

# Welcome<sup>2</sup> St Alphege, Seasalter at Seasalter Christian Centre

Your name(s)

Children's names and dates of birth

Address

Postcode

Telephone

Email

Today's date



St Alphege, Seasalter

Tear from this leaflet and pass to a member of the Welcome Team Thank you



Name of Welcomer:

## Prayer at the Heart



Linda Shrubb (and family) on the death of her husband Eric. June (following a stroke). Angela. Terry Chapman, being treated for prostate cancer. Tess Canavan.

David Harwood, to continue to make good progress after his hip replacement.

Dennis Spinner and family.

Andrea Harte.

During May we will be praying for those living in Caroline Close, Nightingale Avenue and Jayne Walk.

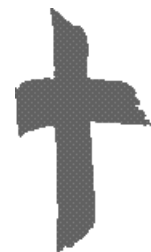
**Prayer Needs:** (Immediate needs – 2-4 weeks, long term needs – 3 months.)

Please contact: Joan Moss 275522 or j.moss370@btinternet; Rev. Ann Moreton 277140;

Carol Judge 277752; David and Lynda Kemp 272470, or Rev. Steve Coneys 276795.



St Alphege, Seasalter ~ making disciples of Christ, growing the church of God



## Welcome to St Alphege, Seasalter Sunday 30 April 2017

3rd of Easter

Today's Readings: Acts 2.14a and 36 - 41; Luke 24.13 - 35

### A letter from Steve and Vicky Coneys announcing their move away from Seasalter

*Dear brothers and sisters*

At the beginning of September, I will be leaving our church here at Seasalter to take up a new post for our diocese.

If you missed the news on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup>, I am sorry – I would have liked to tell everyone personally, but that just isn't possible.

The new role is that of the diocesan Missioner – which rejoices under the full title of Canterbury Diocesan Local Mission and Growth Advisor. So that will involve working alongside churches across the diocese, encouraging them to be outward looking and to go for growth.

In due course I will share at church how this has come about. Suffice to say for now that, while the new role is exciting, my overwhelming feeling right now is of deep sadness at leaving such a wonderful church, and all of you, whom I love. I shall not be able to find the words to say what a privilege it has been to be with all of you here over the past 23 years.

At the same time, you have a wonderfully exciting future here in so many ways. For this, and for the journey Vicky and I have shared with so many of you for so long, we are deeply grateful. Though this is a sad moment for us personally, we trust that, in time, gratitude to God and excitement for the future will be the dominant note for us all.

*Yours in the love of Christ*

*Steve*

Vicar of Seasalter and Team Rector of Whitstable

Editor: Paula Dean, email: deaneves@msn.com Deadline is Midnight Tuesday

You are invited to  
**The Christian Aid Opening Service**  
**Seasalter Christian Centre**  
**Sunday 14 May 6.00 pm**



If you are imaginative and would like to be part of Christian Aid planning in Whitstable please contact Keith McNicol  
[keithmcnicol2@gmail.com](mailto:keithmcnicol2@gmail.com)

### **Holy Communion on Ascension Day**

**Thursday 25 May 2017, 7.30 pm. St Peter's, Whitstable**

*Come to celebrate one of the great days in the Christian Year*  
Singers are invited to join the combined Whitstable Team Choir



### **Confirmation 2017**

The Deanery Confirmation is in Herne Bay on Saturday 20 May 6 pm, St Bartholomew, Herne Bay. Let Steve or Fabian know if you would like to be Confirmed.

### **The Archdeacon's Visitation**

Thursday 18 May, 7.30 pm

Canterbury Cathedral

Come and support your Churchwardens and DCC members as they are admitted to their office/commissioned by the new Archdeacon of Canterbury, **Jo-Kelly Moore**.

## **Jelly Beanz!**

Did you know from now on our Tuesday Baby and Toddler Group will be known as 'Jelly Beanz' ?



Did you know that every Tuesday between 1 and 2.30pm the hall is filled with a baby area, a climbing frame, ride on cars, a play kitchen, play doh, dressing up, construction toys, a craft table, a train set, cars, garages, dinosaurs, dolls and pushchairs.....

Ever wondered what happened when 'The Tiger came to Tea' or what happened to the Gruffalo? (we read stories too!) or what happened to the 'Five Men on a Flying Saucer' or how to 'Wind a bobbin up?' (and sing!)

Did you know that each week we have an average attendance of 50 ?

Did you know that each week we always pray?

Our ministry here is thriving and God seems to be doing something really special here!

Can you pray for us please?

Would you like to come and be part of this amazing ministry ?

Jane, Carol and Annette



Whitstable's premier community choir

# Oyster Singers Spring Concert

## Sunday 14 May 2017 at 3pm

Led by Victoria Rowcroft and accompanied by Adrian Bawtree, organist at Canterbury Cathedral, with guest soloist musicians.  
The programme includes world music, gospel, traditional and The Lion King.  
Concert proceeds go to Demelza Children's Hospice.

### Colyer-Fergusson Hall

(Adjacent to the Gulbenkian Theatre and Cinema)  
University of Kent, Canterbury, CT2 7NZ

Tickets £8, students and under 18s £5

Available from The Gulbenkian, 01227 769075 [www.thegulbenkian.co.uk](http://www.thegulbenkian.co.uk)

For further information contact Gillian on 01227 657297

[www.oystersingers.webeden.co.uk](http://www.oystersingers.webeden.co.uk)



Photo: Molly Holman, University of Kent



Thank you for returning your "Restore and Renew" response forms. I am currently awaiting the details of a new bank account for this fund, so if you have requested standing order details please bear with me. I will send out the standing order forms as soon as I am able. Thank you. Ceri Charilaou Stewardship Secretary.

### Watoto Children's Choir

Saturday 13 May at 5.00 pm at St Martin's church, Herne

Every child in the choir has suffered the loss of one or both parents and now lives in a Watoto village, somewhere in Africa. Contact Sarah Bingham 07931 380 184 if you want more information.

The concert last about 90 minutes and is followed by refreshments.

### Raising Funds for Abbot House Nursery by Recycling



Bring your old mobile phones to Becky Whittaker at Seasalter Christian Centre!



### Value G – Giving generously

Giving generously is one of the values which moulds our life together at St Alphege, Seasalter. In recent years we have raised and given away £90,000 to charities, locally, nationally and internationally, through the Closer To Home project. And each year we give away an amount equal to at least 10% of our normal income.

We also encourage individuals and families to give generously to the church's work. The biblical guideline is the tithe, 10% of income, but Jesus never mentioned a percentage, because it's the heart that counts.

If you would like to know more about regular giving through banker's order or weekly envelopes, or about Gift Aid, please talk to Ceri Charilaou, the Stewardship Secretary (tel: 274650 or email: [cericharilaou@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:cericharilaou@hotmail.co.uk))





**Sainsbury Active Kids Vouchers**  
2017 vouchers are now being given away with your shopping. Please collect them for Abbot House Nursery.

## The Thank You Box

*Let gratitude out of the box! Let thankfulness reign!*

### Step One

Practice the grace of gratitude by taking a notelet or card from the box on the office door at the Christian centre, and writing a personal note saying 'thank you' for any member of your church family.



### Step Two

Give it to them yourself!

[Step 2a Man up guys, you need to say thank you too!]

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May**  
**A night of Warm Worship & Healing with Int'l Healing Evangelist David Hathaway**  
From 7.00 to 9.30pm  
propheticvision.org.uk

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK**  
David Hathaway and a ministry team will be praying for the sick, please bring all your family & friends who may benefit from this. David has seen thousands healed by JESUS CHRIST from various diseases including cancer & terminal illnesses

Immediately after this there will be a time of prayer & ministry for all those with a heart for outreach & evangelistic ministry

Also featuring LEADERS MEETING 10am - 2pm (contact us for details)

**VENUE: SEASALTER CHRISTIAN CENTRE**  
49 Faversham Rd, Whitstable CT5 4AX

Contact: Robin Jegede-Brimson 0787 202 4364 [www.servantministries.co.uk](http://www.servantministries.co.uk) email: [GodsOrder@aol.com](mailto:GodsOrder@aol.com)

This event is sponsored by Robin Jegede-Brimson's Servant Ministries, and is hosted by Seasalter Christian Centre, rather than endorsed either by St Alphege, Seasalter or Churches Together in Whitstable.

## Drum teacher needed ....

There are 2 people in the church family who are keen to learn percussion drums (not full drum kit). If anyone can help with this please let Dan Ralph in the Church office know.  
Thanks!

## WANTED

Rocking chair for great-gran-to-be. Please phone Audrey if you can help on 01227 273568

## When's your day off?...

Steve ..... Thursdays  
Jane and Fabian ..... Fridays  
Georgina ..... Tuesdays

**Weighed down by debt?**  
Visit our **CAP DROP-IN**

**Come to an informal drop-in service where you can talk about your debt with a CAP representative**

**Friday mornings 10.30-12 midday**  
**28th April - 30th June 2017**

**Just call in - no appointment needed**  
**The Harbour Church, Harbour Street, Whitstable**  
**Contact: 07519858951**

*You can also ring our national debt help line on: 0800 328 0006*

**Christians against poverty**

## What's on during the week ...

At the **Old Church** at 9.15 am, Morning Prayer on Tuesday and Friday, Holy Communion on Wednesday. Sunday Services at the Old Church are held on the 1st Sunday of the month at 11.15 am (BCP Holy Communion).

**Team Evening Prayer** - at St John's during May.

**Open Door** Thursdays from 10.00 am to 11.45 am at SCC.

**Social Games Afternoon** Friday 2 - 4 pm at SCC. If you have a favourite board or card game please bring it along. Refreshments available.

**Prayerpoint** on Fridays - join us for intercessory prayer, 6 pm - 7pm at SCC. *When prayer is at the heart we see God moving. All welcome, please come ...*

**Silent Prayer of the Heart** on Fridays at 8 pm for 30 minutes

Next week's services: 0845 Holy Communion, 1010 Lighthouse Holy Communion and 1100 All-age Holy Communion Next week's readings: Acts 2.42 - end;; John 10.1 - 10