

The first morning

: a reflection

The dawn may have broken like any other morning in that dry and dusty country. It may have come without much colour or beauty.

What no one knew was that this first day of the week was different. A tomb was empty, grave clothes were folded and a story which had finished was beginning again.

John saw the tomb and was too afraid to go in. Peter looked and saw the grave clothes. Mary met who she thought he was the gardener.

He said *Who are you looking for?* And getting no reply, he said *Mary*.

It was enough. She knew even in the half-light of dawn that her master had returned.

The sun rose and, bit by bit, the message began to sink in.

The man who had first called their names by the Sea of Galilee would go on calling their names and calling the names of countless others as each new dawn brings each new day.

He was, is and always will be – risen.

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 12th April 2026
Second Sunday of Easter**

Steward: Sheila Scott

10.30am Rev. Cathy Gale – Communion

3.00pm Messy Church

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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Office Hours: Mon - Thurs 8:30am to 11:30am

Sunday 19th April 2026
Third Sunday of Easter

Stewards: Alison Harrison & Jenny Siddall

10.30am Anthony Thomas



Informal mid-week Communion

is on a post-Easter break.

Services will resume on Thursday April 30th 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

- ❖ **Thursday Morning Communion** is on a post-Easter break due to Cathy's schedule (and some holiday!) and the failure to find a substitute. Services will resume on Thursday April 30th 2026. Apologies for the inconvenience and disappointment for our "regulars".
- ❖ **Messy Church** is this Sunday **12.4.26, 3-5pm**
Our theme is:- **Courage to follow Jesus**
Look forward to sharing the session with you!
Anne Tucker
- ❖ **Race for Life** I am taking part in the 5K Race for Life on Sunday 3rd May, if you would like to sponsor me, there is a form on the table in the vestibule - all money raised goes straight to Cancer Research U.K. Thank you for your support, Alison H.
- ❖ **Marilyn Barrack** would like to thank the Church Family for their prayers and good wishes after her serious accident.
- ❖ **Meet, Eat and Connect.** The April Meet, Eat and Connect breakfast will be held on Saturday 11th April, 10 - 11.30 am in The Fellowship Room, Cyncoed Church. This month we are delighted to welcome Deacon Laura Evans who will share 'The Trinity Centre Story'. All very welcome.
- ❖ **Whitchurch Methodist Church**, Cardiff is seeking an enthusiastic person to become part of a team working at our popular Roundabout Café. One part-time post of 8 hours per week spread over two days (Wednesday & Thursday). Previous experience of work within a catering or coffee shop environment would be an advantage.
Full details of the Café, a job description and person specification can be seen on the Church website
www.whitchurchmethodistchurch-cardiff.co.uk
or are available from Rev Rosemary Davies, Chair of Café Management Committee – tel. 029 2075 9530
The remuneration will be £13.45 per hour. A DBS check will be required.
Applications, with CV, by email
to whitmethchurch@hotmail.com
or sent to Whitchurch Methodist Church, Penlline Road, Cardiff, CF14 2AA.
Closing date for applications: 27th April 2026