

## YOUTH SOCIAL

The Youth are having a social evening for ages 11-18 on Wednesday 22nd March, 5.30pm at Jump Heaven Trampoline Park, Pepper Road, Hazel Grove, Stockport SK7 5BW.



Meet outside St Matthew's at 4:30pm to travel in leaders' cars or meet together at Jump Heaven at 5.20pm - consent forms must be signed by parents or guardians.

Any questions or to book your place speak to Jonny - 07837786045 or jonny@holytrinity.stalybridge.org

## CLEAR UP MORNING

The next clear up morning around the canal and centre of Stalybridge will be next Saturday 25th March from 9.30-12.30pm. Can you help? It's good to be doing something practical together to help improve our town and we're glad that the church can be a focal point to help this to happen. Please just come for an hour if you can't make the whole morning - there's a great atmosphere and it's surprisingly good fun!

## PASTORAL CARE AND VISITING

If you know of someone who is unwell, in hospital or would like a visit because they cannot get to church, please let Cris know through the church office or speak directly to Beryl Pickersgill 01457 762020 who coordinates our Visiting Team.



## FOODBANK

Thanks for your continued support for the Foodbank. The following items are urgently required: Fruit Drinks, Tinned Fruit, Sponge Puddings, Coffee, Tinned Rice Pudding and toiletries.



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The church office is open Monday, Tuesday and Friday from 9.00am to 3.00pm and Wednesday 10.00am to 3.00pm

# HOLY TRINITY

STALYBRIDGE

March 19th 2017

### Sunday 19th March

9.15am and 11.15am Communion and Children's Groups

*'I believe in the church'*

1 Peter 5: 4-10

6.30pm Breathe service in St Matthews

### Monday 20th March

9.15am Family Forum

7.30pm PCC meeting

### Wednesday 22nd March

9.00am Prayer Meeting

10.00am Bridge Coffee Shop

2.00pm Craft, Art and Knitting group

5.30pm Youth social

### Thursday 23rd March

7.15pm Youth Encounter

7.30pm Worship Group

### Friday 24th March

9.30am Schools event in church

10.30am Bible Study in St Matthews

### Saturday 25th March

9.30am Clear up morning

### Sunday 26th March

9.15am Mothers Day Family Service

11.15am Mothers Day Family Service with Baptism

*'The Lost Sheep and the Lost Coin'*

Luke 15; 1-10

## WELCOME !!

We are delighted that you are with us for our services this morning.

If you are visiting or new to Holy Trinity it's great to have you with us - we hope that you feel at home. Please make yourself known to one of the welcome team (wearing white badges) after the service - they would love to get you a cup of coffee and tell you a bit about the church.



WORSHIPPING GOD BUILDING COMMUNITY SERVING THE NEIGHBOURHOOD

## BIG CHURCH DAY OUT

This is a two day festival on Friday and Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> June at Capesthorpe Hall in Cheshire. There will be worship led by Bethel Music, Rend Collective, Switchfoot, Casting Crowns, Tim Hughes, Worship Central and many others together with fun activities for all the family. Anyone willing to serve on team for the day gets a free place and food. There are flyers at the back of church and more information at [www.bigchurchdayout.com](http://www.bigchurchdayout.com). You can attend for both days and camp over or just go on the Saturday.



We have discovered that the Chester Diocese has 'bagsied' a field of its own and negotiated a far better discount than we could ever achieve (e.g. £25 adults and £19 for kids for the full weekend). On the back of this info, we've decided: if you can't beat 'em, join 'em! We'll still stick together as a church group, within the field.

If you've booked your tickets already, you should CANCEL them and re-book via:

<http://www.chester.anglican.org/event.asp?Page=1421#.WMfBEFXyJIV>

Any questions, see Lou Mitchell or contact her on 07980 139591.

## PRAYING FOR OTHERS

It's always good to pray for others and there are times we would all value prayer but it's not easy to let people know of our needs. To help with that we're starting a new initiative called 'Pray for me HT'.



It's simple enough – if you have a prayer request, email it to [prayformeht@gmail.com](mailto:prayformeht@gmail.com) and it will then be passed on to those who have signed up to pray – anonymously if that's what you'd prefer and indicate. We also need people who will commit to pray, so if you're willing to do that please also send an email to the same address to let us know - or speak to Dave Monday for more information.

Don't forget our weekly prayer meeting on Wednesdays from 9.00 – 9.45am in St Matthews. Please join us if you can – a great way to start the day!

## GROUP PHOTOS

Have you any photos of your group and their activities? We'd love to include them in our round-up of the year video at the annual meeting in April. We're grateful once again to Alan Carter who is putting this together. It takes a tremendous amount of time to produce so he **urgently** needs your photos. Please drop a memory stick into the church office with your photos or send us a dropbox or googledocs link.

## ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING

Our Annual Parochial Church Meeting this year will be on **Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30pm**. This is the meeting where our financial accounts for the year are presented, we elect our churchwardens, PCC members, Deanery Synod reps and welcome team for the coming year and we review and give thanks for all that God has done amongst us.



To take part in this meeting you must be on the Electoral Roll which is essentially a church membership list. Please speak to John Haslam to get an application form if you are not already on the roll – or to check the list on the board to see whether you are.

## MEN'S BREAKFAST

Please join us for a men's breakfast in St Matthews on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> April from 9.30- 11.00am. The speaker will be Matt Hooper. Matt is a worship leader, song writer and pastor at Life Church in Bradford. While he is well known internationally for his songs, he is passionate about the local church and pastoral care.



He heads up pastoral ministry with his wife Clare Hooper at Life Church as they seek to encourage people to grow deeper in their faith and relationships with others. Matt is a very gifted speaker always delivering a clear and relevant message for peoples lives.

Tickets which include a full English breakfast are £5.00 – now available from Will Drain.

## SEEKING OLD PHOTOS

Do you have any photos of Holy Trinity during the World War II period, or of the parish centenary in 1947, or the church 150<sup>th</sup> celebrations in 1997? Or have you any memories or anecdotes from these times? Then Valerie Clements would love to hear from you in connection with the Heritage work she and others are doing. Please contact her on 07930 762603 or [valerieedna15151@gmail.com](mailto:valerieedna15151@gmail.com).



## BREATHE

In the midst of our busy lives it is important for us to take time to be still and listen to God. That is the purpose of our evening Breathe services and the next one is on **tonight 19<sup>th</sup> March at 6.30pm in St Matthews** – refreshments served from 6.15pm. An opportunity to let God breathe his breath into us, to be still, to listen to his word, to go deeper.



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