

Church Family News and Prayers

It's a gift

The Wise Men brought gifts – we know that. But what else do we know? Much of the detail we just wonder about. As gold, frankincense and myrrh get mentioned, we think about three individuals bringing three separate caskets. Possible ... but it's simply one assumption.

We do know that the travellers from the east studied together and journeyed together. Why then should we assume anything other than they would choose gifts for the Child-King as a team? The gifts chosen go together – they are what you would expect to bring if you were visiting royalty. And they could fit neatly into a single casket.

We're so focused in our society on what individuals may do that we rarely think collectively about giving. Perhaps these wise heads did just that. And a casket filled with valuable and eminently tradeable things would be exactly what a refugee couple fleeing with their baby would need. Collective wisdom! Always a good thing.

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 David's/All Saints Llanedeyrn**

Prayer in Your Street for January: Rannoch Drive



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 12th January 2020

First Sunday in Ordinary Time / Sunday after Epiphany

Steward: John Tredget

10.30am Rev. Kofi Amissah – Covenant Service

3.00pm Messy Church

6.00pm Rev. Alexis Mahoney @ St. Andrew's

Readings: Isaiah 42: 1-9; Psalm 29; Acts 10: 34-43; Matthew 3: 13-17

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.
Follow us on Facebook.**

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Sunday 19th January 2020

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Steward: Peter Evans

10.30am Rev. Nick Oborski

6.00pm Rev. Kofi Amissah @ St. Andrew's

*Readings: Isaiah 49: 1-7; Psalm 40: 1-11; 1 Corinthians 1: 1-9;
John: 29-42*

Informal mid-week Communion

Thursdays at 10.30am in the Fellowship Room

An Oasis of peace in a busy week

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.

Notices

- **A Thank You:** I wish to thank members of the church for their cards, letters and telephone messages, wishing me a happy 90th birthday {last Friday, 3rd Jan.}. It was a most enjoyable day when we were joined by eighteen members of our family. Diolch Yn Fawr. Doug Griffiths
- **Wednesday Lunch Club:** needs drivers. If there are any drivers prepared to offer their chauffeuring services for the next few weeks on Wednesday lunch times to a couple of our diners please contact Helen Osborne for details. A lunch is always available by way of thanks as well as some lovely company!
- **CMCC (Cathays Methodist Community Choir):** are supporting Mike Farris a Nashville Grammy Award Winner at a Celebration of Celtic Americana Voices on 12th March from 7pm – 10.30pm at St. Andrew's URC Church, Penylan Road, Cardiff. £15 entry to include canapes with a fusion of flavours from Wales and Southern America.

Please leave items for the church notices in the Church Office (for Mike Berry) or email to cyncoedmethodistchurch@gmail.com before 5.00pm on Wednesday.