



# Steeple Bumpstead Congregational Church

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

***Sunday Service 23rd April 2023  
at 10.30 am***

***“The Aroma of God”  
2 Corinthians Ch. 2 - 2 to 17***

***Vivien Sargeant will be with us to share a message  
based on the above theme and scriptures.***

### 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 25th April 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  
during school term time.***

**CHAPEL STREET CAFE on  
SATURDAY 29th APRIL; 10.00 - 12.00 NOON**  
Tea, coffee & cakes. and bacon rolls, good conversation or quiet  
relaxation, childrens face-painting & activities all free of charge  
Please let Linda (731770) or Ann (731689) know if you are able to  
contribute or help in any way

**CELEBRATION OF THE LIFE OF JILL VAUGHAN  
FRIDAY 26TH MAY 2023 AT 11.00 AM**  
Vivien Sargeant will be conducting the Service of Celebration of  
the life of Jill Vaughan at Steeple Bumpstead CC on Friday 26th  
May at 11.00 am. The family are inviting all who knew Jill, who wish  
to pay their respects, to join them at the service and for  
refreshments in the Lecture Hall afterwards. If you plan to attend  
please let Chris Blyth know so that the information can be passed  
to Jill's family so they can plan the catering arrangements.

**EVANGELICAL ALLIANCE MAGAZINE - SPRING EDITION OF *idea***  
The theme of the Spring Edition is "*a time to grow*" (available on  
the table at the back of the Church)

**SUNDAY SERVICE REFRESHMENTS ROTA**  
*Sun., 23rd Apr.; Sue and Mary*  
*Sun., 30th Apr., Ann*

### **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's health and well-being.

**David;** Pray for improvement of David's low blood pressure and ongoing dialysis treatment that he needs..

**Jill Vaughan's Family and friends;** Please continue to pray for Jill's family and friends as they come to terms with their sad loss.

**Charlie** Mary's husband Charlie is continuing to recover from a fall and a broken wrist and dislocated shoulder. However let's continue to pray for Mary and family as they continue to care and support Charlie.

**Jane & Chris Stirling.** Having now been confirmed that Jane has lung cancer in several places and Radio therapy and chemo are not treatment options let's continue with our prayers for Jane, Chris and her family. Chris 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. She has recently had an operation on her shoulder as well.

**Fred Dare.** Continue to pray for Sue and her family supporting Fred who is in his care home. Fred is suffering from Dementia.

**Peter Creasy;** Please continue to pray for Peter recovering from his recent operation and who is waiting for follow up treatments/procedures needed.

**Roger;** Please pray that Roger's ongoing health will be maintained following issues he has had to deal with recently..

**Frankie;** Let's continue to pray for Frankie's recovery from a fall and a dislocated shoulder. Frankie is at home making progress in her recovery 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 effects of floods and its devastation..

### ***Earthquake in Turkey / Syria***

Please continue to pray for those involved in caring for those adversely affected by the 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***

***Leadership Team:***

***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:

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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.