

1st November 2020

Hello and welcome to Jubilee Church.

As we were awaiting our third child, Ruth and I were in a dilemma as to what we should name him or her. There was a whole load of excellent options for a suitable girl's name but a boy's name seemed much harder to track down. I came up with the totally inspired name of Gideon but this was massively vetoed by the rest of the family. Some of the criticisms were that it was too odd, too unusual and even that it was a rather wet boy's name.



As **Gideon** worked away in his winepress threshing corn in the book of Judges, I do wonder whether he felt a bit odd, unusual and wet. The circumstances and later dialogue with the angel suggest that he did. Time for a divine character makeover (a la Tranny and Susannah but a bit less skin deep). Stephen Morris takes us through this makeover in his sermon on Sunday and looks at Gideon's initial calling to divine service. There's a great combination of challenge, affection and encouragement in God's dealings with Gideon. Might he have similar intentions for us as we face today's challenges?

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BAGS OF FOOD

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Bags of Food has had another busy but exciting week. On Monday we provided food for **16 families comprising 67 individuals**. The increased need reflected some of those families who needed help during half-term when their children did not get free school meals.

Donations have been coming in at an amazing rate this week as the national news has focussed on families who are short of food at this time. On Monday alone, we had food and financial gifts from **Church members, neighbours, the Rotary Clubs** and other members of **the community**. Throughout the week, this has continued.

We continue to be supported by local businesses such as **BP Express, Daines and Gray** butchers and **Jack's Fish and Chips** in Laleham Road have donated vouchers for children (and their families) to get a free Kids meal.

We continue to praise the Lord for meeting our needs week by week. **Please continue to pray** for those we support, their wellbeing, and the health of the volunteers.

We continue to need:

- Tinned meat meals
- Cakes (long shelf-life)
- Angel delight
- Tampons, sanitary towels
- Laundry detergent (liquid or pods)
- Bleach

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.

Co-op have chosen Bags of Food as one of their local causes for the next 12 months of their **Co-op Local Community Fund!** If you're a Co-op member select "**Bags of food project**" as your local cause then whenever you buy selected Co-op products and services they'll make a donation to Bags of Food. Look at the TV screen by the till in the Shepperton store and you can see how much you've helped raise so far. You can shop at any Co-op store, not just the Shepperton one, so let your friends and family know too!



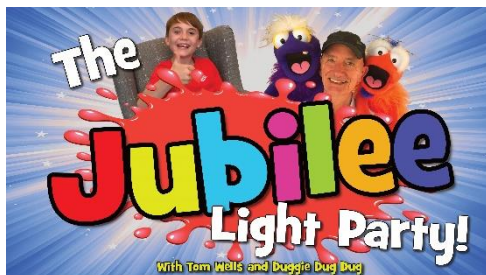
It's what we do

If you are not a member of the Co-op, it costs £1.00 to become a member and you get rewards for yourself when purchasing Co-op own brands and if you nominate Bags of Food as your charity, we get money as well.

If you are a member but do not have access to the internet, you can still nominate us by ringing 0800 023 4708, Option 6, have your membership number ready and be patient while waiting for someone to help you.

JUBILEE LIGHT PARTY

Following the awesome Jubilee Kids Show a few weeks ago **Duggie Dug Dug** and **Tom** are back! This time they'll bring us **The Jubilee Light Party!** On a day that can be quite dark and scary it's full of fun, crazy science, songs (keep your eyes peeled for some familiar faces) and a great message. A really fun show to share with family and friends. It'll premiere on our YouTube channel at 4pm on Saturday 31st October.



SUNDAY MORNINGS GO LIVE

We hope you enjoyed the first livestreamed service last Sunday. Thank you for all your prayers, the service and technology worked really well. We're excited about this new way of doing church together on Sunday mornings and will be continuing to make improvements and try new things over the coming weeks.



Please continue to pray that all the technology comes together each week without any issues, for the team working on the day and protection for everyone involved.

PRAYER MEETING

Following the success of the prayer meeting 2 weeks ago, this coming week's **Prayer Meeting will again be held at the Jubilee Centre on Monday 2nd November at 8pm, with a live zoom connection for those who would prefer to link in from home.** We've worked out how you at home can hear the worship clearly this time. Sorry about last time! And for anyone who wonders if zoom works like this, it really did last time. It was great.



All covid safeguards will be in place so if you're coming along, you'll need to wear a face covering, check in, keep a 'social distance' and use hand sanitizer on arrival. If you have any questions do get in touch with Mike or Carnie. We look forward to meeting together to pray once again.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

Next Sunday is **Remembrance Sunday**. While the usual parades won't be taking place this year we will still be marking Remembrance Sunday in our service next week and laying a wreath at the Shepperton War Memorial in a safe and appropriate way.



We are also supporting the **Poppy Appeal** and Poppies are now available at the Jubilee Centre, we also have pins, wristbands, zip poppies and bracelets.

SHOPPING ONLINE

If you're shopping online don't forget to use Amazon Smile or easyfundraising and raise money for Jubilee Church at the same time, without any additional cost!



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Shop at Amazon via **Amazon Smile** and they'll make a donation to Jubilee Church, get started here: <https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1023505-0>



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Sunday 1st November

10.30am: Morning Worship (on YouTube)

Preacher: Stephen Morris

Theme: Flawed Heroes: Call waiting (Judges 6)

Previous Sunday messages and worship can be found on our [YouTube channel](#) if you'd like to catch up or watch again.

This week's diary

Most groups are currently meeting online, although some are meeting in person in line with current guidance. Contact us if you'd like to join any of our groups.

Monday 2 November

8.00pm Prayer Meeting

Thursday 5 November

FAITH - Youth Home Group
Home Groups

Tuesday 3 November

8.00pm Focus Bible Study
Home Groups

Friday 6 November

10.30am Bubbles Baby Group
Themba

Wednesday 4 November

7.00pm Oak Tree Cafe
Home Groups

Saturday 7 November

Addiction Recovery Group

Apologies if any groups have been missed off this week's diary, do get in touch if you'd like to be included in future.

Next week: Sunday 8th November, Remembrance Sunday

10.30am: Morning Worship (on YouTube)

Preacher: Matt McLaren

Theme: Flawed Heroes: Into battle (Judges 7)

STAFF DAYS OFF: Dave Webb-Peploe: Wednesday, Jo Jones: Friday

WORKING DAYS: Jenny Wilsher: Monday, Wednesday and Friday

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