

## Church Family News and Prayers

### **Faith**

Being a grandparent is lovely because you get to receive three great gifts like the baby Jesus did. Firstly, there's the little one – Reuben, in our case, and an absolute treasure. After that, you get a list and a timetable! Not so long ago, I'd been instructed to keep Reuben occupied in the living room while important cleaning tasks happened elsewhere. He was still at the crawling stage so I chose a strategic point and lounged comfortably while Reuben roamed around.

Teletubbies was on but he was more interested in his toy workbench. So I'm half-watching him at the workbench and half-watching the four Teletubbies dancing with each other. All of a sudden, Reuben gets bored of the workbench, turns around and **walks** to his push-along fire engine. I'm open-mouthed: as far as we were all concerned he couldn't do that. So I tried to get him to repeat it. Not a chance! Every time I attempted to get him to walk a few steps, he'd do one, wobble and then collapse onto me. He may have done it once but he hadn't yet got faith in his ability.

And that's the crunch for so many things. Jesus told his team of followers that if they even had a tiny seed of faith, they'd be able to move mountains. He didn't literally mean they'd be able to relocate Snowdon in Abergavenny but he definitely did mean that they could do so much more than they had ever imagined. In a world where we're often short on confidence, we need faith that we can move forward, even if it's a just few steps at a time. And, if Reuben can do it, then so can his grandad.

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



### **CYNCOED METHODIST CHURCH**

## **Church Notices for Sunday 9th October 2022 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

### *Services*

**Steward: Sue Tester**

**10.30am Local Arrangement -The Stewards**

**3.00pm Messy Church**

**Readings:** *Jeremiah 29: 1, 4-7; Psalm 66: 1-12; 2 Timothy 2: 8-15;  
Luke 17: 11-19*

### **No More Covid Restrictions**

As we are all aware, all COVID restrictions have been lifted. There are therefore no restrictions applicable to our services or any gathering in the Cyncoed Methodist building. We are however aware that Covid is still around. For this reason, we encourage that when in the Cyncoed Methodist building, everyone must graciously respect the preferences of other members of the congregation and the community, especially if people choose to maintain any of the preventive protocols.

### ***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.**

### The Ministerial Team:

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### Sunday 16th October 2022 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Steward: Angela and Heather Bailey**

**10.30am Rev. Kofi Amissah - Communion**

**Readings:** *Jeremiah 31: 27-34; Psalm 119: 97-104;  
2 Timothy 3:14 - 4:5; Luke 18: 1-8*



### Informal mid-week Communion

Thursdays at 10.30am in the Fellowship Room  
*An Oasis of peace in a busy week*

### Cyncoed Church Premises

**For Out of Hours or Emergency access to the Cyncoed Church Premises**  
**please call Martin on 07849 632 394 or**  
**email: [cyncoedmethodistchurch@gmail.com](mailto:cyncoedmethodistchurch@gmail.com)**

## Notices

- ❖ **Messy Church** Sunday 9th of October, 3 - 5pm

Theme - 'God's love for the planet'



Look forward to sharing the session with you!

Anne

- ❖ **Ghana Evening** on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2022 at 5.30pm, for a 6.00pm start, at Cyncoed Methodist Church. Activities will include worship, food and entertainment. We hope to raise funds at this event and others to support the Wenchi Methodist Hospital, Fistular Repair Project in Ghana
- ❖ **SMARTIES CHALLENGE. Supporting the Wenchi Hospital Ghana** It isn't too late to join the Challenge, please pick up your Smarties Tubes at the back of the Church and be part of the action. Tubes filled with coins will be returned to the Church late November. Many thanks to all of you already involved  
Chris
- ❖ **Sponsored swim in aid of the Wenchi Fistular Project** My challenge is a Channel swim (22 miles) in my local pool over a period of 12 weeks (starting September 2022). A sponsor form will be on the table in the Vestibule and I would be very grateful if you will agree to sponsor me for this challenge.  
Anne Tucker

Please send items for the church notices to the Church Office  
or email to [cyncoedmethodistchurch@gmail.com](mailto:cyncoedmethodistchurch@gmail.com)  
before 5.00pm on Wednesday.