



### **Palm Sunday - 28<sup>th</sup> March 2021**

**‘Live’ Worship at Park Avenue starting at 10.30am: Jesus’ Journey to Jerusalem (4) - Crowd Trouble (Palm Sunday) - Matthew 21:1-11**

**5.00pm Palm Sunday Disciples Service: Jesus Weeps Over Jerusalem - Luke 19:41-44 (This service will be live-streamed on our 'Gilgal Baptist Church' Facebook Page)**

**‘Online Worship’: Jesus’ Journey to Jerusalem (3) - How Good is Your Sight? – Matthew 20:29-34**

#### **Mid-Week Discipleship Groups (via Zoom)**

Monday Evening at 7.30pm – Leaders John Hornsby/David Redhouse

(Meeting ID: 863 3318 2507, Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86333182507>)

Tuesday Evening Bible Study at 7pm – Leader Pastor Martin

(Meeting ID: 858 6404 7429, Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85864047429>)

Tuesday Evening at 7pm – Leader Ray Jefferies

(Meeting ID: 817 9914 1828, Passcode: EAC6uT, Zoom link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81799141828?pwd=aTZabEhFNXNuYVJNaDFPeDMwaGMvUT09>)

Tuesday Evening at 7.30pm – Danygraig House group - Leader Gordon Lovering

(Meeting ID: 846 7632 4383 Passcode: 596775, Zoom link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84676324383?pwd=dU5QT3ZOVHJLZnBsaTI0TUxxVHFCUT09>)

For more information about any of these groups please contact their leaders.

## **Prayer Needs:**

**Those Bereaved:** Paul Winstanley & family bereaved of his father.

**In Hospital:** Brian Roylance, a former Gilgal church secretary, is in hospital in Millton Keynes having had a severe stroke. He is still very ill. His eyes are open; he responds to voices he knows when an iPad is held close to him and he has been having physiotherapy in the gym. Please keep praying for Brian, Sue and the family.

**At Home:** Dilwyn and Ann Jones; Phyllis Philipps; Alan Lee; Bryan Brown; David Porter (father of Rhianwyn Stewart); Martyn Llewellyn-Smith; Susan Corbett; Nia Knowles; William Bridger; Ann Lewis; Gerry Thurston.

**In Residential Care:** Ann Thomas (Picton Court); Doug Davies, Pat Eales (Monkstone House); Beryl Surringer (Newton Care Home); Carole Vanden Branden (Breaksea); 'Lyn' Davies (Penylan House, Cardiff); Margaret Carey-Jones (Glanffrwyd, Pencoed).

**Online Alpha:** Please continue to pray for this course running on Friday afternoons using Zoom, that those who attend will find answers to their questions.

### **Prayers for Good Friday:**

- Pray for good weather!
- We have 400 mixed tracts ready – pray that the right one goes to the right person.
- Pray that we have enough volunteers for hourly slots up to about 3 p.m.

### **Prayers for the SON-rise service on Easter Sunday:**

- Pray for good weather
- Pray for the planning of the service and that it will be allowed to go ahead.

**World Mission Prayer:** M is starting new English classes. Please pray that these classes will go well and will be able to operate within the COVID-19 regulations.

**Prayer Chain Requests:** To help ensure your prayer requests get circulated promptly, please send them to any two of the following people: Rachel Phillips at [crossmonster7@gmail.com](mailto:crossmonster7@gmail.com), Alan Harris at [a.harris476@btinternet.com](mailto:a.harris476@btinternet.com) or Caryl Gill at [carylgill1@gmail.com](mailto:carylgill1@gmail.com). Alternatively, you can ring Alan on 01656 784118.

## **Other Announcements**

**Good Friday communion service:** This will start at 10am. For those who are not able to join us in person at Park Avenue, please prepare your bread and wine and join us in this act of communion from your home. You can either watch the whole service live on our Facebook page, or simply think about us during this time and take communion at around 10:45am.

**Good Friday prayer time:** We will be joining for prayer after the service in the church at 11am. We are planning to meet for around half an hour to give thanks to God for this special day and to offer prayer support for those who will be taking part in the act of witness in John Street. Please join us to pray if you can.

**Good Friday Witness: "Crucifixion Commemoration"** on John Street from 11.30 am to 3 pm, with a stationary cross placed somewhere near the Museum. We need volunteers, for half hour slots, to assist with the witness and offer over 400 gospel leaflets. Let Gordon know ASAP if you can help (01656 773 182, 07877 250 118 or email [gordonandjoycelovering@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:gordonandjoycelovering@hotmail.co.uk) saying what times you can offer).

**Son-rise service on Easter Sunday morning** - Newton Point at 6.15 am – Come and celebrate the Resurrection with us.

**N.B. This event will only go ahead if Wales moves out of Alert Level 4 by then.**

**"Christ is Risen"**: We have some colourful A3 and A4 posters in the Foyer that you could put in your windows at home to proclaim that He is risen indeed! Help yourself.

**Help Us Reach Others.** Please leave a comment on our social media posts as the systems algorithms will then give them wider circulation. Thank you for your support.

**Children's and Family Worker:** Please continue to pray as we seek another person to join Owen our Youth Pastor in the work with children, young people and families.

**Baptism:** Our Pastor hopes to start a Baptism Class at the end of May. If you would like to know more about being baptised please let him know.

**If you would like to support our work financially** there are collection tins/baskets near the doors for our tithes, gift and offerings. Alternatively, you may like to speak to our Treasurer, John Hornsby (01656 772115), about giving by standing order.

**Election of deacons:** Five of our deacons are coming to the end of their terms of office. Caryl Gill, Cathryn Hodges, Daphne Harris and Gordon Lovering are willing to stand again if nominated. Eirwen Harris has decided not to stand again and we thank her for her service as a deacon over the past few years. With Steve having left us at Christmas, we have six vacancies which we would like to fill, so please give prayerful consideration to this matter and if you would like a nomination form then contact Liz.

**Toddlers' leader needed:** We are hoping to start up our Jellybeans toddlers group as soon as restrictions allow. In order to do this, we need someone to take it on, lead it and organise it. We are also looking for helpers, so basically a new team. If you feel this is something you can get involved in please contact Liz, thank you.

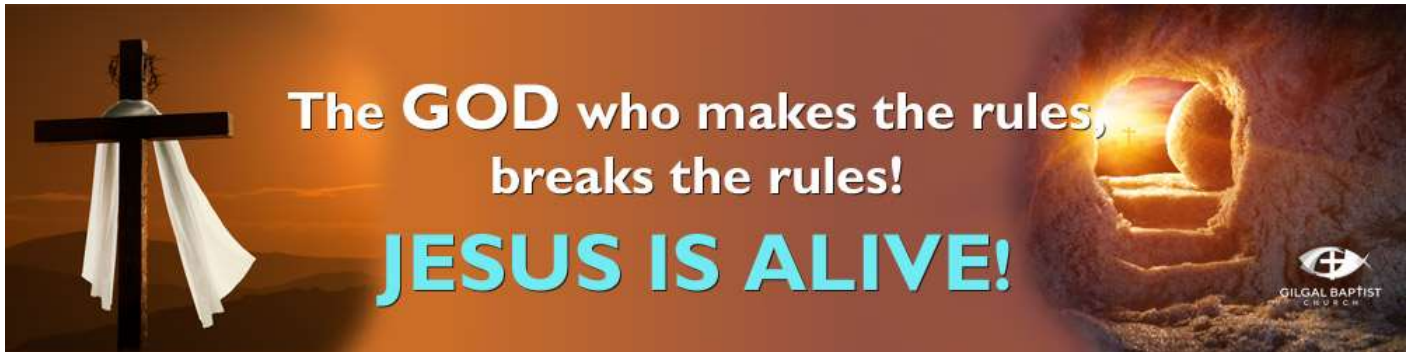
**The back pews** have now been removed and the vestibule emptied ready for the building redevelopment work to start after Easter. Thank you everyone for your help, patience and support as we create 'a building fit for purpose' in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.

**Please remember to put your clocks forward this weekend.** You wouldn't want to miss any of the special services and blessings God has planned for us!

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<b>Items for the next news sheet should be sent to Leanne by Wednesday at the latest.</b>		

And finally ....

There is a new car park banner - what do you think it means?



God creates the law of gravity - and yet Jesus ascends!

"The wages of sin is death" - but Jesus died, and He never sinned!

Now think of your own - and use for evangelism with your friends.