

GRACE AND TRUTH
GOD MADE KNOWN



Welcome

Sunday 16th December
'3rd Sunday of Advent'

Today

9.45 and 11.30am: Francesca Young Kaufman will be preaching on "Grace and Truth" as part of our Advent Series

Readings: Isaiah 61: 1-3 & Luke 1: 26-55

6.30pm: Connor McIlwaine will be preaching alongside our "Grace and Truth" series.
David Gooding will be conducting communion

If you are new to SBC...

Please stop by the welcome area on the middle floor.

Members of the welcome team wear **blue lanyards**. Come and enjoy a coffee and a chat.

The **prayer team wear yellow badges** and will be available during our services at the back of the hall.

If you know anyone who would appreciate pastoral support, please contact Rosey McFarlane on 07894 503174. For urgent prayer requests call Janette Buick on 07931 927 414 or email prayerchain@stirlingbaptist.co.uk

News & Events



Christmas Family Celebration

Sunday 23rd December @ 10.30am, Albert Halls

Join us for a morning of celebration at the Albert Halls for the day to gather as a whole church family to celebrate the birth of Jesus. The SBC choir and pop-up nativity will be back again. Creche will be available for children aged 0-3, all other children are invited to join for an all-age service.

Carol Service

Sunday 23rd December @ 7pm, Albert Halls

Come along and join us at the Albert Halls as we celebrate Christmas with this festive service. Enjoy the glorious singing from our SBC Choir.

Christmas Eve - Watchnight Service

Monday 24th December @ 11.15pm, SBC

Join us for a beautiful candle-lit Christmas Evening service with carols and a short message, a wonderful way to welcome in Christmas Day.

Christmas Day- Family Service

Tuesday 25th December @ 10am, SBC

Start Christmas Day with a family service as we celebrate the birth of Jesus and we get everyone involved with all the christmas festivities.

'Just Christmas' Gift Day - 16th Dec

Our 'Just Christmas' Gift day collection will happen today. Envelopes have been provided. Please do prayerfully consider whether you can set some money aside amidst the busy festivities to help CAP and all those they support.



Book Club

Tuesday 5th February, 7:45pm on the Middle Floor

Our next book is UNDIVIDED by Vicky Beeching. It is described as "an incredibly powerful, moving story about reconciling faith and sexuality". Feel free to join us to discuss the book in a relaxed and informal way.

Choir

Please come and join us as we prepare for our



Carol Service. Rehearsals are underway every Tues evening at 7:30pm in SBC. For more info speak to Iain McDonald.

XS Dates for the diary

XS is our group where over 50s can find company, friendship, coffee and a light lunch. Please be aware that we are finishing up this Friday 14th December and then we will restart after the christmas break on **Friday 18th January 2019**.

Weekly Prayer Event

'Prayer for the Community'
Wed 7:15-8am in Level One
Early Morning Prayer in Dunblane. Open to all. Every week through to and inclusive of Monday 17th December we'll be meeting at the home of Bill and Aileen Baird.

Under 25s

We have a range of programmes for our 0 -25s throughout the week. Check out the website for more info

KIDS (0 - 12 yrs)

Christmas Parties - Sun 16th Dec

Please note that children will not be returning to the 9:45am service today -Sunday 16th due to their Christmas Parties taking place. They can be collected from their usual rooms at 11am. (Bubbles - Taylor Room, Creche - McCallum Room and History Makers in the Family Life Centre)

YOUTH (12 -18 yrs)

Christmas Youth Social

Saturday 22nd December 7-9pm L1

An evening of fun, quiz's, games and food. Christmas jumper required for entry!
Booking via - bit.ly/sbcyouthsocialdec18
Any queries, please speak to Rob.

Community

A lot of our Community work runs from the Family Life Centre (FLC), The Haven and in Callander.

CAP Debt Centre Manager

Stirling Baptist are looking to appoint a CAP Centre Manager in a multi-church partnership covering postcodes FK1 - FK24. The post is Full Time, 37 hours a week and based at the Family Life Centre with the aim to set up the centre, offer debt advice whilst reflecting the christian faith and maintaining the core values of the charity. Please contact the Rab Donald to request an application pack - rab.donald@stirlingbaptist.co.uk. Closing date is the **31st December 2018**.



faith at home

Christmas is a great time to create family traditions, these also help to establish family identity, one of the keys to developing Faith at Home.

We would recommend having a look through this list of ideas from Godventure - godventure.co.uk/news/30-ways-to-celebrate-jesus-at-christmas/ and pick a few that you could try as a family this year.

Callander Services

During December services will not be running as per usual times and we will be supporting the various festive services. Normal service will be resumed in January 2019. Please contact Brian Gooding if any queries or for more details.



Start Up Stirling

Food Bank Current Needs:

Long life milk, tinned food (fish, meat, soup, fruit), jars of sauce. Cans still urgently needed.



Christmas Appeal underway:

- 1) Consider a Reverse Advent Calendar
 - 2) Host a Christmas Jumper day with funds going to Start Up Stirling
 - 3) Purchase a gift voucher for a family
- See <https://startupstirling.org.uk/donate/> appeal for more info.

Family News

Our thoughts and prayers are with Judi Hodgson and her family following the loss of her mother on Sunday.

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Giving

Stirling Baptist relies on the generous and faithful giving of the fellowship. If you would like more information, please contact our Finance Manager in confidence at finance@stirlingbaptist.co.uk

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