

JOB – A SHORT GUIDE

A bit of background

This is the beginning of the five Wisdom books in the bible which cover suffering, love, boredom, hate, delight, prayer, parenting and sex. Among other things! They do not set out to solve everything but just to be places where people's puzzles, pain and pleasure are given a voice. *Job* comes first, struggling with the big issues of suffering and fairness.

A taste of Job's challenges

I may end up dead but God is still my hope – so here's my challenge to him. Why do you hide your face from me? How many wrongs have I committed? Why have I become your enemy? We're set adrift in this world with too few days and too many troubles. How can life begin again when all you can see is death. Trees may manage it but is it possible with people? You seem to wear everything down, Lord ... including us.

In a nutshell

This is the place where the questions get asked about why life seems so unfair and why good people suffer. It's also the book which discovers that there are no neat answers to that. What you do learn is how shallow some of the arguments about suffering can be. If people are in pain, they simply don't want religious platitudes or an enthusiasm for apportioning blame, they need someone who will stick by them.

from Bible in Ten – David Kitchen

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 25th October 2026
Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Stewards: Sue Tester & Roy Methley

10.30am Rev. Rosemary Davies - Communion

Lectionary: Deuteronomy 34: 1-12; Psalm 90: 1-6, 13-17;
1 Thessalonians 2: 1-8; Matthew 22: 34-46

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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Sunday 1st November 2026

All Saints Day

Stewards: Angela & Heather Bailey

9.15am Rev. Cathy Gale – Communion

4.00pm Rev. Cathy Gale – Memorial Service

Lectionary: Revelation 7: 9-17 Psalm 34: 1-10, 22 1 John 3: 1-3
Matthew 5: 1-12



Informal mid-week Communion

An oasis of peace in a busy week.

**Services held on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month at
10:30am**

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

- ❖ **Bible Study** The Bible Study scheduled for November 5th has been cancelled, as Cathy will be conducting a funeral on that day. Bible Study will resume on **Thursday 19th November** with Ruth Chapter 3.
- ❖ **Midweek Communion** Our next midweek communion will be on **Thursday 12th November at 10.30am.**
- ❖ **Operation Christmas Child** Please bring your shoebox to Church on Sunday 8th November where they will be blest. You can also drop your shoebox off at the church office—Monday to Thursday 8.30am to 11.30am. If you would prefer to make a donation, then please make cheques payable to 'Samaritan's Purse'. Many thanks to everyone who supports this charity.
God Bless
Dave and Glenna
- ❖ **Community Garden** We will be looking to stake raspberry bushes in the next few months and planting seeds ready for the raised beds. If you have any seed trays or bamboo canes (ideally 6ft) that you no longer need, we'd love to have them please. All donations will be gratefully received.
- ❖ **The Trinity Centre** are holding a competition to name their upstairs hall. The hall is used for many different activities, groups, celebrations and meetings. It has beautiful stained glass windows including the rose window, which is used as a basis for their logo. The other rooms in the building are called the Sanctuary and the Croeso Room. They are looking for a name that is easy to understand and reflects the community and heritage of the building. The prize is a £50 voucher. To enter, email enquiries@trinitycentre.wales for an entry form. The closing date is Monday 16th November.