

Dates for your diary:

- Jelly Beans Toddler Group:** Next meeting: Monday, 9th July, **starting at 10:00am**
'Play in the Park'. *This is the last session for this term.*
- Friendship Group Meeting:** **RSPB Reserve, Wiggonhalt**, Thursday, 12th July, 2:30pm
Note change of venue for this and subsequent meetings.
- Village Market Bread Stall:** Next market: Saturday, 28th July.

Pastoral Team: If anyone feels a need for help from the Pastoral Team, please feel free to contact John Watson, Barbara Morgan, Jill Jones, Maureen Watson or Karen Banner or via the Church Office at any time.

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If you would like to know more about our church and what it means to be a member, why not 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 and place it in the offertory box or contact the Church Office.

Please note that David is not available until September 9th.

Please contact the Church Office, the Pastoral Team or Andy Twilley for pastoral matters.

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Week 27

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Welcome!



1 Kings 19: 1-18 God in Control

I wonder if you have ever been in a situation where you felt really good about what was going on and felt like you had everything under control only for it to seemingly fall apart in front of your eyes. At the end of 1 Kings 18, Elijah is on a high after defeating his enemies and converting people from their false gods to the One true God. So, when we reach chapter 19 we may confidently expect to see Elijah kicking on from where he left off. However, this isn't the case and instead we see the journey of a broken, scared and tired prophet running into the wilderness. Many people when reading this passage see Elijah's running away as a lack of faith in God and a sign of weakness. However, this Sunday I want to push back against that reading of 1 Kings 19 and instead suggest that the journey of Elijah (that we will look at) was not him running away but instead he was being taken on a journey by God. It was during this journey that God showed Himself to Elijah in 3 ways:

Firstly, God sustained Elijah, secondly God spoke to Elijah and finally God sent Elijah out to complete the work He had for Elijah to do.

This Sunday I would like to suggest that God is doing the same to us, not necessarily in the same ways, but that God is sustaining us, speaking to us and sending us out.

Simon

Devoted to Meeting Together



This weeks Home Groups

See your homegroup leaders for details.

Next Sunday, 15th July 10:30am

Family Worship Service

Bringing God's Word: Frank Hottenbacher

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

Soon:

The 'Petworth Voices' will be in concert at St Mary's Church 7pm for 7:30pm on Tuesday, July 17th. Tickets @ £10 (incl. refreshments) are available from Comyn & James (estate agents) or Alyson Heath.

Advance Notice:

'Rock – the musical' A production by Roger Jones about the life of Simon Peter on Sunday October 21st. We need more volunteers for the choir (rehearsals start in September) and overnight accommodation for others taking part. See Peter M for more detail.

Devoted to Prayer

“Father God, I lean on You because I know you care about me. Your strength supports me, Your love carries me. You are here for me: To help me through every pain. To be my eyes when I feel the need to turn away. To be my ears when I can't bear to hear what has to be said. To be my heart, always filled with hope and courage. Thank You Lord. Amen.



“In that day you will say: “Give praise to the LORD, proclaim his name; make known among the nations what he has done, and proclaim that his name is exalted””

Isaiah 12:4