

Pray this month especially for:

Around the Fellowship:

Alan & Christine Cowley, Bernard & Christine Crabbe, Barbara Dore, Ian & Carol Ferris & family, Brian Greenroyd & Hazel, Andrew & Tina Hounsom

Around Stockwood:

Hollway Road and shops, Hollway Close, Selden Road, Harden Road, Eaton Close, Materman Road, Goslett Road, Woolley Road, Battson Road, Bluebell Gardens, Haberfield House, Waycroft Academy, Medical Centre, Dentist

Prayer Walk – 6.30pm on **Sunday 8th**

Meet at Dave & Barbara's home, 11 Maple Close, to walk around this area

Intercessory Prayer Meeting – 7.30pm on **11th** at Carol & Lance's home

Lance's Labours

- Some more "Talking Jesus"
- Easter week preparations
- Following up on a large number of possible projects

Where is Lance?

Carol and Lance should be around all month again. Lance wonders if you all have all got his new mobile number – **0730 6541959**

Please note that Lance is slowly moving his work e-mail address over to **lance.c.mason@gmail.com**

Dates for your Diary:

Next Newsletter Deadline

25th March (If you'd like a copy sent direct by email, please speak to Sam or email samantha.powell7@gmail.com)

Easter

Good Friday Breakfast & Walk (10th April)

Bethany & Rob's Wedding – Saturday 13th June

We'd be delighted if our friends at Stockwood Free Church would join us in celebrating our special day. The service will start at 2pm and will be followed by a light afternoon tea. Please RSVP (**07505 082965**) by 1st May for catering purposes [Bethany & Rob]

Stockwood Free Church Newsletter March 2020

"I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing"

John 15:5

We meet every Sunday morning at 10.45am

(Prayer from 10.15am)

With Youth Church, Adventurers, Crèche, Refreshments. Communion is generally held on the first Sunday of the month



LENT

WEEKLY PROGRAMME

During March we will enjoy a short series on Paul's letter to **Titus** – never before done at SFC? - followed by a few services as we lead up to Easter

SUNDAY:

- 1st Lance : Ch1 – The leader (includes Communion)
5.30pm – Games Evening
- 8th Ted : Ch2 – The believer within the local church
6.30pm – Prayer Walk
- 15th Pete Kelly : Ch3 – The believer within the local community
- 22nd Lance – Mothering Sunday
6.30pm – Film Night (God's not Dead)
- 29th Travis

MONDAY:

- 11.30am **School Assemblies** – please pray for the team (2nd & 9th)
Lunch Club
- 7.45pm **Fellowship Group** at 70 Ladman Rd
- 8.00pm **Adventurers Leaders Meeting** (2nd)
- 8.00pm **Worship Planning** (9th)

WEDNESDAY:

- 9.30am **Toddlers' Group**
- 2.30pm **Wednesday Fellowship**
- 7.00pm **Puppet Practice** (4th & 18th March & 1st April)
- 7.30pm **Fellowship Group** at 83 Stockwood Rd
- 7.30pm **Intercessory Prayer Meeting** at Carol & Lance's home (11th)
- 7.30pm **Men's Bible Study** at Carol & Lance's home (18th)
- 7.45pm **Leaders Meeting** (4th)

THURSDAY:

- 7.45pm **Fellowship Group** at 20 Stockwood Rd (not 12th)
- 7.30pm **AGM** (12th)

FRIDAY:

- 9.30am **Toddlers' Group**
- 10.15am **Ladies Breakfast/Coffee Morning** at Bluebell Gardens (6th)
- 7.30pm **Gospel Concert** at SFC (20th)

SATURDAY:

- 7.30am **Monthly Bible Meditation** at SFC (7th March & 4th April)
- 10.30am **Repair Café** at SFC (28th) This group is trying to counter our throw-away culture. If you have things that need mending, or you could offer to be a repairer, do come along. It's fun too!
- 8.00pm **G1 Group** at Lance and Carol's home (7th & 21st)

NEWS & EVENTS

Holiday club

Thank you to all of the many people who sacrificed time, talent and energy to help with the highly successful half-term holiday club. Please pray for the long-term follow-up and impact [Lance]

Volunteering

And also, a massive thank you to the many people who have responded to the request to help in and around the church. If you have any time available there is always an opportunity to lend a hand! [Lance]

Lent

A question I often get asked at this time of year is, "Are we doing anything for Lent? I am going to turn it around and ask instead, "What are you going to do for Lent?" So, I will throw out three challenges:

- Commit daily to at least 5 minutes of personal prayer during Lent
- Seriously consider taking just 1 day during Lent to fast (and pray)
- Sacrifice a little of that which is most valuable to all of us – time – and join a home group, go to a prayer meeting, turn up at a Bible meditation, etc, even if you only do it on one occasion

Give up chocolate(!) if you want, but also intentionally do something that will strengthen your relationship with God during Lent this year [Lance]

AGM & Leader Elections – Thursday 12th March

Linda White and Ed Lawrence have both been nominated as Deacons. Everyone is very welcome to attend the meeting, but please note that you can only vote if you are a church member

If you attend/belong to a group, please start thinking about your presentations which need to be in PowerPoint format and sent to Clare no later than **6th March** – please don't leave it until the last minute

Induction of Ian Pope at Totterdown – Saturday 14th March

If anyone wants to come to Ian's induction please let Lance know by **7th March** so that he can give the church an idea of numbers

Roy Jeffrey's funeral – Tuesday 17th March

You are all welcome to join Roy's family on this sad yet full-of-hope occasion

1.30pm : Free Church - Funeral service

3.00pm : South Bristol Crematorium - Committal

4.00pm : Tea for everyone at SFC (approximate timing)

Wisdom House – Bath – Wednesday 25th March

Rob Parsons will talk about some important things that he has learned through the years. Please let Lance or Carol know by **11th March** if you want a ticket