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Notices and News

Sunday 19th February 2012

We welcome you to the Church today as we meet to worship the Lord together. He promises that His presence will be with us and that He will bless us as we raise our hearts and voices in worship and praise to Him.

This morning:

Pastor Stuart leads and Jon Mason speaks at the first in the new '3rd Sunday' series where we will be trying to answer the questions people have about Christianity, faith and the Bible. This week's title is 'Why is the Bible such a big deal to Christians?'
Bible Reading: Psalm 19 Pages 390 & 858
1.00 p.m. Bring & Share Lunch

This evening:

Pastor Stuart leads and speaks at our service at 6.30 p.m. when he concludes the 'If you want to walk on water ...' series with the subject of 'How great is your God?'
Bible Reading: Isaiah 41 Pages 509 & 1121
Communion will be included in the service.
8.00 p.m. T.S.T.

Today's activities for children:

- A crèche for babies and toddlers is available throughout the morning service but will only be staffed from the start of the message. Please ask a steward if you need help.



Refreshments follow both services.



Church flowers this week are given by Rose & Richard Head for Rose's 60th Birthday.

Building Development

- Please pray especially for the important grant applications that have been submitted to various trusts in the last few weeks.

Razzamatuzz Robots Holiday Club

We thank everyone who was involved in any way with the Holiday Club last week. Special thanks to Julia Griggs and Wendy Mason who were responsible for the overall organisation and running of the Holiday Club each morning during the week.

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Coming up this week:

<u>Monday</u>	6.30 p.m.	Girls' Brigade - Juniors and Explorers
	7.30 p.m.	Girls' Brigade - Seniors & Brigaders
<u>Tuesday</u>	9.30 a.m.	Tuesday Tots
	7.45 p.m.	Prayer Meeting
<u>Wednesday</u>	3.00 p.m.	ASK at Whitton Primary School
	7.30 p.m.	Building Team Meeting
<u>Thursday</u>	3.00 p.m.	Women's Fellowship – Speaker: Brian Hammond
<u>Friday</u>	6.00 p.m.	Friday Club
<u>Next Sunday</u>	10.30 a.m.	Morning Service led by Pastor Stuart who will continue the 'Family Matters' series looking at 'Squabbling Siblings'.
	6.00 p.m.	Evening Service led by Pastor Stuart who will begin a new series looking at The 'Tabernacle'.



Praise & Prayer



Our Church Family:

- **Members for prayer:** Christopher Frost and Ernie Goddard
- **Those who are unwell:** Richard Head, Brian Rowland, Barbara Haskins, John Hopes, Jean Haslam, Roger Wosahlo, Martha McCoy, Caelwyn Stevens, Lola Cameron and Kaylen, age 5, who is recovering from surgery.
- **Ministry:** Once a month all ladies are invited to our Evening Group and we give thanks for the enjoyment and relaxation of these gatherings. Please pray for Sue Cobbold and her team as they organise the varied programmes. If you've never been taste and see for yourself!
- **Other Matters for Prayer** – Peter Harvey and the family of Diane Harvey. Sadly, Diane passed away suddenly last Wednesday evening.

Our Community: We focus on the two Closes of Limecroft and Lincoln this week and remember the folk who live there.

Do you ever stop and give thanks for this very pleasant area in which we live? We are within walking distance of the countryside and if one needs transport there are plenty of buses to take us quickly to parks, shops, amenities and the seaside. How blessed we are! So let us thank the Lord for placing us here, and at the same time pray for those who make it and keep it an enjoyable place to be. Think of the Parks Department employees and the tiny patches they keep immaculate as well as open spaces. Also those maintaining the roads and collecting our rubbish and be grateful for drivers of buses and taxis. In this area 'count your many blessings

Our County, Country and World:

- Our Association prayer this week is for churches without a pastor. Please pray that God will provide men of His choosing to serve these churches as we recognise the value to a church of having a full or part-time pastor. Pray also that the Lord will call out men who will be willing to accept His call to make themselves available to train for the ministry. Pray that the necessary funding will be provided for training and supporting men called to serve the Lord.
- Pray for our Government that they will be given the wisdom to make the right decisions for our country during an extremely difficult time financially and economically.
- Pray for peace in the world, especially in Syria during this time of serious unrest.

Other News and Information

- On 1st March 2012 at 7.30 p.m. at the Apex Theatre, Bury St Edmunds, Victor Jack will be hosting a **concert with Stuart Townend**. The evening will be a mixture of worship, performance and chat about his songs and will be suitable for anybody. Tickets will be sold in aid of a relatively new, but fast growing charity, 'Aid to Hospitals Worldwide', that recycles medical equipment for the developing world. Please see the noticeboard at the back of the church or their web site www.a2hw.org.uk for more details.
- **Rural Ministries** is 50 years old this year and during that time God has been fulfilling His vision for the rural areas of this land. His work goes on, excitingly, so please get a taste by taking and reading one of the 'Impact' magazines (Spring issue), now in the rack at the back of the Church. We can get more.