

Coming Up

Jelly Beans: 17th June – “Thank you for – Firefighters”

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 22th June 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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16th June 2019

Week 24

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Worthy are you, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honour and power, for you created all things and by your will they existed and were created. **Rev 4:11**

Welcome!



Being a father is not easy. The Old Testament provides us with plenty of examples of men who, in many respects, were successful role models and great men of faith, but when it came to raising children, made a mess of it.

King David is a good example. David was a great soldier, talented musician, and a successful leader. He was someone who God described as a man after his own heart (1 Samuel 13:14, Acts 13:22). But when it came to raising children he was a bit of a disaster. Two of his sons tried to overthrow him on two separate occasions. The Scriptures clearly attribute David's failure as a father to his failure to challenge the behaviour of his two sons (1 Kings 1:6).

Even good men who served the Lord faithfully came to discover what men throughout the ages have come to know; that it is a lot easier to become a father than it is to be one. Time and time again studies have shown that children who grow up with active and engaged fathers are more likely, over their lifetimes, to achieve higher levels of education and earn higher levels of income. They are more likely, over their lifetimes, to adjust well to challenging situations. They are less likely to have depression and anxiety as adults. They are less likely to engage in risky activities like substance abuse. They are less likely to engage in criminal activity. Solomon was spot on when he wrote that the key to a prolonged, happy and productive life was to listen to your father's instructions (Proverbs 4:1-13).

But more than that; the reason why Fatherhood is such a battleground, is because the enemy knows only too well that when as fathers we get it right, it is one of the most powerful ways we have of showing what God is like.

David



Next Sunday, 23rd June 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 24** of the **Pulborough Village Prayer Rota:**
See <http://pbbaptist.co.uk/index.php?menu=downloads>

Looking Ahead

Do you eat bread? Yes – well how about supporting our loyal team of bread vendors at the bread stall on the morning of Saturday 22nd? Operating within the Market in the Village Hall, it offers bread, rolls (some with cheese!) and a range of other delicious products.

We have our monthly **Prayer Meeting on Wednesday 26th** in the Brooks Room of the Village Hall. Do make it a priority to come to talk to our loving, gracious heavenly Father.

Devoted to Prayer

Father God, help me every day to find faith in the midst of the chaos of this world. Give me the desire and ability to see You, hear You, talk to You and give thanks to You. And as I do, I pray that I will draw nearer to You and that my faith will multiply as I understand in new, deeper ways that You are so much more than anything I could ever hope for. Amen



“The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands. Day after day they pour forth speech; night after night they reveal knowledge.” **Psalms 19:1-2**