

Some other dates for your diary:

Village Market - Bread Stall: Saturdays 23rd September, 28th October.

Note: No market in August.

Jelly Beans Toddler Group – Summer recess! Will re-start in September.

Friendship Group – Will *not* be meeting during August.

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 or via the Church Office 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 via the church office.

(Please note that David is not available on Mondays)

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13th August 2017

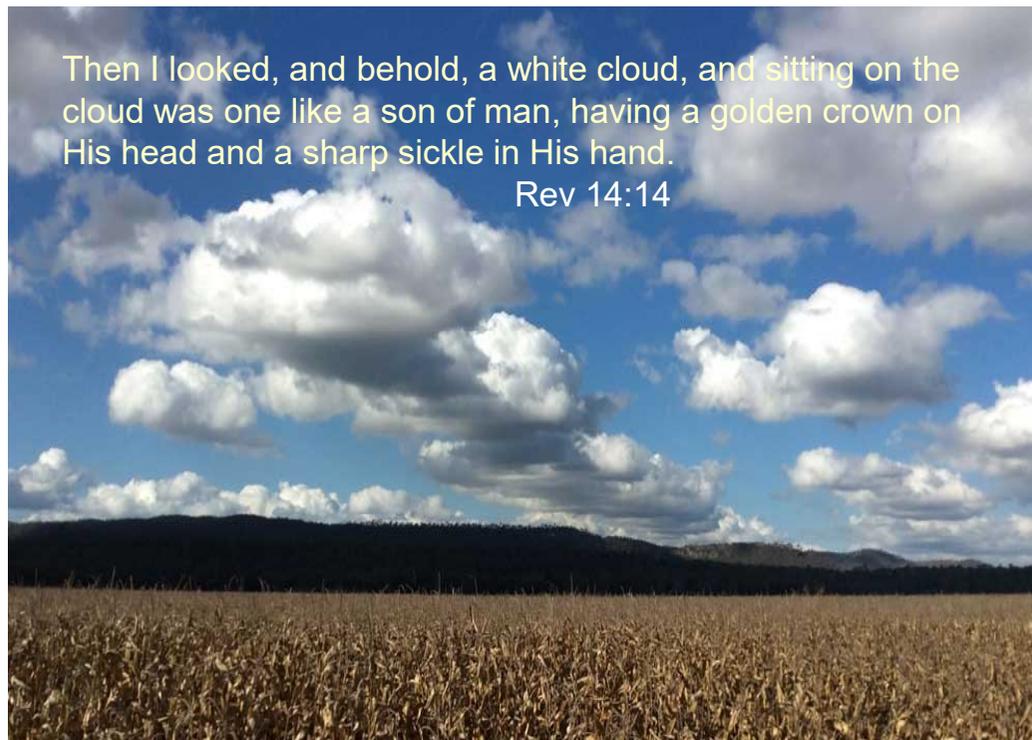
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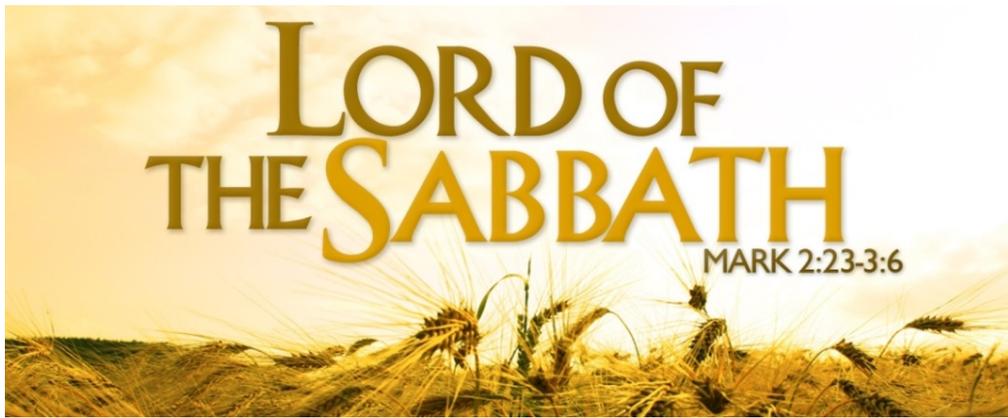


Then I looked, and behold, a white cloud, and sitting on the cloud was one like a son of man, having a golden crown on His head and a sharp sickle in His hand.

Rev 14:14



Welcome!



What happened with Jesus and the Sabbath is fascinating. Jesus felt free to heal, pick grain, and cast out demons on the Sabbath. These were all actions that, in the opinion of the religious leaders, broke their rules on what could be done on the Sabbath. At one point, when criticized about his lax attitude to such rules, he replied, "*The Sabbath was made to meet the needs of people, and not people to meet the requirements of the Sabbath*" (Mark 2:27 NLT).

His frequent criticism of the religious leaders of his time was that they crushed people with "*unbearable religious demands and never lift a finger to ease the burden.*" (Matthew 23:4 NLT) The Sabbath was meant to benefit people, to help them gain rest and to have a revived sense of God's presence. After all, two of the greatest needs that people have are rest and worship.

As Christians our 'Sabbath' is the 'Lord's day'. What we do on a Sunday is tremendously important. Just as the Sabbath gave Israel the opportunity to celebrate the freedom and rest from slavery in Egypt, so the Lord's day provides an opportunity for us to celebrate the freedom and rest from the slavery of sin that comes through a personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

The Lord knows that we are busy and the pressures of life can be unrelenting. He knows that we have got 'stuff' to do and He knows how important it is to us. That is why he has given us 6 days in a week to deal with it. But he has also given us a day in which we should feel free to leave it to one side so that we might focus on Him. We need to give God time to minister to our hearts, to encourage us, to strengthen us and to uplift us. We need to be intentional in our busy lives to make sure that we do this, in obedience to the fourth commandment.

David

Devoted to Meeting Together



Sunday 13th August,
Family Worship Service with communion
10:30am, Arun Hall.

Homegroups

Tuesday 15th at Peter & Jill's (Pulborough).
Any changes will be notified by the Homegroup leader.
Other groups are in recess for the summer!

The Friendship Group will NOT be meeting in August.

Sunday 20th August,

Family Worship Service, 10:30am, Arun Hall.

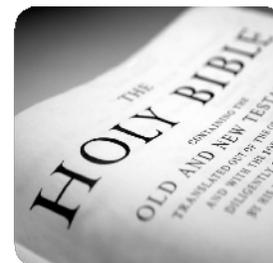
Men: Do join us for a gentle evening walk leaving at 7:30 pm from the car park of the White Horse Pub, Mare Hill Road, RH20 2DY on Monday, **August 14th**. Return to the White Horse ~9 pm where refreshments can be purchased. Contact Richard Hatt for more details.

BBQ: All are invited for a BBQ with Dave & Hazel at 22 Arun Vale, Coldwaltham at 3pm on **Thursday 17th**. **PLEASE** contact Hazel in advance at hazel.kirkwood@gmail.com or 01798 873153

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

Devoted to Prayer

Father God, enlighten my mind with truth,
in flame my heart with love,
inspire my will with courage,
enrich my life with service,
pardon what I have been,
sanctify what I am and order what I shall be.
Amen



"Are not five sparrows sold for two pennies? Yet not one of them is forgotten by God. Indeed, the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Don't be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows."

Luke 12:6~7