

## TO ALL WHO WALK

The people who walked in darkness  
have seen a great light.  
*What they have seen has come without great commotion,  
without shouting itself from the housetops.*

Light has dawned  
on those who live in a land as dark as death.  
*And the light begins in their heart.*

To them a child is born, to them a son is given.  
*No ordinary gift but one that can come  
only once in the whole of history.*

Government shall be upon his shoulders.  
*Not the politics of corruption and compromise  
but the power over people's hearts.*

His names shall be: Wonderful Guide, God of all Strength,  
Father for all Time, Prince of Peace.  
*Names he will live up to  
as he guides, strengthens, cares for his people  
and gives them peace in the midst of chaos.*

The people who walked in darkness  
have seen a great light.  
*So can we.*

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

## Welcome to Cyncoed Methodist Church



**part of Cardiff Methodist Circuit**

### Church Notices for Sunday 17th December 2023 Third Sunday of Advent

#### *Services*

**Steward: Sue Tester**

**10.30am. Nativity Service – The Stewards**

**6.00pm. Rev. Cathy Gale – Carol Service**

**Readings:** *Isaiah 61: 1-4, 8-11; Psalm 126 or Canticle: Magnificat (Luke 1: 46b-55);  
1 Thessalonians 5: 16-24; John 1: 6-8, 19-28*

#### **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 24th December 2023  
Fourth Sunday of Advent, Christmas Eve**

**Steward: Angela and Heather Bailey**

**10.30am Rev. Cathy Gale / Dave Kitchen – Communion**

**11.30pm Rev. Cathy Gale – Midnight Communion**

*Readings: 2 Samuel 7: 1-11, 16; Canticle: Magnificat (Luke 1: 46b-55) or  
Psalm 89: 1-4, 19-26; Romans 16: 25-27; Luke 1: 26-38*



**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**

**Notices**

- ❖ **Cwtch Baby Bank** This year's Carol Service is on Sunday 17th December at 6pm, the offering will be donated to the Cwtch Baby Bank in Taffs Well. The Baby Bank distributes pre-loved Baby items to vulnerable families throughout Cardiff, it is a small charity and any monetary donations go towards buying nappies, baby milk and food for newborns to 24months. Further information can be found on their website. Sue Tester

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.