



GILGAL BAPTIST
CHURCH

To know Jesus better, and to make Him better known

Park Avenue, Porthcawl

Registered Charity 1134864



Sunday 3rd October 2021

'Live' Worship at Awel Y Mor

10.30am Morning Worship: "An Alternative Harvest Service"

BMS Harvest Theme – "I Will Stand"

For just this year, and due to continuing Covid19 concerns, we will not be receiving our usual Harvest Gifts but instead will join with Baptists around the country in supporting the BMS by standing with those who 'sow the seed' of faith in places of persecution. Thank you for your understanding and support.

Refreshments are being served:

In the weeks ahead we are going to serve refreshments on Sundays. This coming Sunday they will be served before the morning service until 10.25am.

5.00pm Disciples Service: Series - "The Return of the King"

(Rev 19-22). Today - "The New Heaven and New Earth" (Rev.21:1-8)

Online Service: "Our God is LOVE!" 1 John 4:7-21

Mid-Week Discipleship Groups

For more information about these groups please contact their leaders.

Monday at 7.30pm via Zoom – Leaders John Hornsby/David Redhouse
(Meeting ID: 86333182507, link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86333182507>)

Tuesday at 10.30am at 22 Adrian Close – New Christians home group.
Leaders Eirwen Harris/Megan Washbourne.

Tuesday Evening Bible Study at 7pm via Zoom –
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81213423248?pwd=aDZKbmlvWEduTGxDMjJ5STZCK0pvdz09>

Meeting ID: 812 1342 3248 Passcode: 839939. The leaders for the next two weeks are David Porter and David Brownutt.

Tuesday evening at 7pm – House group at 66 Danygraig Avenue (home of Ed and Rachel Lewis).

Tuesday evening at 7pm – House group at 88 Fulmar Road (home of Shirley Kenifick). Leader Ray Jefferies.

Friday morning from 10am until 12 noon: House group meeting at 79 Fulmar Road (home of Graham & Avis Watkins). Leaders Carolynne Gillard & Caryl Gill.

The group that used to meet on a Monday afternoon will be restarting on Friday afternoons, but not until 15th October.

Prayer Needs & Praise Reports

At Home: Dilwyn and Ann Jones; Phyllis Phillips; Nia Knowles; Gerry Thurston; Hilary Oatridge; Ian Hawthorn; Ray Panter.

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).

Please remember in your prayers the family and friends of 'Michael', a rough sleeper known to us through the Tuesday, John Street, outreach and in Foodbank who died suddenly this week.

Praise Report: Thanks to Owen Hughes for leading our workshop on Wednesday, and special appreciation to those able to join us - let's "make Jesus better known"! (If there is sufficient support, we'll have more workshops on sharing our faith, on witnessing and on evangelism.)

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, ring Alan on 01656 784118.

Other Announcements

Tuesday at 10am: Jellybeans Toddlers at the Woodland Avenue Scout Hall. Please keep praying for Ruth Evans and her team.

Tuesday on John Street: 11am to 1 pm, Gordon is on holiday so please check with Larry and Carol Knowles in the event of questionable weather!

Evangelism Ministry Team meeting at 2pm on Wednesday 13th October in the Church Hall. Items for the agenda to Gordon a.s.a.p., please.

We really need a few more people to join our visiting team. Could you spare an hour every so often to visit someone who is unable to get out? If so please speak to Daphne for more information. If not, could you pray that our gracious Lord will prompt the right people to consider this.

The shoebox appeal is going ahead again this year. If anyone has any gifts or knitted items which need collection, please ring Val Thomas on 07443 421683. Thank you.

We have had an enquiry about believer's baptism. If you would like to know more about being baptised please speak to our pastor.

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.

While our Pastor is away on holiday for the next 2 weeks, if you have pastoral needs or concerns please contact Liz Rees, Daphne Harris or John Hornsby.

Give as you Live and Amazon Smile: A reminder that if you shop online, you can nominate Gilgal as your preferred charity and then the church receives a small percentage of what you spend, at no cost to you. It is very easy to use – please see John Hornsby for further details.

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