



# Steeple Bumpstead Congregational Church

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

***Harvest & Communion Service***  
***1st October 2023 at 10.30 am***  
***“God is faithful and will strengthen and  
protect you”***  
***Thessalonians Ch. 2 v 13 to Ch. 3 v 5***

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

### Reminders and Upcoming Events

**TUESDAY PRAYER MEETING FOR KEY ISSUES AND ALSO FOR  
UKRAINE / RUSSIAN CONFLICT; *The next prayer meeting will be  
held on Tuesday 3rd October 2023 between  
11.00 am and 12 noon (SBCC in the Lecture Hall).***

**PILOTS CLUB FOR CHILDREN: Thursdays during Term time  
between 5.15pm and 6.15pm. For children from 5yrs. upwards. Fun,  
crafts, games, music and various projects..**

### **SUNDAY SERVICE REFRESHMENTS ROTA**

***Sun., 1 Oct., Sue***

***Sun., 8 Oct., Jill***

**WEDNESDAY 4TH OCTOBER - Macmillan Coffee Morning  
10.00am - 12 noon in the Lecture Hall**

**AN EVENING WITH PAUL JONES AND FIONA HENDLEY;  
FRIDAY 17TH NOVEMBER 2023**

We invite you, to what we believe will be, an uplifting evening on Friday 17th November when Paul Jones (lead singer of Manfred Mann) and his actress wife, Fiona (ITV drama "Widows" and Royal Shakespeare Company) will sing songs and tell of their amazing journey, Manfred Mann fame and a powerful love story.

Admission will be by ticket only (no charge but you need to register your interest with our Church Secretary, Chris Blyth, on 01440 762066 as tickets will be allocated on a first come first served basis **(only a very few tickets are now available)**)

**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. Remember God's Word to us, as a fellowship; ***"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 and people connected to us. Pray for the compassion, peace and the healing of God, for all those in our congregation, and the wider community, suffering pain and illness or going through adverse times; including:***

**Danny and his carer;** please continue to pray for Danny's healing and recovery from Chrohn's disease, having been seriously ill and in hospital. Danny is on a special diet to aid his recovery. Please also continue to pray for Danny's carer (Rachel) following a recent bereavement.

**Chris Stirling;** Pray for ongoing fruit from the wonderful service of thanksgiving and remembrance of Jane held on Saturday 23rd September. Please also continue to pray for Chris and for his family of son and daughter, grandchildren and great grandchildren for God's love and peace in the coming days.

**Wendy;** Please continue to pray for Wendy undergoing medical tests, and who has other pressing health issues in and among her family.

**David;** has been very ill but has recovered from Covid, and other health complications. David would value your prayers for ongoing health improvement and recovery from any long Covid issues.

**Charlie;** Continue to pray for Mary and family as they care for and support the health needs of Charlie. Thank the Lord they are currently holidaying together.

**Andrew;** Please pray for health and ongoing wellbeing.

**Sue Preston** Suffering from Sjogrens (body dries out); pray that the Lord would intervene and bring healing to her body. We thank God for some improvement of some of the issues.

**Fred Dare.** Continue to pray for Sue and family supporting Fred who is in nursing care (suffering from Dementia and who continues to go through a difficult time).

**Peter Creasy;** Pray for Peter waiting for follow up treatments and procedures.

**Roger;** Continue to pray for Roger's health and wellbeing.

### ***Overseas ministries supported by the Church***

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

**House of Joshua (Phillipines);** Pray for the children and adults of the House of Joshua community to be sustained by faith and encouragement through current difficult and challenging times.

### ***National and International issues***

Please pray for current national and international matters, including the reign of King Charles III, the Government, the economic situation, the serious situation in Europe and the world following the Russian invasion of Ukraine. Pray that God will over-rule in the conflict to minimise bloodshed, and suffering

**Morocco** - Pray for the families of those killed or injured in the recent earthquake, for the rescue work that is going on and for the witness of Christian love being expressed into the situation.

**Libya** - Please pray for the situation in Libya following the recent flooding and massive loss of life (over 11,000 people). We continue to pray for the supply of life supporting aid and help to those involved in recovering bodies and helping those displaced by the destruction.

***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:

**[www.steeplebumpsteadcc.org](http://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 box in  
person during the Sunday morning Service or on-line,  
by asking our secretary, Chris Blyth for the necessary  
information. Thank you.