

**Jelly Beans:** Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> October at 10 am with a new & exciting programme entitled 'Tell Me a Story'. This Monday 'Three Little Pigs'!

**Homegroups:** Thakeham group meets on Monday evening  
Storrington group meets on Tuesday morning  
Pulborough group meets on Tuesday evening  
If in doubt, check with your homegroup leader.

**Friendship Group:** Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup> October at Squires Garden Centre at 2:30pm.

The next **Bread Stall** will be on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> October.

**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/](http://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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“See how the farmer waits for the land to yield its valuable crop, patiently waiting for the autumn and spring rains” **James 5 : 7**

# Welcome!



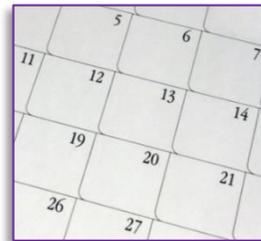
There is one more point that I wish to make as we bring this series to a conclusion and it originates from something that Mother Theresa once said; *“In this life we cannot always do great things. But we can do small things with great love!”* This is vitally important for us as a small church, because we can’t do everything, but the things that we can do, we should do with great love.

I think that there are three reasons why this is so important. Firstly because love encompasses the whole of the Law, it’s what Jesus has commanded us to do and it’s what distinguishes us as His disciples. God is love and it behoves us as His disciples to be like Him. God’s presence sets us apart from the world around us and it’s the love that we show to one another that demonstrates God’s presence among us (John 13:35).

Secondly, love is so important because without it everything else that we do is pointless (1 Corinthians 13:1-3). It doesn’t matter if the preaching is sound as a rock or the worship brings tears to our eyes, if it’s not done in love it counts for nothing. It’s not important how many programs we have or how many charitable efforts we embark upon, if there’s no love in it, it’s all for nothing.

Love doesn’t turn its nose up at poorly-dressed individuals who walk through the doors of the church. It offers a smile. Love doesn’t shut others out because they don’t see eye to eye with it on every possible theory. Love listens and seeks to understand, and when necessary, agrees to disagree. Love doesn’t take advantage of others willing to serve. It is kind and gracious and attempts to care for all. Thirdly, don’t forget, love is the only action that persists into all eternity (1 Corinthians 13:8).

*David*



*Next Sunday, 13<sup>th</sup> October 2019*

**10:30am –Family Worship & Communion**

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 40** of the **Pulborough Village Prayer Rota:**

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

### *Looking Ahead...*

**Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup> October:** We meet at 7:00pm in the Arun Hall at the Village Hall for part 1 of **Discerning God’s Vision for 2020.**

**Please note the change of day & time.**

**Friday, 11<sup>th</sup> October:** PACT lecture at St. Mary’s Church, Petworth. The Autumn Lecture by Davina Irwin-Clerk is entitled ‘A Day in the Life of a High Sheriff’. Including fractured families, marriage breakdown and children going into crisis, in a Christian context.

**15<sup>th</sup>~17<sup>th</sup> October:** Christian Resources Exhibition at Sandown.

**25<sup>th</sup>~30<sup>th</sup> October:** DH at *Make A Difference* at Newhaven.

The take-up of Diana’s offer to organise a trip to the waste **Materials Recycling Facility** at Ford (<http://www.recycleforwestsussex.org/ford-mrf>) has been disappointing so far. We need a minimum of just 8 folk (so only 2 cars necessary) before we can move forward and request a date. This promises to be a most interesting visit lasting ~2hrs and free of charge. Do contact Diana or Barbara if you’d like to go.



“Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others.”

**Philippians 2 : 3~4**