

Family Service

11am in the Sanctuary

Introit *Holy Holy Holy*

Silent Prayer

Call to Worship NAH 371

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
Amen!*

Invocation

Hymn 637 *All the Way My Saviour Leads Me*

Tithes and Offerings

Song *Give Thanks*

Youth Scripture Readings

Romans 8:28 and Ephesians 6:10-17
Charlotte and Matthew Marshall

Children's Time Pastor Jacques

Development Offering Barbara Clee

Family Prayer Terry Menkens

Scripture Reading 2 Kings 7:3-8 Grant Wragg

"The Power of the Cross"

Amanda, Annabelle, Beatrice,
Charlotte and Victoria

Sermon *Following Hard After God*
Pastor Jacques Venter

Hymn 528 *Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah*

Benediction

Reflection in Silent Meditation

Postlude



Sunset Times

Today: 3:54pm **Next Friday:** 3:52pm (Watford)

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2 December 2017

Welcome to
Stanborough Park Church



The grass withers, the flower fades,
But the word of our God stands forever.
Isaiah 40:8



Seventh-day Adventist Church
Stanborough Park
609 St Albans Road, Watford WD25 9JL

Morning Prayer Meeting

9-9.30am in the Maple Room

Sabbath School

9.45am

Welcome Victoria Balan

Hymn 422 *Be Still My Soul*

Prayer

Mission Story Stephen Moser

"Exaltation of Christ" Sangbin Jung and Fineas Ivan

Lesson Study *No Condemnation*

Mission Offering Anjali Moser

Hymn 420 *I Will Sing the Wondrous Story*

Closing Prayer Helen Lockham

Announcements & Diary

The flowers today are in memory of Brian Combridge, who blessed our worship with his organ music for countless years, and as a token of the love and sympathy of the church family to Romola, Nicholas, Melinda and the wider family.

The Family Ministries Prayer Basket is held by the Mall family. We invite the church to pray for Keith, Annie and baby Lilah. "Our prayer request is for God's guidance in our life as young parents, and for mental and physical health." *For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.* Romans 8:38-39

The funeral of Brian Combridge will take place here in the church at 11am this coming Monday, 4 December, followed by committal at the cemetery (flowers and committal for family only, please). Donations in lieu of flowers to the Peace Hospice are welcome.

Membership Transfer Second Reading To Stanborough Park: Pastor John Surridge and Mrs Moira Surridge from the Welsh Mission. Action to be taken today.

Lesson Books, Calendars and Devotionals for January 2018 Please order by next Sabbath, 9 December, for collection before the start of the new year/quarter. Order forms from Lorraine or at the desk.

The ABC shop in the BUC building will be open on two Sundays in December, 10th and 17th, from 10am-3pm .

Urgent: The Welfare department is in urgent need of non-perishable food such as packets, tins and jars.

The Teatime Concert last Sunday was a wonderful musical event as the sound of the organ filled the sanctuary and lifted our spirits heavenward with music by Bach, Mendelssohn and Liszt, concluding with everyone singing *Praise Him! Praise Him!* It was such a blessed afternoon. Thank you to everyone who supported this event, which raised over £1100 for the Development Fund. The Teatime Concert will be back on 28 January with a gifted young violinist, Charlotte Saluste-Bridoux. A native of France, Charlotte studied at the Yehudi Menuhin School and Royal College of Music.

Channel Swim Thank you if you sponsored Edward to "swim the Channel", 22 miles in 12 weeks at his local pool, which he completed in less than 10 weeks. Cheques may be made payable to ASPIRE, the spinal injuries charity.

Musical Mission This afternoon thirteen members of the Stanborough Park College of Music, staff, former and present students, will be taking part in a sacred concert in Croydon. Please pray for safe travel and God's blessing as they share their musical talents with the people of Croydon

The Singing Group will not be going out today.

Sabbath afternoon Bible Study today, 3.30-4.30pm in the Armstrong Hall, studying Paul's epistle to the Romans.

Tuesday Bible Study 10.30-11.30am in the Maple Room. All welcome to join us in studying the book of Hebrews.

Churches Together Carol Singing from 6pm this Thursday, 7 December at Asda Garston. Everyone is invited to join in to bring Christmas cheer to local shoppers. Details from Lorna and Denver Annable, 01923 673946, or email denverannable@yahoo.co.uk

The Soup Run on Friday 8 December will be led by Pat Walton and the driver is Chris Lucas. If you would like to go on the Soup Run, contact Pat on 01923 672500.

The Annual Stanborough Park Church Christmas Toy Service

Sabbath 16 December at 11am

Guest Baroness Thornhill

The Toy Service more than any other captures the irrepressible spirit of Christian charity so associated with Christmas time. The act of giving a toy for a child seems to touch everyone more deeply than other ways of giving, and the spirit of the Toy Service is one of giving.

This year we are particularly aware of a much wider age-range of people whose hearts would be especially uplifted by a gift freely given. With this in mind we are asking those who wish to give a gift to think of a person in their own group, an adult for an adult, youth for a youth and child for a child. Of course adults may well be involved with the children's choice as well.

It is important that can the gifts be seen so that they can be selected appropriately; therefore we request that gifts are not wrapped, please. Thank you.

Women in Prayer next Sabbath, 9 December. All ladies welcome to join us to praise God and share their experiences. Soup and rolls will be served afterwards.

Pancake Night 9 December at 5pm. Bring the children for an hour of fun and frantic games before the pancakes are served. All welcome just for the pancakes if you do not have the energy for the games!

Gluten flour is available from Pat Walton. Profits to the Church Development Fund.

Joy to the World! A contemporary carol service where we will sing, pray, create and, most importantly, rejoice! Because Jesus was born. Because we are going back to basics. Join us on 16 December at 4.30pm. We can't wait to see you there!

Prayer Corner

- Let us worship and praise God because of who He is and what He is – our Creator and pure love personified.
- Also this week, please remember those who are hungry in Britain.