

Skegness Community Church

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www.skegnesscommunitychurch.org.uk



While Jesus was having dinner at Matthew's house, many tax collectors and sinners came and ate with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they asked his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?"

On hearing this, Jesus said, "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. But go and learn what this means: 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners."

(Matthew 9: 10-11)

Please do join us for Worship as we continue to celebrate our faith in the outpouring of the Holy Spirit at **God the Father - God the Son & God the Holy Spirit**

In the Community for the Community

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Sunday Worship

10.30 a.m.

Worship Services
are also available on our
website

skegnesscommunitychurch.org.uk

and facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/skegnesscommunitychurch>

Details of this month's
preaching themes are available
in this newsletter. Our Worship
is led by Rev'd Ian Banks



Please note you can find this
newsletter on our website
and also on Facebook.

OUR MISSION PRAYER

Heavenly Father, we thank you for calling us in love to be your children. We pray that together we will **grow in love** with your Son Jesus Christ and with one another, that together we will continue to build up the Body of Christ as we **grow in service**, and that we may be so anointed and inspired by your Holy Spirit that through our love and witness all may at last be gathered into your marvellous kingdom of light, as we continue to **grow in numbers**.

Amen

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ABOUT THE *Skegness Community Church*

Skegness Community Church was set up in October 2008 by the retired Methodist Minister, Rev Ian Banks. Initially the Church was under the oversight and support of the Reffley Community Church of the Nazarene, King's Lynn. The Church of the Nazarene is an international evangelical denomination in the Wesleyan-Holiness tradition, and so in many ways is similar to the Methodist Church. In April 2015 we became a separate registered charity (CIO)(Charity Registration no. 1161383) and in March 2019 we were accepted as a fully organised in the Nazarene Church. In January 2020 we were released from the denomination and became an independent Church Community. At a General Meeting of the members held on 10th April 2022 a new Constitution was agreed as was the change of the name of the CIO to *Skegness Community Church*.

The new Constitution has been accepted by the Charity Commission.

Our **web site** is www.skegnesscommunitychurch.org.uk

PRAYER

Wherever you are we invite you to join with our Fellowship in prayer for each other and for the work of our Church. As part of your prayers we ask that you include our **Mission Prayer** (see front page).

As a fellowship we uphold each other in prayer and invite anyone to ask for prayer. Each day we remember those in special need.

Lord, as we continue to celebrate God in three persons; God the Father - God the Son - and God the Holy Spirit; the Holy Trinity, we pray that everyone will live their lives as they were created to live and so bring peace and understanding throughout the world. We pray that there will be an end to wars and exploitation and the constant seeking by countries and individuals to dominate. We pray for the people caught up wars and the threat of war around the world especially in Ukraine, Gaza, the West Bank, Southern Lebanon and the Middle East. Lord we pray for our own Nation, especially our Government. We pray for an end to division, and that those charged with the responsibility of serving others, will do so in ways that really do serve the people rather than their own interests. Lord we pray for all who are struggling financially, and those in our communities who are sick or hurting or sad right now and those who care for them. Lord we pray that we will all **Live our Lives for Jesus**, trusting You for every step of our earthly journey. Amen.

MEETING POINT COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Our Meeting Point Community Outreach is a base for our outreach into the community and involves a

Charity Shop where we offer a wide range of items; and a **Cafe** where you can relax over a cup of tea or coffee or a snack or main meal with dessert. The proceeds from these activities go towards the cost of maintaining and supporting our church here in Skegness in it's outreach to the community:

Opening Times: Tuesday to Friday 10 a.m. - 3.30 p.m.

Worship During June 2026

Worship Theme is **Live your Lives for Jesus,**

June 7,

Today our Worship will include the
Celebration of the Lord's Supper

The readings will be from
Matthew 9: 9-13 & 18-26
and Romans 4: 13-25

Our Theme today will be **Show Mercy**



June 14,

The theme for our Worship today is
Give Freely

The readings will be from
Matthew 9: 35 - 10: 8 and
Romans 5: 1-8

June 21, Father's Day

We meet for **Worship** with the theme
Do not be afraid

The readings will be from
Matthew 10: 24-39 &
Romans 6: 1-11



June 28

Our Theme today will be
We All Represent Jesus

The readings will be from
Matthew 10: 40-42 &
Romans 6: 12-23

**For your diaries - Birthdays:
Barbara Banks 5th; Alan Clark 6th; Elsie Banks 30th.**

A Message from the Rev'd Ian Banks

Many people still think in terms of Church as being something completely set aside from the world and our ordinary daily lives. Part of this may be due to the fact that most people think of the Church as a building. But Church is the collective word for the **people** who believe in and commit to Jesus Christ as their Lord and Saviour and so **Live their Lives for Jesus** and all that He stands for and has taught us. Church is anywhere and everywhere God's people live and meet.

Last month we saw how Jesus prepared His Disciples to continue His work on earth to bring all peoples everywhere into the Kingdom of God, not for His sake but for theirs. God created this world in which we all live, and He also gave us instructions on how we should live. I call this the maker's instructions. Only when everyone follows those instructions will there be peace and harmony throughout the world.

This may sound like it's impossible to achieve, especially when we look at all the wars and unrest around the world. We are even experiencing division and back-biting within our own Government. But with God anything is possible. So we must never give up hope. Yes it's an awesome task, but Jesus does not leave us to struggle with the task alone. Before Jesus left His Disciples He promised to send another "helper", who will show them what to do and enable them to do it. That "helper" is the **Holy Spirit of God**. This wonderful gift of the Holy Spirit has continued to pour into peoples lives ever since. We too are promised the "helper" and all we have to do is accept that great gift from God, and confess that Jesus is the Son of God.

Everyday we are challenged to **live our lives for Jesus, to show mercy, to give freely and to share our faith**. We are called by God to do this not just for ourselves, but for the sake of those who haven't yet acknowledged the love and power of the Lord. Jesus said, "Whoever acknowledges me before men, I will acknowledge him before my Father in heaven. But whoever disowns me before men, I will disown him before my Father in heaven". A very stern warning that we ignore at our peril! Standing up for our faith on our own is difficult, but we need to remember that Jesus said; "**surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age**". We are not alone so **do not be afraid**, remember that Jesus said, "Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from the will of your Father - so **do not be afraid**; you are worth more than many sparrows."

My dear friends let us all live our lives for Jesus, for the reward is out of this world. God bless you all.