

11th June 2021

Hello and welcome to Jubilee Church.

A few years ago, there was a BBC TV series entitled 'In the footsteps of Alexander the Great'. It was especially appealing to me because it encompassed two of my favourite subjects, history and geography. The geography element of the series (a bit of a travel show in reality) took us from Macedonia in Greece through Persia (modern day Turkey and a big chunk of the middle east) and then into India. The history element looked at the life of the great man himself - the battles that he fought and the legacy that he left. So, for example, in Muslim countries even today, parents say to their naughty children *'if you don't behave Alexander will come in the middle of the night and punish you'*.



Alexander built a huge empire (which was why he was called Great) but it strikes me that he did it all for himself and in the end like all empires his one also turned to dust. This Sunday Malcolm Kayes brings us a sermon entitled **Phillip the Great** (referring to Phillip in the New Testament and like Alexander bearing a Greek name). But unlike Alexander, Phillip wasn't building an empire for himself. Instead, he was involved in a far greater and longer lasting kingdom building project for someone who truly was God (unlike Alexander who rather stupidly claimed to be). Malcolm will remind us of one particular kingdom building exercise that Phillip was involved in and some of the key elements of this that we would do well to emulate.

In the meantime, it would be good to remind ourselves that personal empire projects that we may be involved in will all eventually be washed away like sandcastles on the seashore when the tide comes in. So, let's be careful where, how and for whom we are building!

Dave Webb-Peploe
Lead Elder

BAGS OF FOOD

The Bags of Food team continue to support a number of families each week. The delivery volunteers are warmly welcomed for their conversations as well as the food they deliver.



In the coming week we are in urgent need of:

- Tinned peas, carrots, sweetcorn
- Instant custard
- Cereal
- Toothpaste
- Shampoo
- Shower gel

The Jubilee Centre is usually open Monday to Wednesday 9.00am-4.00pm. In the event that no one is there we have a box in the porch where donations can be placed. The box is also usually available on Thursdays and Fridays for small donations. Please contact us if you need to arrange a large drop off.

SUNDAY SERVICE 20th JUNE

Don't forget to book your space for next Sunday! Bookings will be open from 5pm Monday until 9pm Thursday, see the church website for details:

www.jubileechurchshepperton.org/servicebookings

Spaces are limited to allow for social distancing and other restrictions (e.g. masks and no singing) still apply. Do sign up to the waiting list if seats are showing as sold out as we may be able to release more seats and will prioritise you for next week if not.

MORRISSES ON THE MOVE

After more than 40 years in Shepperton **Stephen and Heather Morris** have decided to up sticks. They left their house on Tuesday (8th June) for temporary accommodation locally before they move to Cambridge to be nearer their son and daughter-in-law, David and Katie, sometime in the summer.



Stephen and Heather have been with Jubilee Church and its predecessors since April 1982 when around 30 people came together to launch a new church in Thamesmead School hall. They are the last of the originals. They're looking forward to a new season of serving God in a different part of the country and will be attending City Church, Cambridge, which is in the Relational Mission sphere of NewFrontiers. They will be greatly missed by everyone at Jubilee!

Sunday 13th June

10.30am: Morning Worship ([on YouTube](#) and at the Jubilee Centre)

Preacher: Malcolm Kayes

Theme: Phillip the Great

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 14 June

8.00pm Prayer Meeting (on Zoom)

Thursday 17 June

7:30pm FAITH - Youth Group
Home Groups

Tuesday 15 June

Focus Bible Study
Home Groups

Friday 18 June

10.30am Bublees Baby Group
Themba

Wednesday 16 June

7.00pm Oak Tree Cafe
Home Groups

Saturday 19 June

Some groups may be taking a break for half term, check with leaders if your group is meeting. 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 20th June

10.30am: Morning Worship (on YouTube and at the Jubilee Centre)

Preacher: Dave Webb-Peploe

Theme: Better Together (Acts 2 v42-47)

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

WORKING DAYS: Jenny Wilsher: Monday, Wednesday and Friday

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