



The Churches of  
**STANTON-BY-DALE with  
DALE ABBEY & RISLEY**

Saint Michael & All Angels, Stanton-by-Dale | All Saints, Dale Abbey | All Saints, Risley



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28th July 2024

## Welcome to our service today, especially if you are a visitor

- Crèche facilities are available throughout the Benefice. Please ask one of the church wardens or welcomers where these can be found. Please also feel no embarrassment if your little ones make noise—we are a church family of all ages!
- There is no collection taken during the service but you are welcome to give towards the work of the church on the plate at the back or through the bank (bank details are on the back of this news sheet). If you do wish to give and are a tax payer please think about completing a Gift Aid declaration which are in the pew or next to the offertory plate at the back.
- If you know of anyone sick or in any sort of need, please pass the details on to one of the church wardens or clergy.
- Refreshments are served after our services. Please do join us for a chat; we are also happy to pray with you after any service.
- JAM Club (Jesus and Me) for children aged 3 to 11, takes place during our services (not All-Age Services) at Stanton and Risley. Details will be given during the service.

## Special prayer or collect - The Ninth Sunday after Trinity

Almighty God, who sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church: open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love and joy and peace; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

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### This week: 28th July

**10.30am Joint Benefice Service of All Age  
Morning Worship, Risley**

Passage: Psalm 51

Talk: Amazing Grace 1: David

***No services at Dale or Stanton***

### Next week: 4th August

**10.30am Joint Benefice Service of  
Communion, Stanton**

Passage: Isaiah 6: 1-8

Talk: Amazing Grace 2: Isaiah

***No services at Dale or Risley***

## **The 2024 “summer sermon series” begins!!**

From Sunday, and for the following 5 Sundays we will be having one 10.30am benefice service (rotating between the 3 churches, beginning at Risley and finishing with an outdoor service at The Arch, Dale Abbey on September 1<sup>st</sup>) during which we are looking at 6 people in the bible who received “amazing grace” from God.

I wonder when you hear the words “amazing grace”, what immediately comes to mind ?

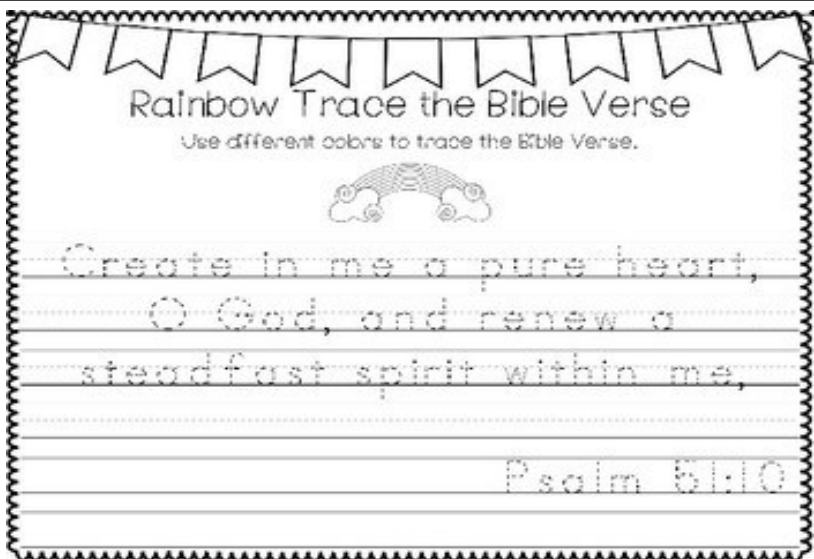
For me it was during the covid pandemic, when during our online services and later during services in church when we were not allowed to sing, we used to watch and listen to a video of the hymn Amazing Grace, sung by a large group of individuals who had videoed and recorded themselves singing along to the music. It still brings tears to my eyes.

The hymn Amazing Grace really does sum up the important message of how through our relationship with God, each of us receives amazing grace, which is “that forgiveness and redemption are possible regardless of sins committed and that the soul can be delivered from despair through the mercy of God”

This Sunday we start with David who had certainly committed great sin, including both adultery and murder. After being confronted by Nathan the prophet about the deeds, David writes Psalm 51. This is one of the most emotionally charged psalms ever written as David literally cries out to God for mercy.

Do come and join us on Sunday to hear more...a warm welcomes awaits you in All Saints Risley for our service from 10.30am.

Rachel Hobbs



## **This week's news**

### **1. Church Office**

The office will be open Mon, Weds, Thurs, Fri 9.30am to 1.30pm. **CLOSED** on Tues. To contact the office, call 0115 9440609 or email: [elaine.warren@sdrchurches.org.uk](mailto:elaine.warren@sdrchurches.org.uk)

### **2. SDR Churches Livestream - Stanton services**

Our YouTube page can be accessed by clicking on the YouTube logo on our website or visit [www.youtube.com/@sdrchurches](http://www.youtube.com/@sdrchurches) – click the 'Live' tab for livestreamed services. Remember, you won't see the livestream until we start streaming (at 10.45am).

### **3. Midlands Women's Convention**

Bookings are now open for the Midlands Women's Convention being held on Saturday 5th October, 9.15am to 3.30pm at the Cornerstone Church, Nottingham. Tickets are £18 each (£15 concessions). The talk for this years conference is from the book of Job: Light in the darkness. Email: [midlandswomensconvention.org.uk](http://midlandswomensconvention.org.uk) for bookings and further information.

### **4. James' Licensing Service**

James' licensing service at his new benefice will take place on Monday 9th September, starting at 7.00pm prompt at St Lawrence's Church, North Wingfield, S42 5HX. Please do consider coming to this service (we will be asking for numbers of people going nearer the time) as you will be most welcome! If you are going, and you are driving there, please think about offering a lift to someone who either doesn't drive or someone that you can easily car share with (it can take between 35+ and 45 minutes to get there, traffic depending). If you are able to sort transport out amongst yourselves, the church leadership team would be most grateful.

### **5. Availability**

Please note that both Phil and James are away from their desks until Sunday 4th August. In an emergency, please either contact the church office, a church warden or a lay reader. Thank you.

### **6. All Together Prayer Meeting**

The next All Together Prayer Meeting is on Wednesday 7th August, 7.45pm at the Old School, Stanton.

### **7. Stirling Bomber Crash Memorial Service**

On Saturday 31st August, 11.00 am at the Stanton Church War Memorial, there will be an act of remembrance to remember the crew of the Stirling Bomber who died on active service when their aircraft crashed near Stanton by Dale on 31st August 1944. Everyone is welcome.

### Dates for your diary in the coming weeks:

**August 6th**—Funeral service of John Cresswell 2.00pm Risley Church

**August 7th**—7.45pm All Together Prayer Meeting, Old School, Stanton

**August 11th**—Benefice Service at All Saints Dale Abbey, 10:30am

**August 18th**—Benefice Service at Risley, 10:30am

**August 25th**—Benefice Communion Service at Stanton, 10:30am

**August 31st**—11.00am Stirling Bomber Crash Memorial Service, Stanton

**September 1st**—Benefice Service at The Arch, Dale Abbey, 10:30am

**September 3rd**—2.30pm Tea and Company, Old School, Stanton

**September 9th**—Licensing Service, 7pm, St Lawrence's, North Wingfield

**Saturday 5th October**—Midlands Women's Convention

*HOME GROUPS are an important part of our ministry. They run in various places around the Benefice—please speak to Phil to find out more, we would love for you to be included.*

**Do you need someone to chat to, or pray with? If so, get in touch, we'd love to help!**

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**See and Know (Toddlers)** - Tues mornings during term time, starting at 9.30am, The Old School, Stanton.

**Heroes (7-11s)** (6-7pm) and **Impact (11-16s)** (7-8:15pm) on Thursdays, both at The Old School, Stanton.

**Ignite (14-18s)** - (6.30pm-8.00pm) Sunday evenings. Please speak to Phil or James for further details.

**Bank Details- Giving:** Thank you to all who continue to support the gospel work and ministry of the Benefice financially, your support is *much appreciated*. If you would like to consider giving your donation direct to a church bank account, or passing on a cheque to either Phil, James or the church office, the account details are below:

**Risley:** Bank: NatWest; Sort code: 60 13 23; Account number: 96350199; Account name: PCC All Saints Risley (please make cheques payable to the account name)

**Stanton:** Bank: NatWest; Sort code: 60 11 37; Account number: 96512067; Account name: Stanton by Dale PCC (please make cheques payable to the account name)

**Dale:** Bank: NatWest; Sort code: 60 11 37; Account number: 96529903; Account name: Dale Abbey Church (please make cheques payable to the account name)

### Mission Partner Prayers—Open Doors

As the Paris Olympics begin athletes from all of the 50 countries on the Open Doors World Persecution Watch list will be taking part. Please pray for their safety, also harmony when competing against competitors from other countries where cultures clash or are even at war with each other.

Please pray that they would be open to hear and receive the God news about Jesus for themselves.

We also praise God for the rescue by the Nigerian Army of 331 people mostly women and children held by the Islamist extremist group Boko Haram. Especially for 27 year old Ihyi Abdul who was one of the girls abducted from her school in 2014. She now has two children and is pregnant with a third. She was forcibly married to 8 different men in 10 years and has had 3 children to 3 different husbands. Please rejoice that she is now in safe hands. Pray that she recovers from the traumas she has faced during her captivity.

**Street Prayers** Pray for businesses and residents on School Lane, First Avenue and Arbour Hill.

**The Sick** Jane Geary, Ian Hill, Ian Howarth, Audrey Sims and Marion Barnstall.

**Bereaved** Families and friends of: Michael Farnsworth, Ken Geary, Cherry Huckle, Eric Gomes, Bridget Lakin, Patricia Richmond, Pete David (Teri Stanbury's father), Thomas Kenneth Lilley, Margaret Brown, David Troop, Anne Evans (Zena's mother in law), Hilda Naylor, John Cresswell and Ted Allsopp.

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