

Notices for July 2022

Stockwood Free Church

SUNDAY SERVICES AT 10.45am ON SFC PREMISES AND ON FCC

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SUNDAY MORNING SERVICES

After a couple of one-off topics at the start of the month, our theme for the summer will be "**God's Champions!**". We will be shadowing the Adventurers as has been our custom for several years now.

- 10th Ted Morse – includes Family Communion
- 17th Martin Stephens – Noah – Genesis 6:1 – 9:17
- 24th Ted Morse – Gideon – Judges 6 & 7
- 31st Lance Mason – Job

NEWER & ONE-OFF ITEMS:

PRAYER FOR OUR OWN CHILDREN/FOSTER CHILDREN/GRANDCHILDREN/GOD CHILDREN, ETC

Saturday 9th at 9am-10am on SFC Premises

Please join us for some, or all of this hour – it is good to share and support each other.

WEBNET (our local Baptist Association) AGM is on **Monday 11th** at Chipping Sodbury Baptist church.

"Everyone who is part of a church in our network is welcome to join our Summer Gathering and AGM, so do feel free to extend the invitation to your wider church family. We will have some food together at 6pm and gather for our celebration and AGM at 7pm."

Please contact Lance or Clare for more details.

CHURCH OUTING

Saturday 16th – Please ensure that any outstanding payments are made to the church bank account or in cash to Hilary Newman. Thank you.

The charge for a seat on the coach is £15 for adults and £7 for children. The coach will pick-up from the church at 8.30am and arrive in Weymouth by about 11.15am. We will leave Weymouth at 5.30pm, getting back to Stockwood around 8.15pm. Anyone is welcome to make their own way (eg, by car) and join us on the beach.

BRISTOL STREET PASTORS are struggling to get teams out due to many retirements over the last 2 years. We did have 24 Street Pastors in 2019 and are now down to 16. To put it into perspective – Glasgow had 106 Street Pastors in 2019!

We could help so many more people if we had even 10 more Street pastors. At the moment, we are having to cancel patrols due to a lack of volunteers. Please can you help spread the word – that we need more Street Pastors and Prayer Pastors too.

We are running a Roles & Responsibilities course on **Saturday 16th July** from 10am to 2pm at Victoria Methodist Church, 1a Whiteladies Road, BS8 1NU. Also, anyone can book an observer night to see what it is REALLY like. If you'd like more information or want to book a place, please contact:

bristol@streetpastors.org.uk

OFFER OF PRACTICAL HELP

The members of Wildfire (formally known as G1) would love to help someone out in August. We are not professionals or qualified, but if you have any project where you need a few practical hands please let Jessica Clements or Lance know.

A LOCAL NEED

One of my contacts at the children's centre is currently working with a family who need:

- a single bedframe
- a fridge-freezer
- a cooker

Please talk to Lance if you can help with any of these. Thank you.

LIFTS

I received the following message from our Social Prescriber at the medical centre....

"My name is Ruth Bartlett, and I am the new Social Prescriber for Connexus PCN (replacing Jeannie Morrice). [PCN = Primary Care Network]. I am hoping to set up a volunteer driver service as some of our patients have no transport for activities that would really benefit them, and they are not all on easy bus routes. Do you have any willing volunteers that might be interested? So far, I am thinking of a bank of names (all would need DBS which we can arrange) and available days, to be able to contact ad hoc as the needs arise, with potential for volunteers claiming back petrol costs if that is an issue".

Again, please talk to Lance if you can help with this. Thank you.

THIS NEWSLETTER

The intention is that everyone who is online receives a weekly update by e-mail. Those who are not online should receive a hard copy by hand, or through their letterbox, at least at the start of each month and sometimes in between. If you are aware that this is not happening for whatever reason, please let Lance or Sam Powell know. If there is ever anything that you think others in the church would want to know about, please let Sam know.

LANCE'S LABOURS

I am currently thinking about two things for the Autumn:

1. Our preaching series (which will probably be based in the New Testament).
2. The possibility of running an Alpha course – I'd also be grateful for your thoughts on this.

WHERE IS LANCE?

We are trying to fit in some family breaks this summer and so we (Lance, Carol & Rebecca) will certainly be away from **Sunday 17th to Friday 22nd July**.

FELLOWSHIP NEWS

Rebecca Mason – We are so thankful that her last bone marrow scan for the time being revealed no sign of any leukemia.

David Reeve – Please pray for him and for Barbara as finally David has his knee operation this week.

If there are ever other people whose news should be shared please – provided you know they are happy with this – let Lance know.

REGULAR WEEKLY/MONTHLY ITEMS:

SERVICE LINK

You have the option of downloading the video(mp4), audio(mp3) and online(mp4). The online version which was captured from live includes the presentation. ***Remember that you can still tune in to the service each week either at the time or later, even if you have no computer access***

Sunday 3rd

Video

<https://fccdl.in/gfFmypd80H>

Audio

Dial: 033 00 88 194519

Access Code: 353390#

Service Ref No: 817#

HOME GROUPS

Mondays: Each week at 7.45pm on Zoom (contact Howard Penney)

Thursdays: Each week at 7.45pm – 83 Stockwood Road

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LEADERS MEETING

Wednesday 6th at 7.45pm on SFC Premises. Please talk to Lance or Clare if there is anything that you would like us to consider.

WORSHIP PLANNING

Wednesday 13th at 8pm on SFC Premises. Again, please talk to Lance or Clare if you have any comments on our Sunday services or anything that you would like us to consider for the future.

MEMBERS' MEETING

Thursday 14th at 7.45pm on SFC Premises. Please do come along if you are able to. These meetings are always so encouraging... and often fun!

PRAYER WALK

Sunday 24th – Meet at Craydon Road triangle at 4.15pm, to walk around this month's prayer area.

INTERCESSORY PRAYER MEETING

Wednesday 27th at 4pm on SFC Premises.

TODDLERS

Every Wednesday & Friday from 9.30-11.30am.

WEDNESDAY FELLOWSHIP

Each week from 2.30-4pm.

MONTHLY PRAYER LIST – JULY

Around the Fellowship:

Valerie Matthews, Joan Mills, Ted & Pat Morse, John & Amanda Murray & family, Bethany & Rob Head, Margaret Nash

Around the Neighbourhood:

Sturminster Road (top), Robinson House, Dutton Road, Dutton Walk, Dutton Close, Whittock Road, Whittock Square, Woodlands Academy & Children's Centre