth 01440 762066

Tuesdays and Thursdays; Open Church; 10am - 12pm*

Time and space for prayer, quiet time, or to meet with others.

*The Church will usually be open at these times. On Thursday mornings you can enjoy hearing our band and singers practising.

Web Site and Utube Channel

Search for "Steeple Bumpstead Congregational Church" on YouTube, or follow the link to our website:

www.steeplebumpsteadcc.org

Our music group has recorded a range of hymns and worship songs for your enjoyment and blessing..

If you would like to support the church by giving, you can make a contribution to the offering in person during the Sunday morning Service or on-line, by asking our secretary, Chris Blyth for the necessary information. Thank you.