



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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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 Last Sunday after Trinity

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: help us so to hear them, to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word, we may embrace and for ever hold fast the hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ, 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: 27th October

9.00am Morning Worship, *The Gateway*, Dale
10.45am Morning Worship with JAM Club, Stanton, (livestreamed)
4.00pm Risley@4 with JAM Club
Passage: Jeremiah 31: 23-34
Talk: God's Big Picture #5

If we are able to host a lunchtime prayer meeting on Fri 1st Nov, we will send a meeting code out via the church email beforehand.

Next week: 3rd November

9.00am Traditional Communion, Risley, (followed by the interment of remains of Wendy Roome)
10.45am All Age Worship, Stanton, (livestreamed) (followed by the interment of remains of Frederick Perry)
4.00pm Risley@4 All Age
Passage: Matthew 1: 1-17
Talk: God's Big Picture #6

God's Big Picture—Week 5—the Prophesied Kingdom

Last week we spent time on a roller coaster tour of the Old Testament, covering about 2/3rds of the Old Testament in around 20 mins! We saw how God's covenant promises to Abraham of Land, People and Blessing played out through the Exodus, the giving of the law, God's people settling in the 'promised land' and then the Israelites having Kings.

Through it all we saw many twists and turns, and ultimately, we saw God's people renege on their promise to obey God. As such, ultimately the nation of Israel was split into two (the northern nation of Israel with 10 tribes, and the southern nation of Judah with two tribes). And then, both of those nations were annexed and exiled—firstly Israel was taken over by Assyria, and later Judah was taken over by Babylon. (Incidentally, both of these events are thoroughly well attested in the global historical record—the Bible is full of real life stories involving real life people in real life history!).

We are left wondering what is going to happen to these covenant promises made to Abraham? How will God's people ever live in God's place and under his rule and blessing again? Enter the Prophets! And this is what we'll be thinking about this week as we see God's faithfulness to His promises. We'll see God's plan ultimately to make everything good, in fact, even better than Eden! Such that, in the book of Jeremiah we read that God says: *I will put my law in their minds and write it on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people* (Jeremiah 31:33b). Come and join us this Sunday as we learn more and as we rejoice at God's faithfulness to his promises. *Phil*



13. The Christian Institute

The Christian Institute are hosting a meeting to look at 'Defending faith, family and freedom', on Tuesday 12th November, 7.30pm to 8.45pm at Stapleford Baptist Church, Albert Street, NG9 8DB. Topics will include Conversion therapy, Assisted suicide and Schools. The speakers will be David McPherson and Angus Saul. For further information contact Jo Dunn 07543 854204 or email sbc.office.2017@gmail.com. Some flyers are available at the back of church.

14. Christmas Events and Services!

We are almost at the point of being ready to advertise our Christmas events and service times! A few events have appeared in the 'Dates for your Diary' section on the back of the news sheet but a full and comprehensive list will be available in church soon. Please look out for it and remember to pick one up!

15. Bags of Hope

As in previous years, Bags of Hope containing a 'SuperBook—Book of Hope' and a colouring sheet (distributed via United Christian Broadcasters and One Hope) are available at the back of each church if you would like to take some and give them out to children who come to your house trick or treating on 31st October. By all means add some sweets or chocolate or any other treat of your choice to the bag.

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This week's news

1. Church Office

The office will be **open** Mon to Fri 9.30am to 1.30pm. To contact the office, call 0115 9440609 or email: 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 – click the 'Live' tab for livestreamed services. Remember, you won't see the livestream until we start streaming (at 10.45am).

3. DISCOVER—Now in the daytime!

The DISCOVER Course continues on Tuesday 5th November, 1.30pm to 2.30pm at the Gateway in Dale Abbey. It's NOT too late to join. Please speak to Phil if you need anymore information.

4. Tea and Company

Tea and Company will meet next on Tuesday 5th November, 2.30pm to 4.00pm at the Old School, Stanton. Everyone welcome!

5. SDR Kids and Youth Family Bonfire

See and Know, JAM Club, Heroes, Impact and Ignite families are all invited to the Rectory for our Kids and Youth family Bonfire on November 7th, from 6-7pm. There will be a big bonfire, cake and drinks, sparklers and marshmallow toasting. On this week there will be normal Heroes and Impact. (Please note, Heroes and Impact will return as normal on Nov 14th)

6. Remembrance Sunday

A reminder that our three churches will all begin their services at 10.15am on Sunday 10th November followed by acts of remembrance at their respective war memorials at 11.00am.

7. Joint PCC

The next Joint PCC meeting is on Tuesday 12th November, 7.15pm at the Old School, Stanton.

8. Prayer Meetings—Save the date!

Our next two monthly all together prayer meetings are on November 13th at The Old School, Stanton by Dale, and on December 11th, which will be online. At our December meeting we'll be welcoming James Clark, our mission partner in Belgium with Crosslinks. The Zoom code for this will be shared nearer the time. Both of these meetings will start at 7:45pm and it would be great to have you with us!

9. Midlands Men's Convention

Saturday 16th November, 10.00am to 4.15pm (doors will open earlier) at the Cornerstone Church, Nottingham, NG7 1JG. Tickets are £15 each (concessions £10). The theme for this years convention is 'Talking Men, Conversations that serve Christ'. For further information, visit: midlandsmensconvention.org.uk

10. School House—an exciting opportunity!

School House, next to the Old School Christian Centre, and the same site as the Deli Café, is available to rent for someone involved in Parish Ministry. To find out more, please contact Phil on phil.selby@sdrchurches.org.uk or call 07768 095270. Details were shared in this week's church family email—if you'd like to be added to the list, please let me know!

11. Availability

Please note that Phil is away from his desk until Sun 3rd Nov. If you have an urgent request or need during this time, please either contact the church office, a warden or a lay-reader.

12. Groups

Our children's groups aren't running this week as it's Derbyshire Schools half-term. They will resume week beginning 4th Nov.

Dates for your diary in the coming weeks:

Tuesday 5th November—2.30pm Tea and Company, Old School, Stanton

Sunday 10th November—10.15am Remembrance services at all three churches

Tuesday 12th November— 7.15pm Joint PCC, Old School, Stanton

Wednesday 13th November—7.45pm All Together Prayer Meeting, Old School, Stanton

Friday 15th November—3.30pm Tea and Company, Gateway, Dale Abbey

Saturday 16th November— Midlands Men's Convention

Tuesday 3rd December— 2.30pm Christmas Tea and Company, Old School, Stanton

Tuesday 10th December—2.30pm Carol singing at Woodhall Park Nursing Home, Risley

Friday 13th December— 3.30pm Christmas Tea and Company, Gateway, Dale Abbey

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!

Email: elaine.warren@sdrchurches.org.uk

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. Speak to Phil, Nick, Ali or Holly 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—Crosslinks (from the Clark family in Belgium) Thanksgiving to the Lord:
1. For baby Susannah putting on some good weight! and being a super lady in general. Nights have been quite tough recently (esp for poor Lou!) so please pray for energy, love, perseverance knowing there's light at the end of the tunnel.
2. For our new church apprentices Joëlle and Eliakim who are settling in well. It's the first time we've had 2 Belgians (Joëlle actually Luxembourgese -- but close enough!) on the scheme which is exciting. Both are doing studies at the Bible college in Brussels too.
3. Encouraging news from Gabriel, recently converted at the start of the summer, leading his family well in the faith. They're now down in Switzerland.
4. The kids are coming on leaps and bounds in their French, and (more surprisingly...) their willingness to give it a go in public. Unheard for us up until now - a real answer to prayer. **Points for prayer please to our Abba, Father :**
1. For our student group meeting on Monday nights, looking at Jonah. Please pray for us to be good students of the Lord as He teaches us (with Jonah) about his desire and (unstoppable) plan to save sinners.
2. For our fortnightly evangelistic football gathering - Was great to have 16 there on Wednesday (13 unbelievers). If you could pray for good discussions this year, and for the clear, punchy 4min talks by various folk at half-time
3. For our ongoing sermon series on Sunday in Romans 5- 8 : That the Lord would convince that we're slaves to him now (6v22)
4. Our unbelieving neighbour is on his second round of chemo. They've been v open about it with us and asking for prayer. Please pray for us to seek out and make most of opportunities with him and his wife
5. For some lunchtime "Waffle+Big Question" evangelistic events coming up with the students. For boldness in inviting, and people starting to read the Word of Life.

Street Prayers Pray for businesses and residents on Bowling Close, Bostocks Lane and Dale outlying farms.

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

Bereaved Families and friends of: Anne Evans (Zena's mother in law), Hilda Naylor, John Cresswell, Ted Alsop, Derek Gregory, Frederick Perry, Barry Cross and Wendy Roome.