

Coming Up

Jelly Beans: 20th May at 10:00am – ‘Thank you for Nurses’

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.

The next **Bread Stall** will be on Saturday 25th May 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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Week 20

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Welcome!



The Ascension Relief by Donatello (1429)

There is one aspect of the post-resurrection life of Jesus that I think deserves a lot more attention than it gets and that is the final and culminating event of His earthly life – His Ascension.

The ascension matters because it marks the completion of our Lord's earthly ministry and the start of His universal worship for the rest of eternity. After finishing the work that His Father sent him to do on the cross, His resurrection from the grave and the forty days of teaching He gave His disciples, the ascension marks the end of His humiliation and the start of His exaltation (See Isaiah 53 and Philippians 2).

The ascension also marks the end of His limitations. Remember Christ emptied Himself of all the privileges of His deity at His incarnation. At His ascension He was restored to His limitless use of power. He was restored to His limitless intimacy with God. He was restored to the Glory that He shared with the Father before his incarnation (and much more besides).

Because of His ascension we have a great High Priest who has entered heaven, who understands our weaknesses, and who lives forever to intercede with God on our behalf (see Hebrews 7). Because of His ascension we have the Spirit of God, the Comforter, constantly with us and within us. And because of the Ascension we have new life and a new purpose; to proclaim the Good News in the power of the Word and the Spirit.

David



Next Sunday, 26th May 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 20** of the **Pulborough Village Prayer Rota:**

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

Looking Ahead

Jelly Beans update: From sowing seeds to tender green shoots, please pray that by God's grace we will cultivate relationships worthy of His blessing. Luke 8 v8 "Still other seed fell on fertile soil. This seed grew and produced a crop that was a hundred times as much as had been planted!" Thank you.

Big Church Day Out: If you are planning to go, the cheapest way is to buy your tickets through a group booking. The following link will allow you to buy your tickets through a group set up by the Hub. All you need to do is use the following link: <http://bcdo.group/2019/the-hub> and book your tickets on line. Weekend tickets are £28 for adults and £22 for children (5-16) Under 5's are free but will need a ticket.

Devoted to Prayer

Father, I thank You for looking beyond my faults and for loving me unconditionally. Forgive me when I fail to love others in the same way. Give me eyes to see the needs of the difficult people in my life and show me how to meet those needs in a way that pleases You. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



"The LORD your God is with you, the Mighty Warrior who saves. He will take great delight in you; in His love he will no longer rebuke you, but will rejoice over you with singing."
Zeph 3:17