

Jelly Beans: Monday, 11th March; "I spy with my little eyes"

Homegroups: check with your homegroup leader for this week's meetings.

The informal **Friendship Group** will meet again on Thursday at 2:30pm at Squires Garden Centre, London Road (A24), Washington, RH20 3BP.

Fellowship Lunch: After our Sunday service next week **17th March**, we will have a Lent Fellowship Lunch of soup & bread rolls. Do book this in your diaries now.

The next **Bread Stall** will be on Saturday 23rd March within the Village Market.

Pastoral Team: If anyone has or feels a need for help from the Pastoral Team, please feel free to contact John Watson or via the Church Office at any time.

There is also a box for prayer requests in the foyer of the village hall. Prayer cards for requests are available with the box.

Shopping online: Don't forget that you can support PBBC by doing your online shopping through :- www.thegivingmachine.co.uk/causes/pulborough-brooks-baptist-church/



If you would like to support the ministry of PBBC, there is an offertory box available on the table in the hall. If you are a tax payer we can claim 'Gift Aid' on your contribution. This is very easy to do, simply use one of the envelopes provided, or speak to Barbara for more information.

Church Information

If you would like to know more about our church, find out what it means to be a 'member' or arrange a visit from our Pastor, please complete a form and place it in the offertory box or contact the Church Office.

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Welcome!

MARKS of a HEALTHY CHURCH

Jesus said; “I will build my Church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it” (Matthew 16:18 NIV), and that is exactly what He is doing. The Church is the only institution that our Lord said that He would build and bless. The one redeeming work of God in the world, through Christ, is the establishing and building of the local Church, cheered on by a great cloud of witnesses (Hebrews 12:1).

The Apostle’s Creed speaks of the Church as the ‘communion of saints’. This refers to all believers past, present and future, who share a common salvation in our Saviour the Lord Jesus Christ. Those who have already passed from this world into the presence of Christ have the same salvation as believers who are alive today. Those who will come after us will have the same salvation we have.

The communion of saints is what each one of us has in common with all other believers. We have been forgiven through His death and saved by His life (Romans 5:10), set free from the law of sin and death (Romans 8:2) and passed from spiritual death to eternal life (1 John 3:16). We have all been permanently adopted as children of God by the will of God (John 1:12-13). We have become God's handiwork to do good works that He has prepared for us (Ephesians 2:10) and we have all been given an eternal home in the New Jerusalem in the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ (Revelation 21:22–27). These are only a few of the blessings we have in common with all other believers that make up the body of Christ. A healthy Church is one that recognises that it is not isolated, but part of a much greater body of believers.

David



Next Sunday, 17th March 2019

10:30am - Family Worship Service
Bringing God’s Word: David Howling

*Join us for pre-service prayer 9.45 - 10.15am
every Sunday, in the Rother Hall*

This is **Week 10** of the **Pulborough Village Prayer Rota:**

See <http://pbbaptist.co.uk/index.php?menu=downloads>

Further Ahead

On Sunday 24th March there will be another visit from a convoy of cars to the Lower Street car park. They are due at 11.40am and leave at 12.30pm for Storrington. The car park will be closed early that morning and access to Brooks Way from Lower Street will be closed ~10.30am. The barrier will be manned but they have been advised that we will be holding our service in the Village Hall.

Barn Dance - On 30th March, we will be supporting MacMillan Cancer at a Barn Dance at the Village Hall from 7:00pm to 10:30pm. Tickets cost £8 for adults & children and are available from Barbara. Bring your own drinks & nibbles!

The PACT Spring Lecture on 5th April at St. Mary’s, Petworth will be at **6:00pm** and presented by Damian Hinds MP, Minister for Education, on “*Developing Character Through Education*”.

Devoted to Prayer

Father God, as you guide us through the difficult days of Lent, encourage us along the way. We pray as we move towards the darkest day, that you'll not forsake us but remind us of our Saviour's ultimate gift and promise of new, abundant, eternal life for all who believe and trust in him, your precious son, Jesus.

Amen



“These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up.” **Deut 6:6-7**