

## Prayer at the Heart

Please pray for:

### Immediate needs 2 - 4 weeks

- Craig (Newlyn's) dad, Trevor, died on Tuesday following a short illness, please pray for Craig, Becca and all the family.
- Our much-loved friend, Emm (Adamson)
- Katy (Burney) for a good recovery after her recent operation on her thyroid.
- Sue Jones (Sarah Campbell's friend) for a complete recovery following a difficult operation.
- Ann (Donald's sister) with cancer of the mouth.
- Sarah (Long) following surgery for breast cancer.
- Vince and his family.

During May we will be praying for those living in Borstal Hill (evens) including Windmill Court, Vulcan Close and Joy Lane.

### Long term needs - up to 3 months

- Derek (Becca's Dad).
- Steve, from the old church, with cancer.
- Jo (Amanda Humphrey's sister).
- Please pray for everyone in our church family living with long-term illnesses or conditions including Brian (Evans), Dennis, Denise, Donald, Emma, Joan (Ann Shuttle's sister), Joyce Holland, Katherine, Katy, Lenni (Oakley), Rosalind, Ruth Saleh, Stella (Masters).

We give thanks for all who care faithfully for others - because it's their job, or because they are caring for a loved-one. We pray for strength and rest and the support of others.

*If you would like someone to be added to the prayer needs, please contact:  
Carol Judge 277752 or David & Lynda Kemp 272470*

*Thank you* very much from the Long family for the delicious meals, prayers and love from our church family as we navigated our way through the last 4 months. We feel very blessed.



## Welcome to St Alphege, Seasalter

**Sunday 17 May 2026**

**Seventh Sunday of Easter**

8.45 am Holy Communion service

10.30 am Service for all ages with group for children and YPs

**Reading: 1 Cor.1: 18 - 25**

Donald Lugg uses this prayer every day and wanted to share it with us following our Church Annual Meeting last Sunday:

Gracious God,

I thank you for your call, the invitation to be part of the work of your kingdom.

I thank you that you welcome me as I am - with all my faults and doubts - and that though I fail you repeatedly, you still want to use me in your service.

Gracious God, I praise you for that inescapable sense of call that you give; help me to respond.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

Flowers this week have been donated by Evelyn Seath.

Evelyn is celebrating her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday.

We are looking forward to celebrating her special birthday with her at Open Door on Thursday the 21<sup>st</sup> May.

Please speak to Hazel Bentley if you would like to make a donation towards church flowers to mark your special occasions or in memory of loved ones.



Hazel's Mobile is 07769 735336.

## Yay! and Pray

This week we are . . .

### Celebrating:

- we give thanks for the wonderful opportunity at our Annual Meeting last Sunday to look back together with gratitude and forward with hope and expectation. Build your church Lord, for your kingdom's sake.



### Praying for:

- our renewed Church Council (DCC) as we meet on Tuesday 19th to plan some important next steps and make some decisions about the Youth Hub, wider use of The Hub building, development of the garden and the funding and shaping 3 key roles: Youth Minister, the administrative and building booking role and someone to bring oversight, support the volunteer teams and build community engagement with children and families.



**Please Note** We livestream our 8.45 service and occasionally other services, uploading these to our church YouTube channel. The camera is focussed on the stage area (please be aware of this if you go up onto the stage during the service), and we don't film during the distribution of Holy Communion. Some backs of heads will appear in camera view. Please speak to a Church Warden when you arrive if you wish to avoid being in camera view.

**Safeguarding** is the name for the way all of us help to keep each other safe and supported at St Alphege Seasalter, especially those who might be particularly vulnerable to harm - children and vulnerable adults.

**If you see or experience something that worries you**, speak to: Hilary Poulton our Safeguarding Coordinator 07375 535198, Paulette Stubbings our Vicar 07305 611437, Hannah Rogers our Youth Minister 07477 493874 or Mark Arnold our Churchwarden 07545 775860. You can also contact the Diocesan Safeguarding Team [www.canterburydiocese.org/safeguarding](http://www.canterburydiocese.org/safeguarding) or the Police if necessary.

# WHITSTABLE TREES

## A PROJECT FOR FAMILIES

### GET TO KNOW YOUR LOCAL TREES TOGETHER



4 FUN SEASONAL WALKS  
WITH KNOWLEDGEABLE GUIDES  
TREE MAPPING  
TREE ID & CARE



FUN CRAFTS  
STORIES  
NATURE CONNECTION

TREE THEMED SNACKS

LOOKING FOR FAMILIES  
IN SEASALTER TO JOIN IN

CONTACT [JO FUTUREFOODFORESTS@GMAIL.COM](mailto:JO.FUTUREFOODFORESTS@GMAIL.COM)  
TEXT 07747386994



Whitstable Eco Fair on Saturday 30  
May 10am-4pm at St John's  
Methodist church, Argyle road.

Come and browse the initiatives  
happening in Whitstable!!



"Christianity is the only co-operative society  
that exists for the benefit of  
non-members"  
William Temple

[with thanks to Lizzie for this]

## SCC Worship Team

We are looking to grow our  
community of musicians who  
have a heart to help our church  
enter into worship. Whether  
you're a seasoned pro or a  
'bedroom musician' looking to  
serve, there is a place for you  
here at SCC.

Talk to Paulette, any of  
the worship leaders or  
scan the QR code



## Little Salties

Toddler group  
Tuesdays

9.30am - 11.30am, Term time only

Seasalter Christian Centre

Contact Pam for more info

[pam.crocombe@stalphegeseasalter.org](mailto:pam.crocombe@stalphegeseasalter.org)



## THIS WEEK at St Alphege Seasalter

*We do our best to compile this so the info is in one place -  
but we are a busy church - apologies if something gets missed*

**All at SCC unless otherwise indicated**

- Mon 18** 7 pm Flying Club
- Tues 19** 9.30 - 11.30 am Little Salties Toddler Group  
4.30 - 6.30 pm Youth Drop-In @ The Hub (school yrs 7-13)
- Wed 20** 8 am prayer on Zoom (ID 279 401 6881 Password (V3pXbH)  
2.30 pm Holy Communion
- Thu 21** 10 - 11.30am Open Door Community Coffee Morning  
followed by 'Soup and Story'
- Fri 22** 10 am Bible Study  
2 pm Social Games at SCC  
6pm Prayer Point at Rosemary's home (contact Paulette for  
details 07305 611437)  
6.30 - 8 pm Friday Night Club for Youth (school yrs 7-10) @  
The Hub
- Sun 24** 8.45 am Holy Communion service  
10.30 am Service for all ages with group for children and YPs

**Connect Groups are the small group programme within  
St Alphege Seasalter.**



**Groups meet at various times and venues and cater to  
most needs and tastes.**

**All groups attempt to support each member physically,  
emotionally and spiritually.**

**Are you 'Connected'?**

**Speak to anyone wearing a Connect Badge to get involved or email  
[connect@stalphegeseasalter.org](mailto:connect@stalphegeseasalter.org)**

## TLC for our church kitchen!

Thank you to all who serve in any capacity in our church kitchen - and for the way our church uses our kitchen for hospitality throughout the week.

### 2 key things for us all to think about:

Firstly, we have a new cooker - a commercial electric oven with an induction hob which will make good use of our solar panel energy. Please do not put anything on the induction hob unless you are using one of our induction compatible pans to cook something. When taking things out of the oven they need to be placed on the stainless steel work surfaces either side of the oven, **not on the hob**. Please remember that this commercial oven and hob is more powerful/fiercer than a domestic one. Please follow the guidelines above the hob when using the cooker.



Secondly, we are at that time of year when we are expecting an official kitchen hygiene inspection. Cont./p 5

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It is especially important to retain our excellent rating when the kitchen is used to cater for conferences etc. Please help us to leave the kitchen clean and tidy at all times. Please do not leave anything in the fridges or freezers without ensuring it is labelled and dated, listing ingredients for any home made foods and giving the name and the date of the event which it is to be used by. Unlabelled items will be disposed of.

We are undertaking a deep clean and reset of the kitchen on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May.

**Church Notices** Please note that the deadline for the following Sunday is midnight on Tuesday. Paula Email: paula.dean@stalphegeseasalter.org



Fareshare is an initiative to reduce food waste and distribute to those who might need it.

St Alphege Seasalter collects food on Sundays and Wednesday to distribute the following morning. We currently need people who could pick up food from Tankerton Tesco on a Sunday evening between 8.30-9.30pm (from June onward) and drop at Seasalter Christian Centre Kitchen (putting items in fridge as needed).

If you want more details or could help please contact Ann Price ann.price@stalphegeseasalter.org