



## St. Simon's Church Newsletter

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2016

### New sermon series

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Our new sermon series continues:



10<sup>th</sup> July - How do we interpret Bible verses?

17<sup>th</sup> July - What do I do when what I read doesn't fit with the culture?

24<sup>th</sup> July - The Bible and the Spiritual warfare.

31<sup>st</sup> July – What does a Bible saturated life look like?

If you do miss any of these sermons, recordings are normally available on the church website - <http://www.stsimons-southsea.org.uk/sermons/>

## Youth Worker advertisement

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A copy of our current advertisement is below. Please share this with anyone that you feel may be interested.

St Simon's is an evangelical Anglican church in Southsea, Hampshire, located just five minutes walk from the sea front.

We are seeking to appoint a motivated, organised and committed Christian to join our leadership team as a full time Youth Worker. This is an exciting opportunity in which you will have the responsibility to strengthen and grow the ministry to the young people (age 11+) who are already members of St Simon's Church, as well as developing new initiatives to reach out to other young people who have little or no understanding of Christianity, or contact with church. In this role you will work alongside the Children and Families' pastor who has responsibility for younger children.

This is a full time post (36 hours per week). The salary will be in the range £18,000 - £25,000 p.a. dependent on the experience and qualifications of the person appointed.

Closing date for applications is Wednesday 27th July, with interviews being held on Monday 8th August.

To request an information pack or application form, please contact the Church Office.

## Feedback to Susi

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Having been here at St. Simon's for the last two months it is time for some feedback. There is a green box at the back of church which says "Feedback" and it will be there for two weeks. It will be really great if all of you can feedback. Susi

## Tuesday Bible Alive – future dates

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12th July	After Pentecost: Part 1 – The Church Persecuted & Scattered, Business as Usual
26th July	After Pentecost: Part 2 – The First Gentile Convert

All meetings are at 7.30 pm in the Church Lounge.

## Restorative Justice and the Church in Portsmouth

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Following the conference on 21<sup>st</sup> May, Portsmouth Mediation Service present a morning conference for the City's Christians, "Restorative Justice and the Church in Portsmouth" at Oasis, Arundel Street, Portsmouth on **Wednesday the 13th July** 9.00am to 12.00pm, including tea, coffee and continental breakfast on arrival from 8.30am.

## Picnic and BBQ for all ages

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This is hosted by St. Jude's on **Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> July** lunchtime (after the morning services) on Castle Field, Southsea (by the big trees near the Castle). Details were in the 3<sup>rd</sup> July Newsletter.

## Grub Club, Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July

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Join us for lunch by the sea at Rocksby's Restaurant on the sea front. They have a senior citizens' special deal of fish gougons with chips and peas, followed by ice cream and tea or coffee, for £7. The usual menu is available for younger folk! Tables are booked for 12.30 and Phil Gower is organising this – please contact him on 023 9287 7389.

## Visit by Matthew and Jayne, Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> July

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Matthew and Jayne Holland will be visiting St. Simon's on **Sunday 24th July** when Matthew will be preaching on "The Bible and Spiritual Warfare".

## Fundraising BBQ

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Gail will be holding a BBQ at her home from 4 p.m. on **Sunday 24th July**, which will be raising money equally for two causes. Details are available in the 3<sup>rd</sup> July Newsletter. Tickets for the BBQ are £10 and for this you will have the usual BBQ items with salads, and a second course of delicious home-made desserts! Numbers are limited, so please see Gail or the church office if you would like to come.

## Minibus Day Trip to London

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The XCell home group has booked the minibus for their cell outing to London on **Wednesday 27th July**. If anyone would like to go to London for a donation of between £8 and £10 (depending on the number of those travelling), there are about 7 seats available. The bus will be leaving the church car park at 8.30 and leaving London for the trip back, at about 7 p.m. Please contact Dinah Walters if you would like to go.

## Work Morning

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A Work Morning will be held on **Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> July**, 09.00 am – 12.00 midday. This is one of a series of occasional mornings when all church members are asked to come along and contribute to the maintenance and cleaning of the church. The DIY Team will oversee the tasks on the day.

## Visit by Neil and Abby Langmead

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Neil and Abby Langmead, with Isaac and Owen, will be visiting Southsea during July. They will preach on **Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> July** about their work in Beijing. We will be inviting donations to help support their work on that day. If you would like to contribute at any other time, details of how to give are available from the church office.

## Social events

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The [list of social events for July – December](#) is now available on the website and the Welcome Table.

## **Ride + Stride 2016**

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Ride + Stride will be taking place on **Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> September** this year. Julie Jamieson would be grateful to hear from anyone who is willing to help on the day on a rota basis.

## **Growing a Healing Ministry course**

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“Growing a Healing Ministry” is a course designed by the Acorn Christian Healing Foundation which outlines the essentials of Christian Healing Ministry and gives participants the opportunity to engage in a practical way. It will be led by David Pearson and will take place in Farlington on six Thursday evenings from **29<sup>th</sup> September to 10<sup>th</sup> November**, excluding 27<sup>th</sup> October (half-term), 7.30pm - 9.30pm. Details were in the 3<sup>rd</sup> July Newsletter.

## **Visit of Children from Chernobyl**

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Donations would still be gratefully accepted. Details were in the 3<sup>rd</sup> July Newsletter

## **New Wine**

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Is anybody going to New Wine week 2 (31<sup>st</sup> July – 6<sup>th</sup> August) please? If so, can you let Susi know.

## **Newsletter Dates**

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Due to staff holidays, the normal pattern of Newsletters dates will change temporarily. Future dates are: 31<sup>st</sup> July and fortnightly thereafter.

## **The Gabriel Project**

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The Gabriel Project is a drop-in centre at Wymering Church Hall, Old Wymering Lane on Mondays and Fridays 10.00 am – 2.0 pm. It offers help with benefits, debt advice, someone to talk to, free computer use and help with computer problems. Simply call in or phone 023 9237 6307 for further details.

## **We'll Meet Again**

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The final total profit from this event was £295. Many thanks again to all that supported this in any way.

## Regular Events

**Little Shipmates** (Mondays 9.30 – 11 am, Church Centre, term time)

**Tuesday Time Together** (Praise and Prayer, 10 am in the South Room)

**Tuesday Bible Alive** (Alternate Tuesdays, 7.30 pm in the Church Lounge)

**City Churches Prayer Meeting** (Wednesdays 6.30am, at Oasis, Arundel Street)

**Youth Cell** (Thursday evenings at St. Jude's. Contact Babette – see below)

**Breakthru Self-Help Community** (Fridays 10.30 am to 2.30 pm)

**Sunday Morning Worship with Children's Groups** (see back page)

**Sunday Suppers + Sunday Extra** (Sunday nights 6 to 7.15 pm)

**Rhythm of Prayer** (Wednesdays at 6.00 pm and Fridays at 09.30 am)

**Starlight Theatre Academy** (Sundays 1.00-2.30 pm. Contact Babette)

**Prayer for Israel** (fourth Fridays 3.00–4.00 pm Lounge. Contact Ruth Warner)

There is also a variety of **Small Groups** for adults for discipleship, prayer and support. Phone the Church Office on 9282 9440 or you can find a list of our current groups on our website.

## Notes

These Newsletters are published fortnightly. The deadline for contributions is midnight of the Tuesday before publication. Please send your news, notices of events, etc. to the Church Office.

Would you like to read this Newsletter in large print? Please let the office know.

This newsletter is available on the church website.

If you would like to receive notification via e-mail when future Newsletters are available, please request this from the Church Office.

## Services at St. Simon's

### Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> July

10.30 am Morning Praise  
6.30 pm Sunday Supper

### Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> July

10.30 am Holy Communion  
6.30 pm Sunday Supper

### Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> July

10.30 am Morning Praise  
6.30 pm Sunday Supper

### Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> July

10.30 am Morning Praise  
6.30 pm Sunday Supper

If you would like more details of any of the events listed here, please contact the Church Office, or visit the Calendar on our website:

[www.stsimons-southsea.org.uk](http://www.stsimons-southsea.org.uk)



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