

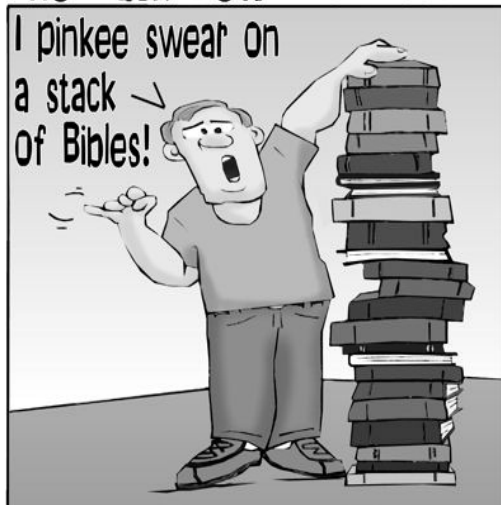
What a lot of coffee...!

Here's a message from **Lilly, Tony** and **Susan Becker** about this year's annual coffee morning to raise funds for Diabetes UK...

"We are delighted to tell you that £600 was raised during the Coffee Morning for valuable research into diabetes. We would very much like to thank everyone who made this possible - cake makers, helpers, supporters, contributors - it is a tremendous achievement and very much appreciated. Thanks Lilly, Tony & Susan"

And finally...

The Back Pew - Jeff Larson



But let your word 'yes' be 'yes', and your 'no' be 'no'. Anything more than this is from the evil one. **Mt 5:37**

Naming God

You have heard it said that 'talk is cheap...' well yes it can be. Some words are valued, others offered without thought. Perhaps you have heard things like this before...

"I will be with you in just a minute"
"I am sorry I was late, the traffic was horrendous"
"Of course I will pray for you..."

Any one of these statements can be perfectly true but who is to know if they aren't? Well God does for a start but consider this. If you live in a world of half truths that means the God whose Name is Truth is only in charge of half your life. The rest of it belongs to someone else. What can we do? Be honest where we can - sometimes a thoughtful and sincere 'no' means much more than a half hearted or meaningless 'yes'!

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If you have comments or contributions for the newsletter please speak to Tim Curry on 581285 or e mail news@broughtonchurch.org



Sunday 20th June

Welcome to Broughton Community Church

If you are visiting us for the first time you can find out more about who we are and what we do by looking at our notice board by the tea and coffee area or by visiting our website www.broughtonchurch.org

Today

Holy Communion - 10.30am

Join us as we remember the gift of life bought for us at the cross. As we celebrate the Holy Communion, let us humbly enter it and receive Christ afresh. Also this week **Aidan Vaughan** brings us his thoughts on 'Wealth, poverty and debt cancellation: how important is it?'

Prayer for all - 12.00pm

All are invited to join us after the service to pray for each other, our community and for God to be made known among us all

Prayer for all - 7.30pm

We gather as a church to pray for each other, for our community and for the world. But we also pray to know God more and to invite Him into everything that we do as a church. This week we are meeting at 24 King Edward Avenue.

Group - 7.30pm

For young people in school years 10-13 who want to go deeper with God by discussing relevant issues and studying the Bible. **Venue TBC**

All are welcome to join us after our morning worship for refreshments. If you need specific help the Prayer ministry team will be available after the service to offer confidential support and prayer



The week ahead

Tuesday

10.00am **Home Group** @ 13 Richmond Road. For more details please speak with **Sue Frankland**

7.30pm **Home Group** @ 68 London Road. Please speak to **Alison Corbould** for more information.

Wednesday

7.15pm **Youth Café**... drop in, chill out and take part in what God is doing in our community!

Friday

7.30pm **'Fridge'** is for young people in school years 7-9 who want to have fun and to keep their faith fresh with relevant Bible studies, discussions and social activities. This week they are meeting @ 40 Dover Hedge. See **Lizzie Sadd** for details.

Sunday 27th June

10.30am **Morning worship** – Mike Butterworth brings us his thoughts on 'The nation of Israel in God's plan today'

7.30pm **'Group'** for young people in school years 10-13 who want to go deeper with God by discussing relevant issues and studying the Bible. See **Lizzie Sadd** for details. **Venue TBC**

7.30pm **Prayer for all.** This is your opportunity to get to know God and each other as we join together to seek His will for His church and our community.

NEWS and Notices

Summer rota

Can *everyone* in the church family look to see what they can do to support our family as we gather to worship over the holiday period July through to September? Please speak to **Sue Becker** as soon as possible, particularly if you normally help but will be away for any of the above period. As ever we are always on the look out for people to welcome folk to our church, make refreshments after the service, operate the projector or just help set up or put away.

Garden party gratitude...

A message from Julie Lewers....

"A big thank you to everyone for their support to day at the garden party on Sunday 13th June - we raised £228 and enjoyed some fabulous weather and great company"

Remember that there are a number of opportunities like this to support one another, not just through our Sunday activities as mentioned above but also throughout the week. Whatever we do, we do it in the Name of Jesus Christ... and if it involves cake, all the better!

NEWS and Notices (cont.)

Strong beginnings...

Last week, the leadership of our church announced that we have committed as a church to running a series of **Alpha courses from September** in order to more deliberately share the Gospel and build relationships with the people we serve in our community. How will we support this?

Currently there are home groups meeting on Tuesday mornings and Tuesday evenings. We also run 'Captivating' and 'Wild at Heart' courses. The Leadership are asking all those involved in any of the above to pray and consider earnestly how they can gather to support this initiative by either hosting or leading an Alpha course. **The aim is to offer as many opportunities to our community as possible so we intend to offer Alpha groups on Monday, Wednesday and Thursdays. To deliver on this we need to identify the following as soon as possible:**

- **People who are willing and able to host a group at their home**
- **People to volunteer as leaders**

It is possible that you think you have nothing to offer. The Bible tells us that this is not what God thinks nor is it what the leadership of this church thinks. We believe that God has already placed the future of this community in our hands and in our hearts so please consider prayerfully and carefully what you can bring as your sacrifice of praise to our God who has already prepared good works for us to do. **Speak to Mike, Julie or any of PCC** if you have any questions or offers of help – contact details are overleaf.

Prayer Focus

As we draw to the end of our **focus on God's creation and His provision as a source of inspiration for our prayer life**, this week we look at His most precious gift to us – **His Church**.

The Christian Church is part of God's plan for the redemption of this world and we are all part of the solution, even though we are occasionally part of the problem! But we should not be discouraged nor give up the habit of meeting together because times are hard. Instead we must fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, and run with perseverance the race marked out before us.

This week, make time to pray – pray that God will break your heart for the things that break His heart; that you will see this community and yourself as He sees it; and that we would all learn through this church family what it is to be Sons and Daughters of the King. Remember in particular members of our church who are in need of your prayers right now

Silvia Ambrose

Alison Corbould

Ivan & Frances Parsons

Carol Botwright

The Curry Family

Mike Butterworth

Antony Golding

Peter Worrell & family