

Church Family News and Prayers

The second hand estate car I'd bought ought to have been a brilliant buy: one careful owner, no bumps and all the extras you could hope for. I thought: "This is too good to be true." And it was. But the problem only appeared in the wet. When the skies opened, so did some part of the car: a sloshing sound on the passenger side alerted me first of all to the fact that my Astra was not as watertight as it might be.

It went straight down the garage. "No trouble, sir. We'll take it through the car wash and sort it out." It came back to me with the windscreen re-sealed and I looked forward to damp-free motoring. Then next storm struck and I was as soggy as ever. On its second visit to the garage, they re-sealed the sunroof and on the third they put gunk on anything they could see. Slightly better but not waterproof.

I was telling this story to Len, a woodwork teacher at school and, after asking me a few questions, he said: "Park it the other way round in your driveway at night." I thought he'd gone mad but I was desperate enough to try. It worked: immediately and completely. I never really understood why. Len just said that it worked more often than not.

We live in a world that places an unusually high value on specialist knowledge and doesn't always find enough room for good old fashioned experience. That applies to people's faith as well. It's all very well to know the theory but it's another thing to live it out. My old Astra was a constant reminder to me that while knowing about God is helpful, knowing him in our daily experience is what matters.

Dave K

We continue to pray for those members of our Church Family and Friends who are unwell and all those who mourn.

If you would like to be included in the prayer list, please write your name in the book in the foyer of the church.

**Please pray for our CEEMP Prayer Partners:
St Edeyrn's, Llanedeyrn**

**Prayer in Your Street for July : Celyn Avenue
August : Winnipeg Drive, Clearwater Way & Ontario Way**

If you are new to this church or if you have any particular concerns and would like to talk to someone please give your name and contact details to one of the ministers or stewards.



CYNCOED METHODIST CHURCH

**A warm welcome to everyone worshipping with us today
Please stay for coffee or tea in the church after the service.**

Sunday 23rd July 2017

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Steward: Peter Evans

10.30am Rev Philip Buckland

**6.00pm Rev Jarel Robinson-Brown
Cluster Service at Cathays**

Lectionary Readings:

*Wisdom of Solomon 12:13, 16-18; or Isaiah 44:6-8; Psalm 86:11-17;
Romans 8:12-25; Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43*

At Cyncoed Methodist Church

we are called to tell God's story by living as God's people through:

- Preaching and teaching the gospel
- Encouraging spiritual growth
- Outreach in the community
- Responding to opportunities for change

all inspired by God centred worship and prayer.

A family room is available, if needed, for the use of parents with babies and toddlers, allowing parents to share in worship while the little ones enjoy the toys provided. Please ask one of the stewards for more information.

Please ensure that your mobile is on 'silent' during the service

The ministerial team:

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Services during August 2017

Sunday 6th August

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Steward: John Tredget

9.15am Rev Philip Buckland - Communion
10.30am Barbara Ward

Lectionary Readings:

Isaiah 55:1-5; Psalm 145:8-9, 14-21; Romans 9:1-5; Matthew 14:13-21

Sunday 13th August

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Steward: Jan Grant

10.30am Rev Philip Buckland - Communion

Lectionary Readings:

1 Kings 19:9-18; Psalm 85:8-13; Romans 10:5-15; Matthew 14:22-23

Sunday 20th August

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Steward: Peter Evans

10.30am Andrew Swatton

Lectionary Readings:

Isaiah 56:1, 6-8; Psalm 67; Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32; Matthew 15:(10-20), 21-28

Sunday 27th August

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Steward: Jenny Siddall

10.30am David Kitchen

Lectionary Readings:

Isaiah 51:1-6; Psalm 138; Romans 12:1-8; Matthew 16:13-20

NB: this week's notices (Sunday 23rd July) will be the last before the summer break. Notices will resume on Sunday 27th August.

Please leave items for the church notices in the Church Office or contact Janet Grant Tel: 029 2054 1993 or email to cyncoedmethodistchurch@gmail.com before 5.00pm on Wed 23rd August.

STATIONING SEPTEMBER 2018

The Circuit is looking to appoint a new Presbyter after Philip and Brenda sadly leave us and return to South Africa. In order to help the Invitation Committee prepare a ministerial profile we would be grateful if you could complete the questionnaire handed out with the notices, (spares in vestibule and office). Please return to Carol Plumridge (representing Cyncoed on the Committee) by Sunday 6th August either directly or via the file in the office. Many thanks.

Sunday 30th July 2017

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Steward: Jenny Siddall

10.30am Helen Osborne

6.00pm Café Church - Ever been tempted?

Cluster evening worship at Cyncoed. Philip Buckland and Dave Kitchen get together to confess all ... well, something at least. Interesting, challenging, informal worship for a Sunday night. All are welcome except perhaps anyone who has never been tempted ... although frankly we don't believe you!

Lectionary Readings:

1 Kings 3:5-12; Psalm 119:129-136; Romans 8:26-39; Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

Notices

- **Coffee & and Light Lunch** at Cyncoed Methodist Church Wednesday 9th August from 11am, please join us.
- **Save the Date - Men's Breakfast:** Saturday 16th September 8.30 - 9.30am in the Fellowship Room.
- **Alison Harrison** would like to thank everyone who sponsored her for last week's Race for Life. With your help she raised £524.
- **MHA Sunday** (11th June) collection raised £150.
- **Action for Children Sunday** (9th July) collection raised £200.
- **Tearfund Ethiopia Coffee Morning** (Saturday 22nd July) raised £200.
- **Lunch Club** is looking for a new Organiser to take the vacancy left by Jan Grant as she moves to pastures new.
- **Jean Rees and Family** would like to thank the Church Family for all their support and sympathy following the sad loss of Graham.
- **Circuit Welcome Service** for Rev Cathy Gale and Rev Alana Lawrence Thursday 31st August at 7.30pm at Whitchurch Methodist Church.