

EBA Prayer Focus: Union Church, Hunstanton

Hunstanton is a traditional seaside resort on the north-west coast of Norfolk. The church first gathered at low tide on the beach between 1850-1870 before permission was granted for the chapel to be built in a prominent location in the town centre. Unusually the church is both a Baptist church and United Reformed church – hence the “union”. The church struggled with covid and has taken a long while to reopen. Numbers on Sundays have declined since lockdown but are now beginning to recover with over 35 present last week. The church is currently without a minister but is blessed with a number of talented members who regularly lead services, along with occasional visiting speakers. The congregation is mainly older, reflecting the profile of the town, but everyone is very supportive of the church.

There is a well-attended Friday Fellowship each week as well as regular prayer meetings which are currently held on Zoom. In recent months there has been a whole new deaconate elected and the new leadership team is on a steep learning curve but already rising to the challenges the church faces. Key amongst these are premises and fabric issues with a lot of work that needs to be addressed.

- Pray for the new leadership team as they get to grips with their new roles and the issues to be addressed.
- A solution to the fabric issues with the old buildings which need a lot of work.
- Encouragement for the fellowship as they look forward to the future, seeking a new vision to build the ongoing work and mission of the church.

**National & International**

- Pray for wisdom for our national leaders and parliamentarians in this time of political crisis.
- Continue to pray for an end to the conflict between Ukraine and Russia

**OPEN DOORS**

- Pray that the faith of believers under persecution in parts of India may know God's strength and presence.
- Give thanks for Open Doors partners who seek to provide assistance and support to Christians suffering false accusations.
- Pray that those who seek to attack and discredit Christians will have their eyes open to the truth of the gospel.

***There are more prayer points in this week's Service Transcript which can be found online.***

**MRBC**

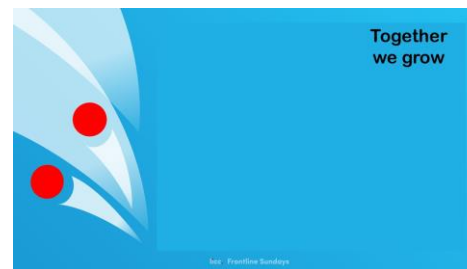
- Continue to pray for Walton Parish Nursing: for our Parish Nurses, for the Volunteers, and the activities: Exercise Classes, No Labels. Pray for the clients too.
- Pray that we will know the Lord's presence and guidance as we seek a new Pastor.
- Do continue to pray for those with health problems.

Walton Parish Nursing Contacts		
Lorna Bellamy	07969901001	Tues/Weds/Thurs 9.00 am - 4.00 pm
John Gillett	07909888703	Tues/Thurs 8.30 am - 4.30 pm

Welcome to Maidstone Road Baptist Church

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> August 2022  
**The Sunday Morning Service**  
*Leader and Speaker – Mark Reid*

This week	
Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> August	10.30am <b>The Sunday Morning Service</b> Speaker: <b>Mark Reid</b> At Church
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> August	
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> August	
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> August	<b>Chair-based Exercise @ MRBC</b> – on a break over the summer 7.30 <b>CAP Open Evening @ MRBC</b>
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> August	7.00pm <b>Kintsugi Hope Wellbeing Group @ St Mary's Church, Walton</b>
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> August	
Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup> August	12.00noon <b>BOOST BBQ @ 13 Picketts Road</b> (see flyer for details)
Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup> August	10.30am <b>The Sunday Morning Service</b> Speaker: <b>Mark Reid</b> - At Church



Today is our final Frontline Sunday:  
**Together We Grow**

**Weekly Sheet 21<sup>st</sup> August**  
 Please send notices directly to Mark Reid

**Church Website: [mrbcfelixstowe.org.uk](http://mrbcfelixstowe.org.uk)**

**Got a notice for the Sheet?**  
**Fellowship prayer** requests go to **Steve** by **Friday morning**  
**Notices** for the weekly sheet to **Lisa R** by **Friday evening**

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**HOME CRAFT** is taking a break in August. The next session will be **Weds 7<sup>th</sup> September @ 2.00pm**

**Tea and Cake** Friday 26<sup>th</sup> August, 2.00pm – 3.30pm @ MRBC (see additional note)

**Ladies Tea** – Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September, 3.00pm – 4.30pm @ The Golf Club (Please contact Delyth)

**Praise on the Prom** – Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> September (More information to follow)

### August Birthdays

14<sup>th</sup> Linda P



## PRAISE ON THE PROM

Praise on the Prom is scheduled for Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2022 on the usual site in the Spa Gardens. Do keep the date free in your diaries.

## HERITAGE WEEKEND (AND RIDE AND STRIDE)

**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> September** sees the annual Ride and Stride for the Suffolk Historic Churches Ride and Stride. **Please see Andrew Marfleet** if you want to sponsor him or anyone else from the church. It is also the Heritage Weekend, and we would like to open the church on the Saturday for visitors. To do that we need some volunteers to sign off the riders and striders and welcome visitors to the building. As previously, Mark will set up an historical display and produce a leaflet to hand out. **If you are willing to help, there is a rota for the day on the piano to sign up or contact Mark.**



### Thursday House Group (Amended)

The Thursday house group are taking a break for the month of August. We will be restarting on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September at 9.30am, where the venue will be at Jackie & Tim Leeming's house, 40 Chatsworth Crescent, Trimley St Mary.

## REGULAR STUFF

**Leadership Team** – usually monthly first Tuesday.

Next Meeting – **Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September** at 7.30pm

**Church Meeting** – usually bi-monthly third Tuesday.

Next meeting – **Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> September** at 7.30pm. Venue TBC.

**Prayer Meeting** – Next Meeting – **TBC** at 10.00am on Zoom

**Pastoral Care Team Meeting**

Next meeting – **TBC** at 10.30am. Venue - MRBC

## Small Groups

<b>Felixstowe Afternoon Group (Margaret Lines/Ingrid Fenn)</b>	Fridays Fortnightly
<b>Trimley Evening Group (Andrew Marfleet)</b>	Mondays Fortnightly
<b>Old Felixstowe Daytime Group (Steve Lineham)</b>	Meeting every 1 <sup>st</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> <b>Wednesday</b> of the month. Contact Steve Lineham for more info.
<b>Felixstowe Morning Group (Jackie &amp; Tim Leeming)</b>	<b>Restarting 9.30am Thurs 1<sup>st</sup> September</b> @ 40 Chatsworth Drive, T S Mary.

### TEA AND CAKE

Our next tea and cake afternoon will be on **Friday August 26<sup>th</sup> from 2.00pm - 3.30pm.**

Please come and join us, and if you are able to help in any way, that would be wonderful.

We need **CAKES** (homemade) and helpers - to serve, set up and talk to visitors.

Come for the whole time or just a part. You will all be welcome!

Please let me know if you will be able to help in any way.

*Delyth*



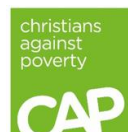
The **Home Craft Group** held in the schoolroom on alternate Wednesdays will be closed for the month of August and will reopen on the 7<sup>th</sup> of September.

All those interested in craft work of any sort are more than welcome. We have people who are able to assist with a large range of activities from knitting, sewing, art work, furniture renewal etc, whilst enjoying nice cup of tea as well.

### Needed – Debt Coach

If you are interested and would like to know more, please come to our open evening on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> August 19:30 at Maidstone Road Baptist Church, IP11 9ED.

If you can't get to the evening, please contact Steve Lineham email: [steve.lineham9@me.com](mailto:steve.lineham9@me.com) by 17<sup>th</sup> August to arrange a chat.



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<b>Weekly Prayer Update</b>	Steve Lineham		<a href="mailto:prayer@mrbcfelixstowe.org.uk">prayer@mrbcfelixstowe.org.uk</a>
<b>Weekly Sheet</b>	Lisa Ransom		<a href="mailto:notices@mrbcfelixstowe.org.uk">notices@mrbcfelixstowe.org.uk</a>