



Staple Hill

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Into the Fire

During Major Paul's sermon last week, he referred briefly to the story of Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego as recorded in [Daniel chapter 3](#). It is a story that always brings back memories for me as it was the title of a vocal solo that I found during my university days for my brother to sing when he was at Bristol Easton corps (if anyone has a recording of him singing it, I would love to hear it!). It is a story about three Israelites who were being persecuted for their faith by King Nebuchadnezzar, and how they were thrown into a fiery furnace when they refused to bow down in worship of an idol. However, instead of being burnt alive in the tremendous heat, God sent an angel to protect them. It is a great story!

However, my thoughts quickly went on a tangent to the heat-wave that we are currently 'enjoying'. At the time of writing this, it was being predicted that we may see the hottest temperatures ever recorded in the UK during the next few days. Just being outside for a few minutes could cause our skin to burn and our bodies to dehydrate. We need protection.

Just as God sent an angel to protect Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego from the heat – we need to trust in God to help us through our daily lives. If we were to have absolute faith in God as these 3 Israelites had, then there would be nothing that could not be achieved! *Paul Heath*

PEOPLE:

- We continue to think of Olive, who is currently in Little Heath rehabilitation & support unit where she is making good progress on her recovery (Some people thought she was back home, my apologies for not making that clear last week [*Ed.*]). I am sure we will want to continue to support all our friends in prayer who are currently unwell or undergoing treatment, recovering, grieving or struggling in any way.
- Before the pandemic, Colin started a tradition (just the once) of celebrating all the special birthdays and anniversaries on the last Sunday before the summer holidays. We are going to do that again next week – so be prepared!

FLOWERS:

The flowers today are provided by Janet Banfield in memory of David.

There are still dates available if you would like to place flowers on the holiness table – it does not need to be for a special occasion. Dates currently available are:

- July 31st
- August 7th, 14th and 28th
- October 30th

Please speak to Viv for more details or if you would like to help.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH:

Today is the last Children's Church before the summer break. We will resume on 11th September.

BIG COLLECTION 2022:

Our recently held Big Collection 2022 has raised **£3,014.97**.

This (along with previously raised funds) brings our current total to **£3,574.11**. We are now over our halfway target of £6,000.00

Thank you for your support.



**If only we had a royal box at
the Jubilee Concert ...**

COFFEE MORNING:

We will be holding another one of our hugely successful coffee mornings next Saturday, hosted by Lillian. Any support you can give would be greatly appreciated.



JOIN US!
**SUMMER
FAMILY
CRAFTS**

**17TH
JULY**

4PM

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

31st July – 5th August	Severn & Somerset Junior Camp
6th – 12th August	Severn & Somerset Summer Camp
Sunday 4th September	Page Park Praise (TBC)
24th – 25th September	Harvest Weekend
Sunday 16th October	Divisional Welcome to Divisional Leaders in our hall (at 4pm)
Saturday 12th November	Kenya Trust Concert
Sunday 13th November	Remembrance Sunday



**Corps BBQ after the meeting
next Sunday - everyone
welcome**

THE WEEK AHEAD:

Sunday 17th July:

- 10am All Age Worship
'Joseph the Dreamer' [Genesis 37 v 1-11](#)
11.30am-12:15pm Children & Youth Activities
4pm-5:30pm Summer Family Crafts

Tuesday 19th July:

- 11am Extra Slice Group at the hall with Kelvin
6:30pm-7:10pm YP Band Practice
7:20pm-8pm Singing Company Practice
8pm Songster Practice

Wednesday 20th July:

- 3.30pm Online Extra Slice group with Gerry
7.45pm Extra Slice Group at Linda's
8.15pm Online Extra Slice Group with Beth

Thursday 21st July:

- 12.30pm Lunch Club
7pm Staple Hill Partnership Meeting
7.45pm Extra Slice Group at Colin & Nicola's
8.15pm Online Extra Slice Group with Rachel & Ian

Saturday 23rd July:

- 10am to 12 noon Coffee Morning

Sunday 24th July:

- 10am All Age Worship
11.30am-12:15pm Youth Activities
Lunchtime Corps BBQ