

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

> Palm Sunday Service on 2 April 2023 at 10.30 am

> > Communion: followed by the message "For we walk by faith, not by sight" 2 Cor. 5 v 7

George Tadrous will be with us to share a message based on the above theme and scripture.

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 4th April between 11.00 am and 12 noon at SBCC in the Lecture Hall.

CHURCH SPRING CLEAN Wednesday 5th April from 11.00 am MEETING FOR MEMBERS AND REGULAR WORSHIPPERS Wednesday 5th April at 7.00 pm

## MAUNDY THURSDAY COMMUNION Thursday 6th April at 6.00pm EASTER SUNDAY CELEBRATION Sunday 9th April at 10.30am

# SUNDAY SERVICE REFRESHMENTS ROTA

Sun., 2 Apr.; Barbara and Peter Sun., 9th Apr.; Gill +

# 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, <u>do not dwell on the past.</u> 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; We continue to pray for Andrew's well-being.

David; Pray for David's ongoing dialysis treatment that he needs..

**Jill Vaughan**; The feedback from visitors from the congregation is that Jill is comfortable at home with her live-in carer. Please continue to pray for Jill and those caring for and supporting her at this time.

**Charlie** (Mary's husband) Charlie continues to recover from a fall and a broken wrist and dislocated shoulder. Please pray for Mary and the family as they continue to care and support Charlie through this time.

Jane & Chris Stirling. Jane is to have a full body scan and other tests at the present time and has been told that she has non alcoholic Cirrhosis of the liver. Let's persevere with our prayers for Jane and Chris, who continues to make progress with recovery of his mobility.

**Wendy;** Continue please to pray for Wendy who has been advised that she has a lesion on her liver and is to undergo further scans on this and on her back and leg..

**Sue Preston**; is suffering from Sjogrens (body dries out); please pray for Sue that the Lord would intervene and bring healing to her body. We thank God for identification of the cause of her stomach problems which Sue has had over the last 18 years !!! Pray that Sue will receive the right treatment for this.

**Fred Dare**. Please continue to pray for Sue and her family supporting Fred who is settling back into his care home. Fred is suffering from Dementia.

**Peter Creasy;** Please continue to pray for Peter who is recovering from his recent operation and is waiting for follow up treatments needed in the near future.

**Roger;** Please pray that Roger's ongoing health will be maintained following issues he has had to deal with recently, and for his wife Jane suffering from a respiratory condition.

**Frankie**; Please continue to pray for Frankie's recovery from a fall and a dislocated shoulder. Frankie is at home and coping with life with support from her daughter and friends.

## Overseas ministries supported by the Church

**Pastor John**; Continue to pray for the effective pastoral care and service in the communities in Southern India where Pastor John ministers in challenging circumstances which include persecution, illness, and poverty.

**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. Thank God for answered prayers. Pray also for the people of Pakistan in need of relief from the floods and its devastation..

#### Earthquake in Turkey / Syria

Pray for those involved in caring for those adversely affected by the recent earthquake in Turkey and Syria. Many people have died as a result of buildings that have collapsed in the areas. Thank God for those helping the homeless and seeking to support families that have lost loved ones.

# *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.