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Welcome to Stoke Green Baptist Church

'The Church on The Green'

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Notice sheet for week commencing Sunday 9th December 2018

A very warm welcome to our Service this morning.
If you're visiting or if it's your first time here, we do hope that you will enjoy your time with us as we gather together for worship.

What's Happening Today

Our minister Iain will be leading this morning's service which includes Communion.

After a time of all age worship there will be an opportunity for our younger folk including any visitors to go out to their own groups.

Crèche for children under 3 years old

Bubbles for children over 3 up to Year 1

XSTREAM & Splash! for School Years 2 to 5

 for school Year 6 and above

Preparing For Christmas In A Broken Family

Matthew Chapter 1



Verse for the Week

The Lord is close to the broken-hearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit.

Psalm 34 v18



The flowers today have been given by Jeanette.

Please do join us in the Loaves and Fishes area in the halls complex behind the church for light refreshments and a chat after the service.

Prayer and Healing Team

If you have an illness, or other problem and would like to talk to somebody, we have people who would be happy to have a chat and perhaps pray with you. If you'd like to do this, please speak to Roly or one of our stewards after the service.



I think your lights might be too bright this year dear...we've got visitors!



For best results please sit in the rear half of the church and set your aid to T

Sermon Catch Up

You can stream or download past sermons using the links from our website. www.stokegreenbaptist.org.uk

What's Happening This Week at SG

Please pray for the following activities and meetings taking place during this week.

Mon 10th	Open the Book team into Hillside and Halifax Deacons Meeting	19:45
Tues 11th	Welcome Break - Social group for the over 50's Lunch Break - Open to all for a Lite Bite or a full midday meal	10:00-11:30 11:30-13:00
Wed 12th	Ladies Keep-fit Iain's day off	09:30
Thur 13th	Peartree Kindergarten visit Prayer Meeting in the L&F's – All welcome	09:30-10:15 20:00
Fri 14th	Christmas Experience (Hillside) Singers Practice – Looking at music for CandleLight Service Youth Club – last until 11 th Jan '19	19:45 19:30
Sat 15th	No meetings today	10:00
Sun 16th	Family Service led by Iain	10:30

Details of other activities, future events, things of interest, and events further afield are posted on the main notice board by the door in the L&Fs.

Deacons Election

The annual election of Deacons will take place at the Church AGM on 31st January 2019. There are three vacancies. The Deacons retiring by rotation after three years' service are Sandy Battiste, Paul Carpenter and Steve Kirby, all being eligible for re-election. Nominations, proposed and seconded, should have the consent of the nominee and be handed to Michael Clark, Church Secretary by Sunday 16th December, from whom nomination forms can be obtained.

Christmas Card Reminder

The pigeon holes in the L&F's are available for sending and receiving your cards as usual. Remember to check your pigeon hole regularly for cards that have been sent to you. **Sorry, but we're unable to undertake delivery of cards to folk who are unable to collect them in person.**



*Do something wonderful on your birthday.
Share the gift of life.*

Birthday greetings to Robin Goodson who celebrates his birthday this week. If you'd like to know more about the BMS birthday scheme please speak to Joyce.

Pat Day's Funeral Arrangements

There will be a service of thanksgiving on Thurs 3rd Jan 2019 at 10.30am at Stoke Green, followed by committal at Ipswich Crematorium at 11.45am.

Church Walk – Date For Your Diary

The next church walk will be on **Sat 12th Jan '19**. Details to follow.

Christmas Services

Sun 16th	Family Service 10:30
Sun 23rd	Morning worship 10:30 Carols by candlelight 4:30
Christmas Day	Service at 10:30 (45mins)



Next Week's Notice Sheet: Please let me have any items for next Sunday's notice sheet by Thursday. Many thanks, **Steve**.