

Sunday
Feb 19
2012

Welcome to Stanley Road Baptist Church
Worshipping God – Preparing believers – Serving others

We hope you enjoy being with us this morning. All the songs will be on the screen. Sit or stand as you wish. There will be a collection if you want to give.

Today

10.30am **Colin Taylor, Ephesians 3: 1-20**

'The church is...how God is revealing His mystery'

SPACE: for ages 3-14, also unstaffed crèche, in hall

Tea and coffee served afterwards

6.30pm Sunday Night Project: Darts at Cumberland View

Monday

10am-12pm Friendship group: a drink and a meal

Wednesday

9.30-11.30am Toddler group

Friday

10.30-11.30am Prayer and Praise – Steven Hewitt

From 5pm Boys' Brigade (ages 5-19)

Next Sunday

10.30am **Steven Hewitt, Ephesians 4: 1-16**

'The church is...one group, many gifts, all growing'

* If you have started coming to SRBC in the last six months, welcome! Please fill in a Visitors card.

* The church AGM is on Saturday, March 3 at 10am.

Nominations for diaconate need to be in by 8pm TODAY.

* We remember those in need of prayer, including Margaret Holmes, Ted and Chris Berry, Joyce and John Smith, Betty Smith, Edna Henson, Janey Gracey, Mary Pallister, Lynne Williams, Brenda Butler, Daniel Scholes and family.

* **First Thursday** is back! March 1 at 7pm at 3 Longlands Lane. Heysham. For all Ladies of any age to get together to see if an evening, daytime meeting, or even both, as we look to restart First Thursday. Lorraine and Sue would value your input and ideas. Come on March 1 or speak to Lorraine, Sue or Rebecca. Looking forward to seeing you all, Lorraine McCullough (07729311399) and Sue Parker (01524 855618).

* **Morecambe Prayer Walk** on Sat, Feb 25, starting from Happy Mount Park at 9am. More details on the noticeboard.

Word for the week – Ephesians 3 (NIV)

¹ For this reason I, Paul, the prisoner of Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles - ² Surely you have heard about the administration of God's grace that was given to me for you, ³ that is, the mystery made known to me by revelation, as I have already written briefly. ⁴ In reading this, then, you will be able to understand my insight into the mystery of Christ, ⁵ which was not made known to men in other generations as it has now been revealed by the Spirit to God's holy apostles and prophets. ⁶ This mystery is that through the gospel the Gentiles are heirs together with Israel, members together of one body, and sharers together in the promise in Christ Jesus.

⁷ I became a servant of this gospel by the gift of God's grace given me through the working of his power. ⁸ Although I am less than the least of all God's people, this grace was given me: to preach to the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ, ⁹ and to make plain to everyone the administration of this mystery, which for ages past was kept hidden in God, who created all things. ¹⁰ His intent was that now, through the church, the manifold wisdom of God should be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly realms, ¹¹ according to his eternal purpose which he accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord. ¹² In him and through faith in him we may approach God with freedom and confidence. ¹³ I ask you, therefore, not to be discouraged because of my sufferings for you, which are your glory.

¹⁴ For this reason I kneel before the Father, ¹⁵ from whom his whole family in heaven and on earth derives its name. ¹⁶ I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, ¹⁷ so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, ¹⁸ may have power, together with all the saints, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, ¹⁹ and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.

²⁰ Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, ²¹ to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

* Newsheet items should be given to **Pauline Elder** or sent to **bulletin@stanleyroad.org.uk** by **10am Thursday**.

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