

Church Family News and Prayers

Christmas Haiku

*Haiku are Japanese poems
3 lines – 5 syllables then 7 then 5 again.
Tiny poetry - like a snapshot.
Here are just a few.*

**In the beginning
Was the word, a breath from God
And, in it, was light**

**The light split darkness
Opened earth to life itself
Best of all, it stayed**

**Mary and Joseph:
A simple village marriage.
A steady safe life?**

**Easy for angels
To say *Do not be afraid*
Hard to live it, though**

**Words you might regret
If God calls me I am here
Words that change the world**

*especially for Heather and for all of us who enjoyed
hearing about Japan at Meet, Eat and Connect*

**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 7TH December 2025
Second Sunday of Advent**

Stewards: Angela and Heather Bailey

9.15am Rev. Cathy Gale - Communion

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.

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There will be no Communion service on Thursday 11th or 18th December 2025. The Mid-week Communion will recommence on Thursday 8th January 2026.

Cyncoed Church Premises

For Out of Hours or Emergency access to the Cyncoed Church Premises, please call Martin on 07849 632 394

Please send items for the church notices to the Church Office or email to cyncoedmethodistchurch@gmail.com before 5.00pm on Wednesday.

Notices

- ❖ **Mid-week Communion** There will be no Communion service on Thursday 11th or 18th December 2025. The Mid-week Communion will recommence on Thursday 8th January 2026.
- ❖ **Ken Davies** We have received the sad news that Ken Davies, husband of Eira, passed away last week at Ty Enfys Care Home. His funeral will be held on Thursday December 18th at the Briwnant Chapel, Thornhill at 11am. Our sympathies and prayers go out to his daughter, Helen, and the wider family.
- ❖ **Christmas Day Service** Can you help please. We are looking for an organist to play at the morning service on Christmas Day. If you are able and willing to help, please contact the church office or speak to one of the Stewards. Thank you.
- ❖ **Meet, Eat and Connect** The next breakfast will be held on Saturday 13th December, 10.00 - 11.30am in the Fellowship Room, Cyncoed Church. This will be a fun, Christmas themed event so the wearing of Christmas jumpers is encouraged. All very welcome
- ❖ **Safeguarding Training** It is quite short notice, but due to a number of people from Conway Road needing Safeguarding Training, we are running a Foundation Course on Monday 8th December, 11.30am at Conway Road Methodist Church. The course will be led by Trevor Evans and last approximately 2 hours. Please let Dave Kitchen know if you think you need to go to this. Online courses will follow in the new year.
- ❖ **Christmas Card Shop** The 'Cards for Good Causes' multi-charity Christmas card shop is now open again at St John's Church in the city centre. It's open 10am to 4pm Monday to Saturday until Friday 19th December. Certainly worth a look if you're in town
- ❖ **Dedicate a Flower Arrangement** This Christmas we would like to offer our members and friends the opportunity to dedicate a flower arrangement to a special person or in memory of a loved one. A Christmas arrangement will display a gift tag with your message. Should you be interested in dedicating an arrangement this Christmas please write your message on a gift tag (available from the stewards).
A suggested contribution of £10 would be helpful towards the cost of the flowers but any contribution you can make is most welcome. Gwyneth and the Church Flowers team.
- ❖ **Christmas Craft Fayre** Saturday 13th December 12 to 4pm in the Westminster Hall come along and get your last minute presents. Lots of craft stalls, help raise money for local charities. See leaflet for more details.
- ❖ **Welsh Blood Service** The Blood Donation Clinic will be coming to Cyncoed Methodist Church on Friday 2nd January 2026. See attached booking link for your use.
Booking link: <https://wbs.wales/CyncoedMethodistChurch>