

From the Editor's Den

Pop-Up Christians

Remember those early computer screen 'pop-ups'? Some were useful but others could be annoying, like Microsoft's uninvited 'paperclip' saying, *"It looks like you're writing a letter, can I help?"* It might also be how some of us Christians come across to non-believers!



The other sort of 'pop-up' is the toaster – which my darling wife and I have just bought since giving up our old gas cooker with a grille. It's now great to be able to set our own preferred levels and let it pop up automatically when reaching our ideal colour.

Daily Bread

Toasted bread can make other food more palatable – imagine scrambled egg or beans on a fresh slice of bread; toast itself is nutritious, but what it holds even more so. If Jesus is the 'Bread of Life' and He is in each believer, how can we make His Word more palatable for others? Can we bring a layer of goodness to each other, sharing the fruits of the Spirit with our brothers and sisters?

Bread of Life

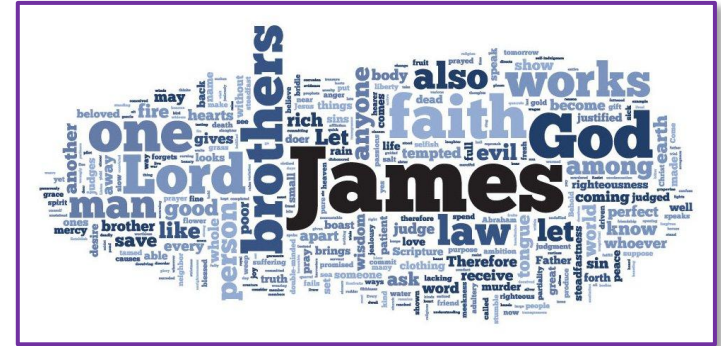
Last Friday's Midday worship focussed on Jesus' words about serving Him by serving others: *"Lord, when did we see You hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink?" . . . "Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of Mine, you did for Me."* (Matthew 25:37,40).

**Pop Up for Each Other!** (John 13:35)  
*They'll know we a Christians by our love!*



WORD Cloud of the week

Here is an interesting way to gain an overview of a Bible book. In the diagram, the larger the words the more often they appear. Look out for them when you read this short New Testament letter.



Source:  
BlueLetter Bible /  
Apps & Tools /  
Free Social Tools.

**"TOP TWENTY"  
BIBLE TEXTS  
COUNTDOWN**

**8. Psalm 23:1**

The LORD is my shepherd,  
I lack nothing.



Top 20 most popular Bible verses according to online search rankings.

Source: BibleStudyTools.com



LENT 'POP-UP'

*'Pop Out' to visit someone you could 'Pop In' on.*

**\* Items for the next edition \***  
to reach the **Administrator**  
by **Thursday morning** please

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## PREVIEWS, POINTERS & PRAYER

Items for this page to the Administrator by Thursday morning please

### Previews

**12.45 Community Litter Pick:** Join in if you can!


**6.30 Evening Fellowship Video** “Knowing the Holy Spirit”

Part 11: ‘The Inward Groan’ (Romans 8:18–30).

### Advance Pointers

#### Rufford Summer Mission

Fred and Lacey Swarz are hoping to run another summer activity outreach event. However, there will be no overseas team joining them this year so they will be relying solely on local help. If you can offer some activity ideas or time for the week of August 18th, please let them know by the end of April: [fred.swartz@gemission.org](mailto:fred.swartz@gemission.org)

 **Midlands Men's May Convention – Reclaiming Masculinity.** “Being the man God wants you to be”: 10<sup>th</sup> May 2025 from 10.00am–4.15pm. See flyers in the Foyer for details.

#### RoC West Midlands October Showcase: Lye

Wednesday 8th October, 7pm-9pm. *Redeeming Our Communities* is now taking bookings for this major event at Christ Church. Book online. See flyers and poster in the Foyer for more information.

### Prayer

#### PCC Meeting

Pray for Monday evening’s PCC meeting and each member as they discuss practical matters and discern God’s will for our church:

Stefan Inglin, Mark Kent, Rev Chris Kent, Doug McLean,  
Graham Dyer, Julie Ackroyd, Katie Cooper, Sally Kent,  
Craig Smith, Peter Wall, Richard Young.

<b>Today</b> 16 <sup>th</sup> March	10.30am Holy Communion 11.00am Zimbabwean Church 12.00pm Romanian Church 12.45pm Community Litter Pick,  6.30pm Evening Fellowship Video 6.30pm Youth Alpha  <b>Pray for</b> newcomers and visitors to church
<b>Monday</b>	10am–12pm OM Refugee Project, 7.00pm Online Prayer Group 8.00pm PCC Meeting, 8pm  <b>Pray for</b> members of the PCC
<b>Tuesday</b>	  <b>Pray for</b> our Administrator and volunteers
<b>Wednesday</b>	10.00am Lion Club  <b>Pray for</b> leaders and our church groups
<b>Thursday</b>	12.00pm Alpha Course  <b>Pray for</b> external Groups using the Church
<b>Friday</b>	11am–2pm Warm Place 12.00pm Midday Worship  <b>Pray for</b> staff of CPAS and Diocese
<b>Saturday</b>	  <b>Pray for</b> prospective vicar applicants
<b>Next Sunday</b> 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	10.30am Service of the Word 12.00pm Romanian Church  6.30pm Evening Fellowship Video 6.30pm Youth Alpha

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