



To know Jesus better, and to make Him better known

Park Avenue, Porthcawl

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MY CHAINS FELL OFF, MY HEART WAS FREE,
I ROSE, WENT FORTH, AND FOLLOWED
THEE.

- CHARLES WESLEY -

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Sunday 8th August 2021

WE ARE AT AWEL Y MOR FOR BOTH SERVICES TODAY!

Today's Guest Speaker – Rev Gareth Cheedy

10.30am Morning Worship: Acts 8:26-40

5pm Disciples Service: Acts 10:1-23

Please note the change of the start time back to 5pm.

Online service: Rev Ian Howells on 'Seeking Jesus' - Reading: Matthew 28:1-10

Mid-Week Discipleship Groups

Monday 9th August at 7.30pm – 9 Caldys Close (the home of David & Ann Redhouse).

Our mid-week groups are taking a break for some or all of August. For more information about any of these groups, please contact their leaders.

Prayer Needs & Praise Reports

Those Bereaved: The family & friends of Pat Wilson who has passed away.

At Home: Dilwyn and Ann Jones; Phyllis Phillips; Martyn Llewellyn-Smith; Nia Knowles; 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).

Children's Worker: There has been no response to our efforts to fill the role of children's/family worker, so we are re-advertising the position. This is an important step in fulfilling our plans for the future of Gilgal. Please pray that our search will be successful and that we will be able to give God our grateful thanks. If you know of anyone who would be interested, please point them to our website for full details.

Praise Report: Congratulations to Ronan Lewis on his excellent GCSE results and to **Joel Thurston** on his excellent AS level results. Every blessing in your future studies.

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, Alan Harris at a.harris476@btinternet.com or Caryl Gill at carylgill1@gmail.com. Alternatively, you can ring Alan on 01656 784118.

Other Announcements

The Big Sing – Today (Sunday 8th August) at 3pm: Now that a larger number can gather outside, we are planning to hold 'The Big Sing' or Gilgal's version of 'Songs of Praise by the Sea'. The venue will be at the Eastern end of the main promenade next to the RNLI shop. Some of the Worship Team will be leading a mixture of traditional hymns and contemporary Christian songs (from our repertoire) for about an hour. You may wish to bring a chair, some water and sun protection. Song sheets will be provided. In the event of bad weather, the event will be postponed until 15th August.

Tuesdays 11 to 1 on John Street: Our weekly witness continues. Please pray for us - and call by to support those witnessing - near the Museum, opposite the Y Centre. Thanks, Gordon Lovering. (If you think, with guidance and support, you might like to be part of an activity of this kind, we will be providing a workshop in late September.)

Our youth pastor Owen is on Annual Leave from 5th - 14th August, so can you please send any messages to Cathryn Hodges while Owen is away. Thanks.

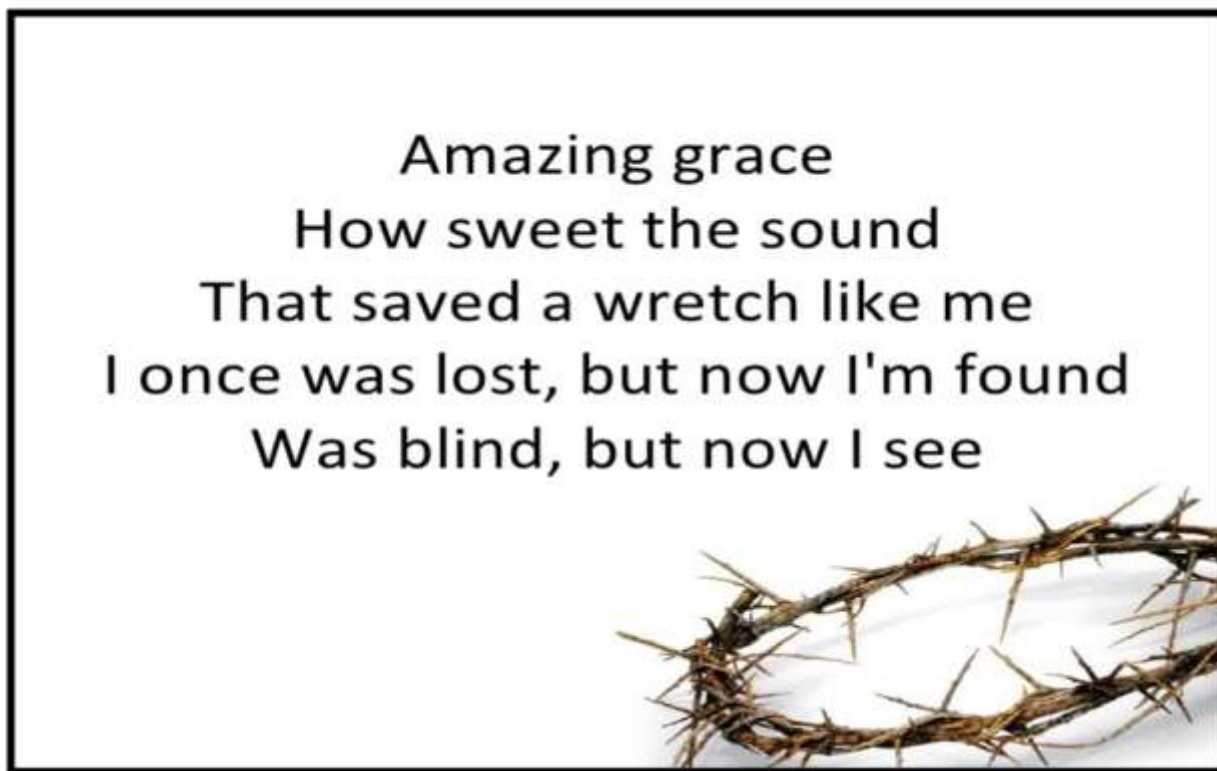
150th Church Anniversary: If you have any memories of Gilgal from 1970 onwards, please can you write a short account and give it to Linda Harber. This could be if you were involved in any children's work, any groups that now no longer exist, or any anecdotes that you think will be suitable for our 150th Anniversary celebration.

Saturday 4th September at 3pm: The Ordination to Baptist Ministry of Steve Lock at All Saints Church, Porthcawl, followed by light refreshments.

Sunday 5th September at 3pm: Service of Believers Baptism. With our church building unavailable, we will be heading to Coney Beach and several folk plan to be baptised in the sea. Further details will follow in due course.
(N.B. Final baptism class on Friday September 3rd.)

Church Directory: Thank you to all who have completed the Church Directory data protection form. However, there are still a number that need to be returned to Linda Harber as soon as possible, please.

While our pastor is on the first part of his Sabbatical, please contact Liz Rees, John Hornsby or Daphne Harris for pastoral support.



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