

THE WEEK TO COME

Today Sunday 29th April

- 9.45am Meetings for toddlers, children & teenagers
11.00am **Sunday Worship** with Colin & Nicola.
Pastoral Care Council Meeting **CANCELLED**
5.00pm **Cream Tea & Adult Safeguarding** – see inside

Monday 30th April

- 6.00pm Rainbows
8.00pm **Come And Meet Each Other Craft Group**
– making jewellery with Heather Campbell

Tuesday 1st May

- 9.30am Parent & Toddlers
10.00am Cell Group at the Hall with Pat & Arnold Tilling
6.45pm Young People's Band Practice
8.00pm Senior Band Practice

Wednesday 2nd May

- 9.30am Baby Song
3.30, 5.30 & 7.30pm Slimming World
7.45pm Cell Group at the Hall with Gerry & Malcolm
8.00pm Cell Group with Linda & Kelvin

Thursday 3rd May

- 9.45am Committal of Maureen Bowen at Westerleigh
10.30am "Meet & Greet"
11.00am Service of Thanksgiving for Maureen Bowen at the Hall
12.30pm Lunch Club
2.00pm Friendship Club
6.45pm Singing Company Practice
8.00pm Songster Practice (Senior Choir)

Friday 4th May

- 9.30 & 11.30am Slimming World
6.00pm Friday Club

Saturday 5th May

- 10am-12pm Coffee Morning

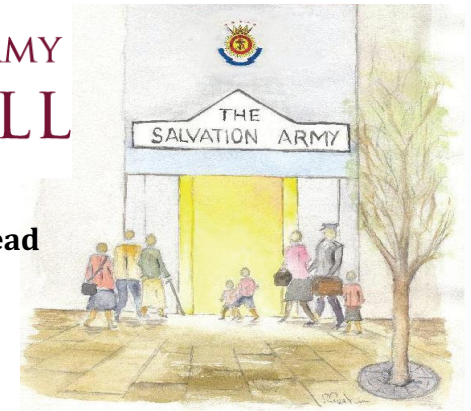
Sunday 6th May

- 9.45am Meetings for toddlers, children & teenagers
11.00am **Sunday Worship** with Colin & Nicola.
5.00pm Bank Holiday Sunday – **NO** Café One



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The Weekly Bulletin for Sunday 29th April 2018

What does it mean to truly pray? I recently read the following:

"It means speaking the words within your heart to God, and communing with God having grasped His will and based upon His words; it means feeling particularly close to God, feeling that He is in front of you, and that you have something to say to Him; and it means being especially



radiant within your heart, and feeling that God is especially lovely. You will feel especially inspired, and after hearing your words your brothers and sisters will feel gratified, they will feel that the words you speak are the words within their hearts, the words they wish to say, and that what you say represents what they want to say. This is what it means to truly pray".

This paragraph of words helps our understanding: A true prayer means speaking our heartfelt words to God and opening our hearts to commune with Him about our difficulties, things that we face, and the questions we don't understand. Through praying to God and drawing close to Him, we understand His will and find the ways of practice. With prayers such as this, we can be clear-minded and enlightened under the guidance of God, so that we can see the true nature of problems more thoroughly. In the meantime, we can feel that God is right by our side; our hearts will feel particularly close to Him and our relationship with Him gradually gets closer. If we always pray to God in this way, our prayers will be after His heart and surely be answered.

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TODAYS BULLETIN:

Adult Safeguarding Event & Cream Tea Sunday 29th April 5pm - 6pm

At the Staple Hill Salvation Army, we are committed to giving a warm welcome to anyone who comes into our building or is involved in our activities. We must all ensure that everyone is safe, from the youngest to the oldest. We need to know how to prevent and respond to abuse in a loving Christian way. The Salvation Army has produced a video session to cover these topics that is designed for all members of a congregation to participate in. We will be presenting this today at 5pm alongside a traditional cream tea! It would be great to see as many of you as possible, but anyone who is a leader or holds a commission needs to attend. So if you're unable to be there, we will be catching up with you at another time very soon!

PAGE PARK BULLETIN: Reaching Out to share Jesus

Sunday 13th May will be our first *'Second Sunday Special'* in Page Park. We are excited to be back in the park - it's our chance once again to show & tell God's love for everyone. Colin has the first two planned already!

We can all be practically involved & be ready for whatever opportunity presents itself. We liked the way our days in the park evolved last year, so we thought we'd do it the same way this year.

2pm: Loading Party at the Hall. 2.30pm: Everyone meet at Page Park to help set up – get the chairs & deckchairs, set up the Gazebo & children's activities. The Band will start to play in the Bandstand at 3pm to attract people to what we're doing. And of course, you'll already all be there to welcome & chat to them. Please don't all dash off straight afterwards, then we'll be able to chat to our visitors & help pack & put everything away.

CATERING BULLETIN:

We need someone to do Coffee Morning on Saturday 12th May – if you can help in any way, please see Mary White

Mary has acquired a collection of containers from recent events at the Hall. If you want yours back, please see Mary else we'll assume you don't want them!

CORPS TREASURERS BULLETIN:

This year's **Candidates Sunday** will be on 13th May. A retiring collection will be held after the morning service. We have supported this special date in the past but seem to have missed the opportunity to prepare in advance for the collection. Please help the candidates for Salvation Army Officership in their commitment to God as they start their training. Thank you. Gary

FELLOWSHIP BULLETIN:

The Funeral Service for Maureen Bowen will take place on Thursday 3rd May; 9.45am Committal at Westerleigh followed at 11.00am by a Service of Thanksgiving at the Hall. Continue to remember Ed in your prayers.

Prayers for: Mavis Stone, Harry & Rita Brooksbank, Mark & Hayley Carter

PRAYER BULLETIN: staplehillprayers@gmail.com



A global wave of prayer 10th - 20th May

11 Prayer Topics:

Jesus, Praise, Thanks, Sorry, Offer, Pray For, Help, Adore, Celebrate, Silence, Thy Kingdom Come.

Pray as an individual. Pray as a family. Pray as a Church.

Over the next few weeks, we will be exploring prayer; what it means, how to do it and how we can continue to improve, exploring the following bible texts:

Sunday 29th April *'How to Pray'* (Luke 11:5-13)

Sunday 6th May *'Praying for Others'* (Luke 18:15-17 & 1 Timothy 2:1-8)

Sunday 13th May *'Does God answer Prayer?'* (Matthew 7:7-12 & Psalm 42)

Sunday 20th May *'A Prayer Helper'* (Romans 8:26-28)

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, which art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy Name.
Thy Kingdom come.
Thy will be done in earth,
As it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
As we forgive them that trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
The power, and the glory,
For ever and ever.
Amen.



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THY KINGDOM COME

A Musical Celebration

SATURDAY 19TH MAY 2018

7PM

**STAPLE HILL BAND AND
STAPLE HILL SONGSTERS
OF THE SALVATION ARMY**

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Everyone will receive a booklet to use during the 11 days. There will also be an activity bag to use alongside or instead of the booklet, available at the Hall from Linda James. *"Thy Kingdom Come"* – what better prayer could there be?