

Some other Dates for your Diary:

Village Market - Bread Stall; Saturday 22nd April, 27th May, 24th June, 22nd July.

Jelly Beans Toddler Group, Meets from 10:00am on Monday mornings (term time) in the Arun hall. The next session will be on Monday 24th April.

Friendship Group, - Meet up for a cup of tea and a chat from 2:00pm-3:30pm on Thursday afternoons at the RSPB café Wigenholt.

Visit from the Pastoral Team: If anyone would like to receive a visit from the Pastoral team, please feel free to contact John Watson, Barbara Morgan, Jill Jones, Maureen Watson, or Karen Banner at any time.

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 at the entrance to 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.



If you would like to know more about our church and what it means to be a member, why don't you pick up one of our 'Get Connected' leaflets. That should tell you all you need to know about becoming a member of PBBC.



Church information:

If you would like to know more about our church or arrange a visit from our Pastor, please complete a form (available from the tea bar) and place it in the offertory box.

Our Pastor, Rev'd Dr. David Howling, can be contacted on 01903 741709 (please note that David is not usually available on Mondays)

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The Power of the Cross

Christ's Passion, Our Redemption

Welcome!



As you read the story of the good Samaritan, which of the characters do you most like to identify with? Like most people I'm only too happy to identify myself with the Samaritan. After all the English Oxford dictionary defines a Samaritan as a 'genuinely charitable or helpful person' and who doesn't like to be thought of as charitable and helpful. Several countries even have so called 'Good Samaritan laws' that oblige people to help someone who's been hurt. And there is nothing wrong with that, after all this is the lesson that Jesus wanted us to learn. That's why Jesus told the lawyer at the end of the story to go and be like the good Samaritan. The lesson is clear enough.

The problem is that if you see yourself as identifying with the Samaritan in this story, paying the bill for the injured mans recuperation becomes nothing more than an act of charity. But put yourselves in the position of the man lying beaten, robbed and left for dead at the side of the road and the story takes on a whole new dimension. No longer is it an act of charity but it becomes, in a very real sense, an act of salvation. In fact the whole story takes on another dimension when you look at it from the perspective of the ditch.

Just as the man in the ditch awoke in a hotel bed to find that his wounds were healed and his account settled, so when we realize the seriousness of our predicament and accept the Lord Jesus into our lives we find that the sin in our lives that we would otherwise be accountable for has been dealt with through the death of Jesus on the cross.

Accept Jesus into your life, and God writes against your name the three most beautiful words in the English language..... **Paid In Full.**

- *David*

Devoted to Meeting Together



Friday 14th April, Good Friday Communion service, 10:30am Village Hall.

Sunday 16th April, Easter Family Celebration Service, 10:30am, Arun Hall.

Thursday 20th April, the friendship group will be meeting at the RSPB Café, 2:00pm – 3:30pm.

Saturday 22nd April, Village Market, 900am -12pm Arun Hall.

Sunday 23rd April, Family Worship Service, 10:30am, Arun Hall.

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

Devoted to Prayer

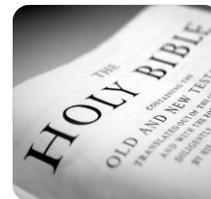
Jesus,

Today we pause to remember your sacrificial love
That shone light into the darkness
That bore life from such emptiness
That revealed hope out of devastation
That spoke truth through incrimination
That released freedom in spite of imprisonment
And brought us forgiveness instead of punishment.

Thank you that we can now walk in the light of your life,
Hope, truth, freedom and forgiveness,
This day and everyday.

Amen.

(a short prayer for Easter time from www.lords-prayer-words.com)



"At noon, darkness fell across the whole land until three o'clock. Then at three o'clock Jesus called out with a loud voice, "Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?" which means "My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?"

Mark 15:33-34