

Welcome² St Alphege, Seasalter at Seasalter Christian Centre

Your name(s)

Children's names and dates of birth

Address

Postcode

Telephone

Email

Today's date

Service attended	
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11.00	
11.15	



St Alphege, Seasalter

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

Name of Welcomer:

What's on during the week ...

Morning Prayer - in the chapel at SCC, Tuesdays and Fridays at 9.15 am.

Holy Communion - Wednesdays at 9.15 am at SCC.

Team Evening Prayer - at St. Alphege town church during January.

Open Door Thursdays from 10.00 am to 11.30 am at SCC.

Prayers Sunday 7 - 8 am (followed by toast and coffee); Wednesday 6 - 7 am

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.

While the Old Church is closed the Book of Common Prayer Communion service on the first Sunday of the month will be held in the Christian Centre at 3pm.

Next week's services: 0845 Holy Communion, 1010 Lighthouse, 1100 All-age Holy Communion. Readings: Isaiah 61: 1-9; Luke 4:14-21



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Welcome to St Alphege, Seasalter Sunday 20 January 2019 Epiphany 3

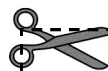
Today's readings: 2 Corinthians 1: 1-7; Luke 24: 13-35

alongside⁺

We begin a new sermon series today: 'Alongside'.

Over the next few weeks we will be exploring our primary calling as individuals and as Church, rooted in the servant hearted love Jesus modelled for his disciples. Jesus, who came alongside humanity to rescue and transform.

We'll be working out what it means to love God and to love each other well and to turn that love outwards - to recognise and respond to Jesus' coming alongside us, by coming alongside one another and alongside those in our community and wherever we are planted in the strength of the Holy Spirit. That way we all flourish and grow.



Our Values

All involved
Bearing witness
Creating community
Deepening discipleship
Encountering God
Finding friendship: fun and food
Giving generously

Everyone playing their part
Telling the Christian story
Loving and belonging
Following Jesus, becoming like him
Experiencing his presence
Laughing and sharing
Giving with gladness



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[Please take these notices home with you to read at your leisure]

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

Gift Days

I'm delighted to announce the results of the Gift Day held back in October for the Youth Ministry and for the ongoing refurbishment project at the Old Church. Through God's generous provision and the great generosity of the church family reflecting that, in pledges and in gifts, the following totals were raised:

Youth ministry:	£19,226
Old Church Refurbishment	£15,496

As we address the ongoing financial issues we have (along with most other churches, it seems), the DCC are working over the first part of this year to find helpful ways to communicate about this process to the whole church family, so that we can work through the challenges as a body.

Thank you so much for your willingness to give so abundantly. Please continue to pray in faith as we lean on God for his guidance and provision and as we begin the whole-church work of seeking vision this year - we have seen God do amazing things when we do this!

Paulette

Reminder: The next Third Age event is Singing for Fun and Wellbeing which will be on Wednesday 6 February at 2.30 pm.

**Do you want to know more about contemplative prayer?
Are you interested in allowing silence to bring you closer to God?
Have you heard of Christian
meditation but don't know what it is?**

We will be running an "Introduction to Contemplative Prayer" course in Lent, starting in the first week of March. More details to follow.

Contact Mark Fagg (mark.fagg@me.com) if you would like more information.



Prayer at the Heart



Immediate needs

Tess, in K&C hospital. Diana, David Glanville's wife, who will be having a cataract operation in hospital on 31 January. Annette and her family on the death (from cancer) of her niece Janine. Gill, battling one of her winter lung infections. Jane, Vince and Gill's eldest, who is having a breast lump removed (benign at the moment). Joan Moss. Cyril (Carol Crocombe's brother-in-law). Janine (Frances Crocker's daughter) recovering at home following an operation. Bunny Baynton-Power. Sheila Pearce, following a fall has damaged her leg and shoulders.. Ann Moreton. Peter and Bev Gilmour - it appears that Pete's cancer has spread. During January we will be praying for those in Sherwood Drive, Sunset Close and Sheppey View.

Long term needs

Pat Andreae, for full restoration of movement in her upper arm after shoulder replacement surgery. Marian's granddaughters, Laila and Martha, both very poorly with Cystic Fibrosis. Dennis Spinner, please pray for him to get strong and stay free from illness. Eileen. Diane (Beryl Davies' daughter). Hannah Evans' father-in-law, Roger, diagnosed with heart failure.

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

Please contact: Joan Moss 275522 or j.moss370@btinternet.com;
Carol Judge 277752; or David and Lynda Kemp 272470

Boxing Day Lunch

A big thank you to all who contributed to the Boxing Day Lunch for those who would otherwise be on their own over Christmas. We entertained nearly 50 guests at SCC, supported by individuals from all the Whitstable team churches. Chris and Ann Skingley.

You can receive these Notices before Sunday (and in colour!) if you request the email version! If you would like to be added to the mailing list, let me know on deaneves@msn.com. Paula

A Prayer for this season

Sending God,
you show us how to listen
and empower us to love.
May we take risks, finding your grace
in unexpected places,
as we follow
in the way of your Son.
Amen.

prayer

All Welcome!

Learning from disability - It's not just ramps and large print!

An Inclusive Church event at St Stephen's Canterbury
Saturday 16 February 2019, Midday to 5 pm

God welcomes us all, whatever our strengths and weaknesses, our abilities and limitations and uses them to advance the Kingdom. Churches are not always so good at this, often unwittingly making people feel excluded. In this study afternoon the experts in this field – people who have various limitations – will share with us their experiences of being included and excluded in church. In this light we will discuss what we can do practically to make our churches more welcoming to all and how we can all benefit from the gifts people with disabilities have to offer. The day will start by sharing a light lunch and end by sharing the Eucharist.

No charge but please book a place by emailing petertoon@aol.com for catering purposes.

*If you would like to know more, please contact Rosalind Drewitt
email rosbeth50@outlook.com, phone 265783*



Seeking somebody organised....

The Annual Ride and Stride (a round-the-churches sponsored bike ride/walk) takes place every 2nd Saturday in September - this year it's the 14th September 2019

Derek and Rita Lofts used to be the reps for Seasalter for many years but we haven't had reps for a bit.. the job involves:

- advertising and encouraging involvement from June
- distributing Sponsorship Forms and other papers (all paperwork provided)
- advertising for people to sign up to walk or cycle around the churches
- arranging a rota of people to sit in the churches for an hour at a time to welcome any visitors
- visiting people to collect sponsorship money and sending it on afterwards to the Event Treasurer.

It's a fun event, and 50% of the sponsored proceeds come back to the home church!

Anyone fancy taking this once-a-year job on? Please speak to Paulette, Lynda or Ali who can put you in touch with David Sims who has the paperwork kit to get you started.

P.S. Friends of Kent Churches have offered £1k to the Old Church project even though we didn't really fit their criteria for grants.

MEN!
SCC NEEDS
YOU ...



... TO EAT
FOOD!!

Men's steak night
Tuesday 29 January
at the Peter Cushing
(Wetherspoon's) in town
starting at 1930 hrs



Churches Together in Whitstable

Sacred Space

Taize and other music with
intermittent periods of silence
Church in near darkness so please
bring a torch
You are welcome to arrive late or
leave early

Monday 28 January

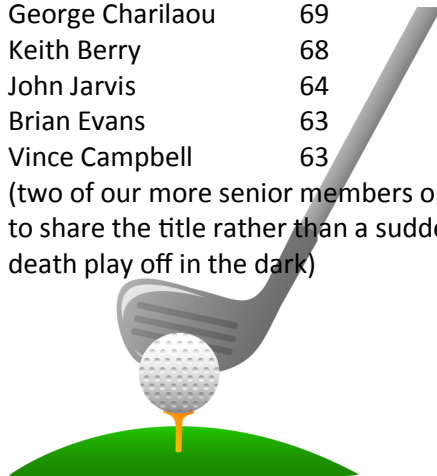
From 8pm to 9pm
All Saints' Whitstable

STAGS end of year golf championship

After one of the closest and keenly
fought tournaments in living memory the
results in reverse order:

Matt Kinsella	76
David Kemp	72
Dave Hopkins	70
George Charilaou	69
Keith Berry	68
John Jarvis	64
Brian Evans	63
Vince Campbell	63

(two of our more senior members opted
to share the title rather than a sudden
death play off in the dark)

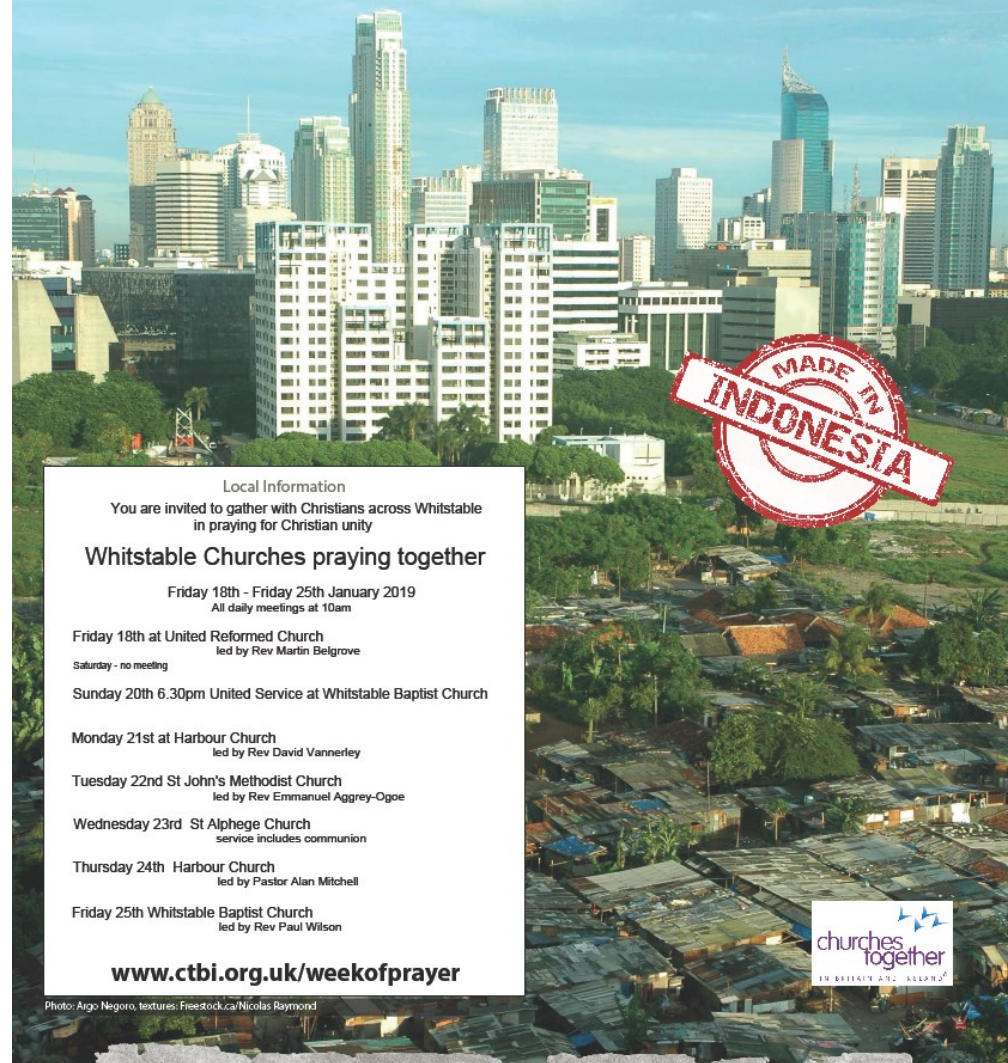


The Church Family Directory 2019

Production has been a little
delayed - please bear with us!

If you have checked your details
yet, the lists are in church on
Sunday 20 January and Sunday
27 January.

ONLY JUSTICE



Local Information

You are invited to gather with Christians across Whitstable
in praying for Christian unity

Whitstable Churches praying together

Friday 18th - Friday 25th January 2019
All daily meetings at 10am

Friday 18th at United Reformed Church
led by Rev Martin Belgrove

Saturday - no meeting

Sunday 20th 6.30pm United Service at Whitstable Baptist Church

Monday 21st at Harbour Church
led by Rev David Vannerley

Tuesday 22nd St John's Methodist Church
led by Rev Emmanuel Aggrey-Ogoe

Wednesday 23rd St Alphege Church
service includes communion

Thursday 24th Harbour Church
led by Pastor Alan Mitchell

Friday 25th Whitstable Baptist Church
led by Rev Paul Wilson

www.ctbi.org.uk/weekofprayer

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Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2019