



St. Simon's Church Newsletter

Sunday 9th October 2016

New sermon series – The Apostles' Creed

Our sermon series, looking at the Apostles' Creed, continues:

9th October

“On the third day he rose again”

16th October

“he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father”

23rd October

“and he will come to judge the living and the dead.”

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

Tuesday Bible Alive – future dates

18th October	After Pentecost: Part 6 - Hope
1st November	The Miracles of Jesus (1): Part 5 – Alive and Well
15th November	The Miracles of Jesus (1): Part 6 – Body Parts!
29th November	The Miracles of Jesus(2): Part 1 – Lessons in Faith

All meetings are at 7.30 pm in the Church Lounge.

Ladies' Evening

Gail Chipperfield is hosting a Ladies' Evening at her home from 7.30 p.m. on **Wednesday 12th October**. This is an opportunity for lady church members of all ages to get to know each other a little better. Numbers are, however, limited to 20 so please see either Gail or Dinah as soon as possible if you would like to come. There is a modest charge of £1 to cover light nibbles and you are asked to bring what you would like to drink.

Mini Quiz Night

Mick and Dinah Walters are holding a mini quiz night at their home on **Friday 14th October** to support a project run by their son and his wife, Chris and Amy Walters. They are youth workers at their church in Kent and are taking a group of church youngsters to a building project in Romania which their church sponsors. Tickets for the Quiz Night are £10, which includes a ploughman's supper and puddings, and there will be five rounds of questions. Numbers are limited to 18 (three teams of six). Please contact Mick and Dinah directly if you would like to come and/or if you would like more information about the Romania project.

Men's Movie – The Italian Job

Who doesn't like to watch a classic movie? So why not join us for an evening watching the original film version of The Italian Job on **Saturday 15th October**? Please feel free to invite family and friends. If you're interested in coming, contact Cliff Golledge or the church office, for catering purposes. Please would you kindly consider making a donation (£5 per) to cover cost of purchasing pizza. Start time is 7.30 pm. Please contact Cliff Golledge.

Faith & Football – Guest Curry Night

A Guest Curry Night will be held on **Monday 17th October** at Fratton Park. Linvoy Primus will be the guest speaker. You can book tickets [here](#).

This is an event for you to invite your non-Christian friends as it is designed for those who need to hear the gospel. Please be both prayerful and intentional about inviting people. Jesus said "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick".

Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes

We will be organising Christmas shoeboxes again this year to be delivered to children in troubled parts of the world. The appeal will be launched on **Sunday 9th October** and the Pack and Wrap Party is planned for **Saturday 12th November**. For further details, please contact Ruth Taylor.



Barn Dance and Ploughman's Supper – 21st October

- All ages, all levels, dancers, non-dancers, hand clappers, toe tappers
- All welcome, 7.30 pm – 10.00 pm
- Music by The Polite Mechanicals
- Tickets £8, children £2, on sale in September
- Flat shoes please
- More details later – please contact Geraldine Poulter in the meantime.

Women's Breakfast

Our Women's Breakfast is planned to be on **Saturday 29th October** from 8.30 am onwards. Great fellowship, cooked breakfast along with an inspiring short talk by Revd. Annie McCabe. Ladies please sign in ASAP; sign-in sheets are available at the back of the church. A suggested donation of £4 or more would be appreciated. We also need at least 6 men who would cook and serve on that day to return the favour that we received during the men's breakfast. For more info speak to Susi, Ruth James or Cliff Gollodge.

St. Simon's Youth present: The Launch Night

We are hosting a night of food, fun and games in St Simons Church on **Thursday 27th October**. This night will give young people a space to have fun and will give us the opportunity to meet them and introduce ourselves.

The night will take place in the main church from 7pm-9pm. There will be lots of activities to do, and we will be hiring out some bouncy castles!

We need all the help we can get to run the night, so if you can give up a few hours please come along and help us out. To find out what you can do, speak to Bryn or email him via the church office.

Table Top Sale

Afternoon Table Top Sale, **Saturday 29th October** 1-3pm. To book a table please contact Julie J or Mick in the office. Offers of help please. Good quality items wanted for sale on the church tables. Please pass to Julie nearer the time. Many thanks, Julie J.

Christmas Day Sunday Supper

Christmas Day this year falls on a Sunday. We plan to offer a Sunday Supper as normal but the usual kitchen team is unavailable due to family commitments. We therefore need volunteers to prepare food, etc. for this one date. If you are able to help or would like further information, please contact Lorna or Mick in the office. It may seem some time away but we need to know soon please.

Social events

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

Wednesday 12th October	- A ladies' evening.
Saturday 15th October	- Men's Movie Night in the Church.
Saturday 29th October	- Ladies' Breakfast in the Church Centre.
Saturday 12th November	- Shoe Box Pack and Wrap Party.
Friday 18th November	- Grub Club Curry Night at Purple Mango.
Thursday 15th December	- Grub Club Christmas Meal.
Sunday 1st January, 2017	- Walk along Southsea Seafront, 2 pm.

Carrier bags wanted

We need a number of carrier bags in order to give away food parcels at Sunday Suppers. Please pass any unwanted bags to the church office. Thank you.

Church Lounge – Wednesday Evenings

Please note that from 21st September the Lounge will be in use on Wednesday evenings from approximately 7.30 pm and should not be used as a thoroughfare. This is for a one-month trial initially. Please inform any member of the Standing Committee or Mick in the church office if you find that this is a problem.

Job Vacancy

North End Baptist Church is looking for an Admin Assistant, working 9 hours per week. Closing date for applications is Friday 14th October. Further details are available from the church office.

Drivers Wanted - OCC Shoeboxes

Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child say... "We are looking for drivers to join our team, who can either drive a van or their own cars or minibuses to help us collect shoeboxes in the PO postcode area". Please contact the church office if you may be able to help with this.

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 Bryn – 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)

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 9th October

10.30 am Morning Praise
6.30 pm Sunday Supper

Sunday 23rd October

10.30 am Morning Praise
6.30 pm Sunday Supper

Sunday 16th October

10.30 am Holy Communion
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



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