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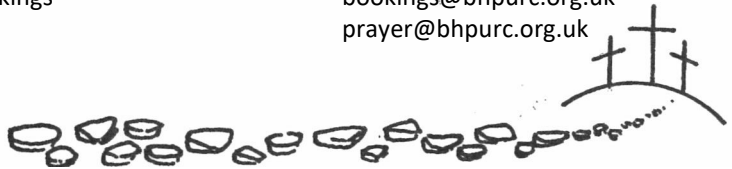
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We expect all of our leaders, volunteers and those who use our premises to share this commitment and value the support of those who worship here in achieving this. Park United Reformed Church believes that safeguarding is the responsibility of everyone and is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of all those who are vulnerable (children, young people and adults at risk).

Please visit <https://www.bhpurc.org.uk/about-us/safeguarding> for further information.

This month the Queen makes history

by celebrating her Platinum Jubilee. She is the longest reigning monarch in British history (70 years compared with Victoria's 63 years). Up until recently she attended church every week and did a full week's work!



Credit: Jacob King/PA Wire/PA Images

It is her commitment to serving God and the nation which stands out in her life. Even before she became Queen, she made a promise, which she has kept for over 75 years: 'I declare before you all that my whole life, whether it be long or short, shall be devoted to your service' (21st birthday broadcast, 21 April 1947).

What is the secret of the Queen's consistency of character and service? In 2002 she said this: 'I know just how much I rely on my faith to guide me through the good times and the bad. Each day is a new beginning. I know that the only way to live my life is to try to do what is right, to take the long

view, to give of my best in all that the day brings, and to put my trust in God.' Here are wise words from somebody who draws her strength from the Christian Faith and inspiration for those of us who want to make our lives count!

We join with millions across Britain and the Commonwealth who thank God for Queen Elizabeth's dedication, wisdom, and steadfastness over the past seven decades. For more details of what is happening at our church over the jubilee weekend go to page 10.

June is also time for the festival of Pentecost and Father's day. For more about what Pentecost

means go to page 17. For a reflection on different types of Fathers go to page 11.

We also have an update from Mark and Melanie on page 8 as well as our usual book club, Boys' Brigade and Girls' Brigade reviews later in the newsletter.

The Queen has been an example of joyful, wise, and generous service on behalf of others all

her life. Six months before her coronation she asked the nation and commonwealth to 'pray that God may give me wisdom and strength to carry out the solemn promises I shall be making, and that I may faithfully serve Him and you, all the days of my life.' Clearly, God has answered those prayers!

Lisa



Smile Lines

Maths lesson

The only place where you can buy 64 watermelons without anyone wondering why.

Don't fool me

A three-year-old put his shoes on by himself. His mother noticed the left was on the right foot. She said, "Sam, your shoes are on the wrong feet."

He looked up at her and said, "Don't kid me, Mum, I KNOW they're my feet."

Stairs

As you get older, you've got to stay positive. For example, the other day I fell down the stairs. Instead of getting upset, I just thought, "Wow, that's the fastest I've moved in years."

Raise needed

I told my boss that three companies were after me and therefore I wanted a raise from him. My boss asked what companies wanted me. "Gas, water and electricity."

Happens

Stress makes you believe everything has to happen immediately.

Faith reassures you that everything happens in God's timing.

Here is the News

Singers needed for anniversary choir

If you love singing, join the URC's 50th anniversary choir! We're looking for voices in a variety of styles, to reflect the diversity of the denomination, to sing at the Service of Celebration and Thanksgiving on October 1, at Methodist



Central Hall Westminster. Members of the choir will receive the music in advance and have a rehearsal day in central London and then a final rehearsal on the day at the hall ahead of the service. Lunch and refreshments will be provided. Please register your interest at <https://urc-news.org.uk/2JB1-1V1CX-6ZACU1-18GLKF-1/c.aspx>. For further information, please email the team at 50@urc.org.uk with the subject "Choir".

URC Moderator speaks out on asylum plans

On 14 April, the government announced plans to send some asylum seekers arriving in the UK to Rwanda. The Revd Clare Downing, Moderator of the URC General Assembly, has issued a statement



regarding recent developments around immigration policy, saying "to fail to speak out would be a denial of our gospel calling". Read more at <https://urc.org.uk/moderator-speaks-out-on-asylum-plans/>



Is 'reduce, re-use, recycle' your mantra, could it be? Lissy at A Rocha shares her 'low-waste living' journey so far at <https://arocha.org.uk/lissy-on-low-impact-living/>

Here's a snippet from the page, do click to read the full story.

I find it helpful to think in terms of being 'low-waste' rather than 'zero-waste', as sometimes the idea of needing to be perfect can put people off trying something in the first place. You might have heard the encouragement that being zero-waste is not about one individual trying to do it perfectly, it's about a hundred doing it imperfectly. I think this is a good way to approach anything – start off, have a go, and you will almost certainly be surprised at what is possible.

How big is your environmental footprint?

The planet is in crisis - from climate change to the pollution in our oceans and devastation of our forests. It's up to all of us to fix it. Take your first step with WWF's environmental footprint calculator at <https://footprint.wwf.org.uk>

Last summer our church members took this carbon footprint survey and the average of those who answered was 88% of the 2021 target of 10.5 tonnes per year. We hope to make this an annual survey so we can see improvements year on year so it's time to take the test again. When you have taken the test please email newsletter@bhpurc.org.uk with the percentage shown and do read the tips taking note of any actions you could make to improve your carbon footprint.



Challenge yourself to make a difference.
Download the my footprint app and take the survey.

Lisa on behalf of the Eco Church group

Dear Friends,

We thought you'd appreciate it if we dropped you a short note to let you know how it's going so far on the other side of the world!

Firstly, you'll be pleased to know that the weather (a great British topic) is very predictable in Suva – in that it is completely unpredictable! In our first two weeks here we had hot sunny weather every single day, so much so that we told the Fijians that we did not believe the stories about it raining every other day here.

This was a big mistake as we then went for a walk to find a local shopping centre, we got a little way down the road and then very quickly discovered what torrential rain really meant!

Since then it feels very much as if we have been in a cycle of hot sun and rain, but we have managed to work out a reasonable walking route to cool ourselves down once the heat of the day has eased a little – we're not sure if this will work in the long run though!

Secondly, we are settling into our new roles in different ways. Melanie has found it easier than Mark to deal with things as there has been a few minor issues to sort out straight away which has meant that she has been able to have useful conversations with staff.

Unfortunately, because of illness, bereavements and workshops in other locations (for other staff and consultants) Mark has not found it as easy to talk to his work colleagues about what needs doing.

We have both been working on our own induction programme, inviting other faculty members to share a coffee and chat with us so we can learn about their roles and how we might be able to work with them as the college moves forward with its plans to become a University over the next four years.

Thirdly, we have discovered that the world is a very small place.

We were in a supermarket on a Thursday evening recently when someone came up to us having recognized us from being in the church they attend the previous Sunday. After a short introduction we discovered that the couple we were talking to knew Sylvia Coombs (from Christ Church, Enfield) incredibly well, one of them having been taught by her and the other being looked after by Sylvia when she was a little girl! We have since found out that we will be working closely with them through their links with the Pacific Conference of Churches, amongst other things.

Hoping and praying that all are well, and remembering those who are no longer with us.

Mark and Melanie



The picture shows Rev Melanie and Rev Mark with the Principal of the Pacific Theological College, the Rev Professor Dr Upolu Luma Vaai. Picture taken by Theresa Fox



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Together with your family, you are
invited to our Jubilee Celebration
Ploughman's lunch

12 - 2pm
Sunday 5th June 2022



RSVP to Sylvia on 07973 406938 by text or call
(at a reasonable hour!)

Do let me know of special dietary needs
Soft drinks only available. Do bring your own bottle



Father's Day

Fans of the popular Star Wars films were surprised when Darth Vader said to Luke Skywalker "I am your father." This unexpected disclosure paved the way for future surprises in the episodes that followed.

Many times, Jesus surprised His hearers with parables that had unexpected twists and turns. No doubt He astonished the disciples when He first called God 'Father' and went on to instruct them to pray saying "Our Father in heaven..." . No one had called God 'Father' before!

Shortly before His arrest, trial and crucifixion, Jesus talked to His disciples about God the Father. He said: "In my Father's house are many rooms." This prompted Philip to ask: "Show us the Father, that is all we need." Jesus replied: "Whoever has seen Me has seen the Father."

Jesus knew this concept would be hard to grasp and so had to frequently speak about God as His Father. For three years the disciples had listened to profound teaching and witnessed miracles. They knew Jesus was different, but as His ministry drew to a close they were learning more about the special relationship that God had with Jesus.

On 19th June it will be Father's Day. This is an occasion to remember the role our dads are playing now or have played in our lives. Hopefully, we have good memories and recall times of loving care they showed to us.

Unfortunately, some people do not know their fathers, or they have been absent for long periods or may be neglectful, deceitful, or abusive. Sadly, some children and adults would rather not remember their fathers, having suffered some trauma or family breakdown.

It is good to know that God is not like this. Jesus came to reveal God as our Heavenly Father, who is loving, compassionate, merciful, forgiving, and caring. God is the model father who knows what is good for us and wants the best for us.

So, Father's Day can be a reminder that we are God's children, and that we can possess the blessings He has kept for us. In the story of our lives God has revealed Himself in a surprising way. He says to each one of us 'I am your Father'. Now that is something to celebrate!

The U in JesUs

Before U were thought of or time had begun,
God even stuck U in the name of His Son.

And each time U pray, you'll see it's true
You can't spell out JesUs and not include U

You're a pretty big part of His wonderful name,
For U, He was born; that's why He came.

And His great love for U is the reason He died.
It even takes U to spell crUcified.

Isn't it thrilling and splendidly grand
He rose from the dead, with U in His plan?

The stones split away, the gold trUmpet blew,
and this word resUrrection is spelled with a U.

When JesUs left earth at His upward ascension,
He felt there was one thing He just had to mention.

"Now go into the world and tell them it's true
That the love I have shown is not just for U."

So many great people are spelled with a U,
Don't they have a right to know JesUs too?

It all depends now on what U will do,
He'd like them to know,

But it all starts with U.

Author unknown

Diary

June

See also Prayer pages and back cover for regular activities

The full diary is also online at
www.bhpurc.org.uk/calendar



Sun 5th	10:00am 12 noon	Communion with David Moir Jubilee celebration
Sun 12th	10:00am	Parade with the Brigades
Sun 19th	10:00am	Worship with Anna Erikson
Sun 26th	10:00am	Worship with Evodian Fonyonga

Can you help our £5000 fundraiser towards a replacement minibus?
Please donate at <https://stewardship.org.uk/pages/bus>

**Next newsletter deadline:
Sunday 12th June**

All material for inclusion should be emailed to
newsletter@bhpurc.org.uk

Prayer Diary

JUNE 2022

Be kind and compassionate to one another,
forgiving each other,
just as in Christ God forgave you.

Ephesians 4:32

Wednesday 1st

Wellington Road

Thursday 2nd

Member of Parliament for Edmonton - Kate Osamor

Friday 3rd

The work of North Enfield Food-bank (we support them)

Saturday 4th

Sunday's Worship Leader and the service tomorrow

Sunday 5th

Give thanks for the Holy Spirit this Pentecost

Monday 6th

Alison

Tuesday 7th

For awareness of sanitation need globally

Wednesday 8th

Alberta Road

Thursday 9th

Local government decisions

Friday 10th

Elijah, our sponsored child in Zambia

Saturday 11th

Sunday's Worship Leader and the service tomorrow

Sunday 12th

Thanks for our ambulance, medical services and the air ambulance helping to save lives

Monday 13th

Andrew

Tuesday 14th

For the work of Toilet Twinning

Wednesday 15th

Amberley Road

Thursday 16th

Member of Parliament for Enfield North - Feryal Clark

Friday 17th

Those suffering from Multiple Sclerosis and the charities who seek to find a cure

Saturday 18th

Sunday's Worship Leader and the service tomorrow

Sunday 19th

Thanks for our young people and all children who visit our church and its buildings

Monday 20th

Anne

Tuesday 21st

For education around hygiene, here and across the world

Wednesday 22nd

Amberley Gardens

Thursday 23rd

Local government decisions

Friday 24th

Children and staff at Al-Shurooq School in Bethlehem who we

support as a church

Saturday 25th

Today's Worship Leader and the service today

Sunday 26th

Thanks for water, whether rain or from the turn of a tap

Monday 27th

Arthur

Tuesday 28th

Thanks for lives saved through Toilet Twinning and improved sanitation

Wednesday 29th

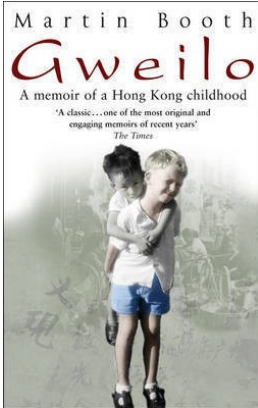
Bertram Road

Thursday 30th

Member of Parliament for Enfield, Southgate - Bambos Charalambous



Book Club



'Gweilo' by Martin Booth

Set in the 1950s, Martin's father is sent to Hong Kong to work for the Royal Navy. Martin is an only child and they take the long sea voyage together as a family. The book is autobiographical of his early life ('gweilo' - Chinese slang for European men), such informative years in a non-British environment.

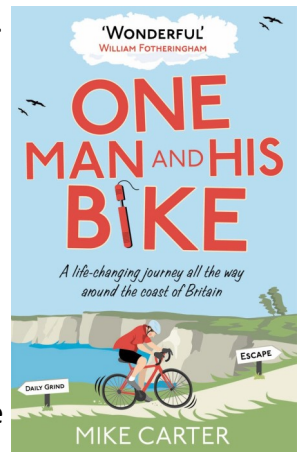
Martin and his mother eagerly embrace the Chinese people and their customs and are accepted by the locals; unfortunately his father is less accommodating. He considers his work in the Navy (a more minor admin role) very important and vital to the Service - a view not held by his down-to-earth wife!

Very descriptive writing, we learn a lot of the ways of the Chinese locals through his eyes - it was amazing how he was able to wander (aged 8) unattended around the neighbourhoods they lived in. You can visualise the flora and fauna on his adventures and the different cuisine; his experiences on that island so very different to those he would have had in England. His parents were such different people and, as such, his relationships with both of them.

We enjoyed this informative book, with a good thread of humour throughout.

Next month we meet on the 13th June. The book is 'One Man and his Bike' by Mike Carter.

Yvonne



Fire of Pentecost

“You shall receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you and you will be witnesses to me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria and to the ends of the earth” Acts 1:8

We all get tired and battle weary sometimes. The disciples of Jesus had just been through a three-year long roller coaster adventure with Jesus that had culminated in His death, resurrection and ascension into heaven.



The range of emotions would have been hugely taxing in the days leading up to Pentecost, as they remembered Jesus weeping in the garden of Gethsemane, betrayed by Judas, brutally beaten and crucified, and then dead and buried. Then there had been the shock and awe of finding out that He was alive again! But then He had left them again, to return to His Father. By the time the day of Pentecost arrived, the disciples would indeed have welcomed some fresh spiritual fire!

For us today, many of us have felt emotionally drained with the uncertainties caused by Covid 19, the worry of prices rising at an alarming rate, and now the pain and uncertainty of what will happen in the war in Ukraine.

So, what better day to pray for fresh spiritual fire for each of us? As we celebrate the outpouring of the Holy Spirit and birth of the Church, let us thank God that He will never leave us or forsake us.

China bans mentioning ‘Christ’ on the internet

The Chinese authorities have recently banned a church from using the word Christ on the Internet.

In the latest crackdown on religious freedom in China, the authorities picked up on the use of the word Christ in a WeChat post published by the Early Rain Covenant Church – a regular target for the Chinese authorities.

The church’s WeChat account ran a book review group where members recommended book titles and voted on their favourites. The latest posting included the Christian classics *The Imitation of Christ* by Thomas à Kempis and *Exposition of the Christian Faith* by Saint Ambrose.

But WeChat’s censorship team, prompted by new government regulations, fired back the following:

Chr*st. ‘The word “Christ” you are trying to publish violates regulations on Internet Information Services, including, but not limited to the following categories: pornography, gambling, drug abuse, incitement.’

So, in today’s China, it seems that Jesus Christ is lumped in with porn, drugs and rabble-rousing. So says Paul Robinson, the CEO of Release International, which supports persecuted Christians worldwide.

The tough new regulations intended to clampdown on churches using the Internet came into effect on 1st March, 2022. The ban prevents any organisation or individual from posting religious information on the Internet without first obtaining the permission of their provincial government. It bans religious groups, schools and organisations without valid permits from conducting online sermons.

The rules effectively ban any live streaming, publication of sermons, reposting of religious content or any form of online religious education without government permission – and thereby government control.

And it's not just Christians facing persecution in China...

China has been accused of committing crimes against humanity and possibly genocide against the Uyghur population and other mostly-Muslim ethnic groups in the north-western region of Xinjiang.

Human rights groups believe China has detained more than one million Uyghurs against their will over the past few years in a large network of what the state calls "re-education camps", and sentenced hundreds of thousands to prison terms.

A series of police files obtained by the BBC in 2022 has revealed details of China's use of these camps and described the routine use of armed officers and the existence of a shoot-to-kill policy for those trying to escape.

For the full story visit the BBC News website: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-asia-china-22278037>



Getty Images, from the BBC News story

The Uyghurs are the largest minority ethnic group in China's north-western province of Xinjiang

The God of Do-Overs

Some people need a do-over from God because guilt has been squeezing the hope out of their lives. That was the case with a woman who wrote to me about the turbulence in her life.

She explained that several years ago she had been living with her boyfriend when she got pregnant. Even though she wanted the baby very much, her controlling and domineering boyfriend talked her into having an abortion. Later he abandoned her.

"For years, I was miserable," the woman wrote. "I was ashamed of myself for not being strong enough to stand up for myself or for my baby."

That's what guilt does. It tries to convince us that our wrongdoing disqualifies us from ever starting over. Guilt robs us of hope. It tells us we're not just people who have failed, but that we're failures as people and therefore beyond redemption.

A stifling sense of remorse haunted this young woman until she didn't know where to turn. Finally, in desperation, she turned to Jesus Christ and implored Him for a do-over. And what happened amazed her—He not only forgave her and wiped her slate clean, but He helped her through the process of healing her emotions as well.

Now that God has renewed her sense of hope, it's like the darkness has lifted and a new day has dawned. Just before she was baptized as a new follower of Jesus, she wrote: "I can't thank God enough for all the grace I have received from Him."

I had the privilege of baptizing her in front of a crowd of several thousand people. By her participation in that sacrament, she was declaring to the world that this God who gave her a new beginning is the God she wants to follow forever.

And if your own life is weighted down with guilt—shame over a marriage that went bad, or kids who've gone astray, or promises to

God that you've broken—then maybe it's time for you to ask Jesus Christ for a do-over.

The question isn't, "Will He give me one?" The issue isn't, "Does the magnitude of my wrongdoing make me ineligible?" The extent of your foul-ups has never been an impediment. Romans 5:20 says, "Where sin increased, grace increased all the more."

Jesus Christ has publicly declared Himself ready, willing, and able to grant you a do-over; the real issue is whether you have the humility to ask Him for one.

From the Lee Strobel devotional
via BibleGateway.com

Cost of living crisis

This month, millions of households in the UK will be pushed into fuel poverty as the higher cost of energy really begins to bite.

So warns CAP (Christians Against Poverty). "Now more than ever, people in financial crisis need urgent help." CAP uses the example of Jayne, a single mum who fell into debt after her dad died. Jayne tells how her life became an endless cycle of debt, misery and fear.

In desperation, Jayne phoned CAP for help. A few months later, she is on her way to becoming debt-free, and meanwhile she has become a Christian, joined a local church, and has developed money skills for life. As CAP explains, this means that Jayne is now far better prepared to withstand the growing cost of living crisis this autumn.

If you would like to help those in need, or if you need help yourself, please go to:
<https://capuk.org>



Prayer

Prayer for June 2022

Heavenly Father,

Thank you for the beauty of the world you created,
so evident in this lovely month of June.

We bring before you, in prayer, those events going
on in the world which are so difficult to understand.
We pray for all your children who are suffering in
any way, especially those affected by war. Please,
Lord, comfort them, assure them of your presence –
and deliver them from evil.

May we appreciate each day which you have made.
Help us to rejoice and be glad in the gift of each
new day – and to trust you for all our tomorrows,
knowing that in you alone is our security.

In Jesus' name. Amen

By Daphne Kitching

Ed: If you have a prayer you would like put in the newsletter instead
(or indeed as well as...) do email it to newsletter@bhpurc.org.uk.

If you would like prayer for yourself or family and friends please email
prayer@bhpurc.org.uk

Girls' Brigade News

We currently have 10 girls age between 5 & 10 regularly attending on a Wednesday evening which is really encouraging.

At the June parade service we will be handing out the badges for the topics the girls have been working for since starting back after covid.

In Spring '21 we looked at "Faith" which included the story of Daniel in the Lions Den, Jesus feeding the 5000, and the parables of the Prodigal Son & the Lost Sheep

After Easter '21 we explored "Kindness" and studied women from the bible, Dorcas, Esther, Hannah, Mary & Martha, and Ruth.

From September to October 2021, we looked at "Courage" looking at the story of Paul and the work of missionaries. Our Rev. Mark came along one evening to talk to the girls about missionary work.

From November to December, we followed a course on "Compassion" and the Story of the first Christmas. From January to February '22 we looked at "Love" which include the story of Ruth in detail.

In March & April we studied the Lord's Prayer which will allow the girls to be awarded their "Thankfulness" badge.

This term we have been looking at the work of the Queen so the girls will be awarded a "Queens Jubilee Badge".

Each week we have games and do craft work relating to the subject taught.

I am grateful to Vicky who is helping us out with games and craft work, and, of course, we would not be able to run without Chris, Sue & Margaret.

Thank you for your prayers,
God Bless,
Lynda

Boys' Brigade News

Our awards night marks the end of the uniform session and the beginning of the summer session. In this year's awards Taejah received the bandsman award whilst Tom was named smartest NCO and Alex was the smartest Private.

Just as an incandescent blub brightens a room the sun glazes over the skies at night, which can mean only one thing... Summer is here! This means our non-uniform summer session gets under away accompanied by the count down to camp. Following our awards night we got into the swing of things with a game of Danish Rounders over Bush Hill Park before heading back to the church where the interior of the hall is transformed into a Wolleyball court. As usual there was some continuity issues with the referee's interpretation of the rules, which were applied flexibly. But it wouldn't be a typical game of Wolleyball without some controversial refereeing decisions.

The second week of the summer session was a trip to Laser Quest, the ultimate laser adventure in Enfield. In the Battle for supremacy, set in the future, there can only be one winner. Only one can be shown homage at the end. The lights, sound effects and smoke effects create a futuristic zone for everyone to tactically face off against their opposition with laser guns and packs.

Other actives we do in the summer include a challenge night with tests of cleverness and logic. These challenges range from making the tallest self-supporting structure with limited materials to getting a series of different sized round objects to land in a container from a medium distance away. Jump In trampoline park, I have a phobia of trampolines... I can't help it; they just always make me jump! Having training in trampolining could always leave you with a career to fall back on, if you do lose your job, it could help you bounce back!

One Monday we head over to Whitewebbs for the annual Whitewebbs events. This can range from navigation challenges to skill games. The selection of games we do does change and sometimes includes memory and teamwork games. Such as trying to complete a spot the difference from opposite sides of a brook. Each year at Whitewebbs, there is one thing you can always count on it's an avalanche of water as someone falls of the rope crossing causing a monumental splash! Another good off-site activity which is enjoyed by all is the high ropes course. A carefully arranged course with increasing levels of height and difficulty. From narrow rope sections to tyre crossings the high ropes course has it all. One thing that leaves many with a look of contemplation on their faces is the leap of faith. A jump from one platform to another across a break in the course.

This then brings us to one of the most anticipated Monday nights in the BB Calendar. The words that render many frozen with excitement, that's right... it's the Monday of the Camp meeting. The night kicks off with a few games of Pirates. We all know Pirate's favourite letter is r and they take years to learn the alphabet because they get stuck at c, but the Pirates we play is more of an obstacle chase, with no two people allowed on the same piece of equipment at the same time and if you're caught or touch the areas outside the course you're out. After this we have the Camp meeting. As the bright yellow sun fades to a mystical mauvey -peach sky all those going to camp gather for the big reveals. This is the Monday when the boys find out the theme for camp, the tent challenges and their tents. This is when you know Camp is just around the corner.

In the weeks that follow the camp meeting we usually go to the white-water raft centre for some white-water rafting, kayaking or paddle boarding. We also host our annual jumble sale and finish off with Danish Rounders over Bush Hill Park before coming back for a BBQ Special. Then there's the load up and we're off to Camp!

Joseph

Wordsearch

This year Her Majesty The Queen became the first British Monarch to celebrate a Platinum Jubilee marking 70 years of service to the people of the United Kingdom, the Realms and the Commonwealth.

Celebrations will include **The Queen's Birthday Parade (Trooping the Colour)** on 2nd June when more than 1,400 parading soldiers, 200 horses and 400 musicians will come together. Beginning at Buckingham Palace, the Parade will move down The Mall to Horse Guard's Parade, joined by Members of the Royal Family on horseback and in carriages. The Parade will close with the traditional RAF fly-past, watched by The Queen and Members of the Royal Family from the Buckingham Palace balcony.

Platinum Jubilee Beacons: The United Kingdom's long tradition of celebrating Royal Jubilees, Weddings and Coronations with the lighting of beacons will also continue. Over 1,500 beacons will be lit throughout the United Kingdom, Channel Islands, Isle of Man and UK Overseas Territories.

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soldiers	Horses
Buckingham	
palace	balcony

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Other local church activities

Weekly

Day	Time	Activity	Location
Sun	6.30pm	Service (1st of the month is Café style, 4th of the month is Contemporary with the band)	Lancaster Road
Mon	10am	Ladies Bible Study	Living Room
	7.30pm	English Conversation Club	Living Room
Tues	10am	Tots and Toys	Gospel Hall
	1.30pm	Open House (Coffee and Chat)	Living Room
Wed	9.45am	Bible Study (Fortnightly)	Lancaster Road
	10am	Prayer (Fortnightly, alternates with above)	Lancaster Road
	2pm	Wednesday Fellowship (Talks from a variety of speakers, see Margaret Barbour for detail)	BHP Methodist
Thurs	1pm	Back to Life (Support Group / Board Games) starts with lunch	Living Room
Fri	10am	Shoppers Coffee Morning	Lancaster Road
	4pm	EPIC (Club for kids in years 3-6)	Gospel Hall
Sat	9am	Breakfast Club (1st and 3rd of the month)	Christ Church

Other activities take place monthly or fortnightly. See the following websites for details:

Lancaster Road - www.lancaster-road-urc.org.uk

Christ Church - ccurc.org.uk

BHP Methodist - www.bhpmethodist.org.uk

BHP Community Church (Living Room and Gospel Hall) - www.bhpcc.org.uk

Weekly Activities

Monday 6.15pm Boys' Brigade Junior Section
 7.30pm Boys' Brigade Company Section
 10.30am Book Club (Once a month, see inside for date)

Wednesday 10:00am Toddler Group
 6.30pm Girls' Brigade

Thursday 10.30am Friends Group (2nd & 4th Thursday)
 7.30pm Boys' Brigade Company Section circuit training (when advised)

Friday 6.00pm Boys' Brigade Anchor Boys

Sunday 9.30am Prayers (3rd Sunday)
 10.00am Worship with groups for children and young people (Communion 1st Sunday)

Please check the church website to confirm if the activity you want to go to is going ahead. www.bhpurc.org.uk/calendar

