



GILGAL BAPTIST
CHURCH

To know Jesus better, and to make Him better known

Park Avenue, Porthcawl

Registered Charity 1134864

BE KIND TO ONE ANOTHER,
TENDERHEARTED,
FORGIVING ONE ANOTHER,
as God in Christ
FORGAVE YOU.
EPHESIANS 4:32

Sunday 26th July 2020

Online Worship: The God Who Surprises - When has God surprised you? **Acts 12:11-19a**

Please join us for our **Online Social Media Worship Service**

(Facebook, YouTube and <http://gilgal.co.uk/news/pastors-blog>)

After the service, please join us for coffee and a chat from 11.30 – 12 noon on Zoom.

Use the following link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81497851187>

During this time, we “break out” into smaller groups, which makes chatting easier. If you have never tried this before, why not give it a go? If you can’t get the link to work or are struggling with Zoom, Cathryn is willing to help – please contact her by phone (857610 or 07968 178589) or at cathrynhodges@hotmail.com.

5 pm Sunday Service – We Are Back! ‘Love One Another’ (1 John 4:7-21)

What does Jesus mean by ‘love one another’?

This is a short and simplified service of Christian worship as we meet around God’s Word. The content of the service will be limited by the government hygiene and social distancing restrictions (for more information please read the much fuller information sheet available on our website). If you are shielding, vulnerable or have any Covid-19 symptoms please stay at home and be blessed by our online services. For the time being, our main Sunday Service remains the online social media worship Service.

Youth Worker: We are currently advertising for a Christian Youth Worker to join us in God’s work at Gilgal. The closing date for applications is the end of July. Use the following link to see the job description and application form: <https://gilgal.co.uk/about/vacancies>. Please share this with anybody you know who might be interested in applying.

Prayer Needs & Praise Reports

Those in Hospital: Margaret Carey-Jones; Malcolm & Jean Cridge; Molly Lakin (mother of Helen Lock).

Those in Residential Care: Ann Thomas (Picton Court); Doug Davies, Pat Eales (Monkstone House); Beryl Surringer (Newton Care Home); Carole Vanden Branden (Breaksea); Charlotte 'Lyn' Davies (Penylan House, Cardiff). Pray for residents and staff to be kept safe and well.

Prayer Chain Requests: Please send any emailed prayer requests **both** to Karen Challenger at karenchallenger1@googlemail.com and to Alan Harris at a.harris476@btinternet.com Alternatively, ring Karen on 07795 516369 or Alan on 01656 784118.

Telephone Prayer: If anyone wants to be prayed for over the telephone, please contact Karen Challenger as Prayer Ministry Team Leader. Karen can be contacted on her mobile 07795 516369. If she is not available, please leave a message and she will get back to you.

Other Announcements

Happy 90th Birthday wishes to Dilwyn Jones who celebrated his big day on Tuesday 21st. We thank God for his many years of service at Gilgal and pray for health and strength for him and Ann, may God bless them both.

Church membership: Several people have shown interest in becoming church members. If you are reading this and are not already a member of Gilgal Baptist Church but would like to know more, please contact our church secretary Liz Rees, contact details below.

Deacons' meetings minutes: Would you like to be kept up to date with what is discussed at our monthly deacons' meetings? If so, please contact Liz Rees or Alison Farrow who can add you to the list to receive the minutes via email or print a copy to pop through your door.

Keswick Convention Online: This year's Keswick Convention will be online this week from Monday to Friday with some great worship, preaching and children's ministry. You can check it out at <https://vkc.keswickministries.org>. They are also running a number of teaching and training workshops online. Worth a look!

Gilgal's support for other Christian organisations: In line with our budget we have recently made donations totalling over £12,000 to various Christian charities (Baptist Union, Baptist Missionary Society, Tear Fund, Latin Link, Barnabas Fund, Bible Society, Scripture Union, Blythswood Care, Missional Links Wales and Kyungu & Mijung Ra). Many of these have replied expressing their gratitude for our continuing support at this challenging time, so we want to pass on those thanks since it is your faithful giving to Gilgal that made this possible.

PAT Testing Equipment: Have you seen or borrowed our PAT tester? It has disappeared from the hall. It is a squat black box, with a screen and various knobs & leads, kept in its own rucksack. Please contact Richard Newman (07780 694201) if you know where it is.

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