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i and welcome to Jubilee church,

As we continue our **Dangerous Revolutionary** series looking at different aspects of Jesus's personality, the next subject for consideration is his **extravagant generosity**.

Mike Gilson will be looking specifically how this relates to Jesus in his sermon this Sunday. But by way of general introduction, I just want to give you a simple illustration.

Many years ago, Ruth and I were invited to a wedding in San Diego California. And at this stage of our lives, as Newly Qualified Social Worker and Teacher respectively, we were shall we say of slightly limited means. As a result, we managed to book a cheap flight and then the bottom of the range car hire out of Los Angeles. This was slightly disappointing as the prospect of driving around California in the equivalent of a **Honda Accord** did not hold a great deal of appeal.

However when we arrived at Hertz car rental at LAX, all the Honda Accords had (oh joy of joys) had all been hired out. And so in a slightly bizarre arrangement, we were offered the equivalent of a 3 car upgrade either for free or for the price of 1. So to my utter delight (Ruth slightly less so) we drove out of LA Hertz rental in a brand new white Chrysler Le Baron convertible with just 3kms on the clock!





What an utterly bonkers car. Huge bonnet, massive engine, heated seats (very rare in those days) and a miniscule boot. So we drove down the Pacific Highway in the empty car pool lane with the top down feelina quite literally like a million dollars. It's a silly story in many ways but it speaks to me of expecting little & receiving much.

How often this proves to be the case as we live out our lives with God on a daily basis.

> Dave Webb-Peploe, Lead Flder

BAGS OF FOOD

jubileechurchshepperton.org/bagsoffood



We continue to receive a steady stream of food donated by the local community and we are so fortunate to have such support. Cash donations of varying amounts also continue. Rotary Shepperton Aurora presented a cheque for £340 in addition to their food collections outside members' homes.

These resources enable us to provide a good amount of long-life and fresh foods to those who really appreciate the difference it makes to them at such challenging times.

New posters are on display around the area and leaflets have been delivered to a large number of homes in the area as we reach out to help more families. Please pray that we grow our capacity to support our community in response to this.





We provide people with a variety of fresh foods, as shown here

The Jubilee Centre remains open (9.00am-4.00pm) but in the event that no one is there we have a box in the porch where donations can be placed.

We are currently in need of:

- Tinned vegetables large or small (excluding tomatoes or pulses)
- Tinned meat meals
- Laundry products eg.
 Laundry tablets or liquids

- Squash
- Sweets / chocolates
- Packets of instant custard (much lighter to pack)

GIVING

One of the ways we like to worship the Lord at Jubilee Church is through our regular giving.





For many people reading this you currently like to give via BACS or Standing Order but we also receive cash donations each week through the collection baskets on Sunday mornings.

Without our usual Sunday

service we are unable to offer the opportunity for people to give cash donations to the church in the usual way, which will lead to a reduction in our regular income. However there are a variety of ways you can still give to the church.

To find out how you can continue to support the life of the church <u>please click here and visit our website</u>.

We also realise that people's own financial circumstances could be affected both now and in the coming months, and completely understand that you may need to consider reducing your regular giving. Please email finance@jubileechurchshepperton.org to let us know if you need to make any changes or if you have any questions about giving to Jubilee Church Shepperton.

JUBILEE KIDS

Every week Jubilee kids are receiving an 'Activity Pack' full of fun things to make and colour in. If you would like to your children, grandchildren to get involved with what Jubilee Kids are doing then please email the office we will gladly drop of an activity kit for your kids to enjoy.



Alternatively you can Click here to visit the Jubilee Kids webpage on our website and be able to download some of the weekly activities there.

You can expect to find crosswords, word searches, 'spot the difference' and much more.

OAKTREE CAFE

Oak Tree Cafe is the name for our mental health adult support group which normally meets at the Jubilee centre for cake, craft and conversation from 7 til 9pm on Wednesdays.



During this time we currently meeting on Zoom, accessible via the internet or via an App, meeting number **851 500 242**, or you can dial in via **0208 080 6592**. We chat, play games and may even do some arm chair pilates!

All welcome!



Jubilee Church Shepperton is the working name of Shepperton Community Church (Registered charity number 1023505). We are part of Commission, and a member of the Evangelical Alliance.



Commission is an international family of churches united by a shared passion for Jesus and his mission, and a clear vision to see 'thousands of lives transformed through hundreds of churches in tens of nations'. Commission is led by Guy Miller with teams of leaders and is enthusiastically part of the wider Newfrontiers family of churches.

LET US PRAY...



'Lord Jesus, in your revelation to John when he was on the island of Patmos you caused him to write about your Father's throne in heaven in 17 of the 22 chapters.

Lord God, you are unfazed by earthly upheavals. There is not a ripple in the sea that surrounds your glorious throne (**Rev 4:6**). You reign so supreme that world history to you is merely 'what must take place' for your kingdom to come and your name to be glorified (**4:1**).

Lord, stir hope in our hearts, and help us pass this hope on to others. Help us to reassure them from your word that you are on your throne. Help us to tell them that you are pursuing your plan to call the world to worship your Son and respond to his salvation call.

Lord, help us realise and tell others that today's big news stories are pointing us all to something bigger - about the message of Jesus that changes everything for everyone.

Amen.'

(idea and words borrowed from Phil Moore in Christianity magazine, May 2020)

You may like to use the following ideas as a pattern for continued prayer as the weeks pass by:

- 1. Pray for your household
- 2. Stay calm
- 3. Keep watch
- 4. Encourage one another
- 5. Show God's love
- 6. Pray for our leaders, and heed their advice
- 7. Pray for those who are suffering
- 8. Pray for Christians and other religious groups experiencing persecution
- 9. Pray the pandemic will end

Brought to you by Mike Gilson.