



PARKEND CHURCH

The Survey

Easter



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The serenity of the Garden on that first Easter Morning was a far cry from the chaos of Christ's Crucifixion just a few days before. As Mary went to the tomb, you get the feeling that they were lovingly tidying up loose ends, because it was truly all over. Nobody else goes, she probably expects to find a couple of Roman guards kicking their heels, waiting to go back to barracks.

When you're in the middle of chaos or massive change, it's nigh on impossible to believe that God is doing something, especially when the focus of that chaos is someone or something you love. Indeed, the most some of us hope for is that things will settle down, we tie up loose ends and start to move on.

With the benefit of hindsight, the Gospel writers and indeed the rest of the New Testament, help us to understand what God was doing in the middle of chaos. We come to understand that the Cross and the Empty Tomb was not the end, it was simply the end of the very beginning. Things were only just getting started.

For some 2000 years, the ramifications of Easter have played out in our world. Could anyone imagine how the world would be subsequently shaped by Jesus and His Good News? The answer is no. It begs the question; can anyone imagine what future history will also look like because of Jesus? Just recently, we considered some verses from Revelation 21, which speak of the Bride of Christ and the Eternal City. The future vision has been spelt out, but the history in between, we can only imagine.

This Easter might I suggest that you dream about the future God might be calling you into? You might feel in the middle of chaos, or you might feel that the party is over. Amongst an infinite number of lessons, Easter teaches us an obvious lesson which we forget in the chaos and in the quiet: God is at work and there is more to come! What limits us, is our understanding and our imagination.

What's next for you? What's next for Park End Presbyterian Church? Some of us might feel we have very poor understanding and are not very imaginative. That's OK, because as Paul says in Ephesians 3:20;

Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us

Do you get the point? Whether it was John watching the crucifixion or Mary at the Tomb, they didn't know or could ever imagine what God was going to do next, but something was going to happen and Christ's power was at work in them. That friends, opens up exciting possibilities for our future in Christ. What will Christ do next? We might not know, but still let's dare to believe that it could be something big, because His power is at work in us!

Rev Wayne Adams

Prayer @ Park End

In addition to praying together during our Sunday Services and house groups, we come together as a church family at the weekly church prayer meetings. We do this to express our dependence on our heavenly Father and to seek his blessing on the church's people and activities, our local community and the wider world.

The prayer meeting is the “power-room” of church life

Please feel free to leave any prayer requests in the box at the back of the church....or even better, **come along and join us!**

When and Where

Every Tuesday in the middle hall
7:15pm - 8pm

3rd Sunday of each month in
the middle hall

10:15am - 10:45am

* Sunday 21st April

* Sunday 19th May

* Sunday 16th June

* Sunday 21st July

Park End House Groups

It's hard to be a Christian on your own! Whilst it's great to be part of the whole church community, we also need a place where we get to know other Christians well, and share the real issues of life and faith in a safe and supportive environment – and house groups are a great place to do that!

House groups are places where we can move forward on our faith journey together with others. They are places of fellowship, prayer, care, teaching and fun. Each house group is different and follows it's own programme, but above all, they're where we get to know each other - and God - better.

We've currently got 5 groups which meet during the week, involving lots of people so you would be in good company!

As mentioned at the recent church AGM, the Elders would very much like to encourage as many people as possible to join a house group. There are a variety of days and times to choose from.

You would be most welcome to try any of them out to see which one would suit you best! All groups are listed below and if you'd like to come along, please just speak or contact the group leader to confirm the exact date and time of the group.

Mondays (fortnightly): 2:30pm Chris & Olwen Sirrell

29 Heol-y-Delyn, Lisvane / 029 2075 7310 / csirrell@tiscali.co.uk

Wednesdays (fortnightly): 10am Jo Perry

9 Pendraw Place, Cyncoed / 029 2075 6427 / nickj_perry@yahoo.co.uk

Wednesdays (fortnightly): 8pm Tony & Gill Williams

6 St Gildas Road, Heath / 029 2061 7203 / tony.gillwilliams@gmail.com

Thursdays (fortnightly): 7:30 Paula Barrett (in Sam & Neil's home)

12 East Side Quarter, Llanedeyrn/07905 616037/paula.barrett487@gmail.com

Thursdays (fortnightly): 8pm Nick Perry

(This group will run if there are enough people wanting to attend)

9 Pendraw Place, Cyncoed / 029 2075 6427 / nickj_perry@yahoo.co.uk

Food For Thought

William Henry Davies wrote a poem which starts with these words
“What is this life if, full of care, we have no time to stand and stare”.

The World Health Organisation has described stress as the health epidemic of the 21st century.

We live in a society where people have been told that they can have it all. Family life, careers, leisure time can all fit into what has been called a work life balance. However rather than balance, many find themselves taking on more, and feeling greater pressure to perform better in all areas of life. The result...more stress and this is feeding a stressful society.

We are living in a 24/7 society which is on the go all the time. Obviously the Church needs to respond to these changes by involving people on weekdays but perhaps it is time for individuals to look at this whole issue through a new lens. Do we really need to be on an unforgiving treadmill that leaves us so exhausted that we find it almost impossible to invest in those things that really matter?

Christians are not immune from these stresses and as many Christians are caring, hard working and conscientious people, the impact can in fact be greater. It is worth remembering that God himself rested on the seventh day, and one can see why our forbears wanted to keep Sunday special both to attend Church and spend time with their families.

So at the end of the day what does really matter? Well Jesus summarised this into two commandments the first and most important one is to love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, mind and strength and the second one is to love your neighbour as yourself. In other words the most important things in life are relationships and above all others it is our relationship with God.

With good motives many of us become time poor as we try to pile in as many things as we can day in day out and as a result we squeeze out time for what surely is our most important relationship and that is our relationship with God.

Some of the key requirements of a healthy and strong relationship are trust, honesty, commitment, communication, quality time together, unselfishness, forgiveness and kindness or love.

In the letter to the Ephesians (chapter four) Paul says that God's people should be built up to become mature Christians. To mature in our faith we need to invest in some of those requirements for strong and healthy relationships. In particular, communication by prayer, and quality time in reading our bibles. This may involve a complete rethink of our priorities and in all honesty we may need to make sacrifices.

Due to some of the points raised earlier, people in the 21st century find it hard to commit to organisations (not just churches) because they cannot cope with added responsibilities.

Whilst this is understandable it is something that can be changed if a Christian is prepared to pray about his or her lifestyle, and bring it honestly before God. Ask Jesus to show if things need tweaking to create more relational time with both him and other people, and in doing this maybe we can create time to stand and stare, and to appreciate all that Jesus has done for us.

Nick Perry

Food Bank Update

Many thanks to all those of you who contribute food and money to Cardiff Food bank. I can assure you that everything is much appreciated.

I am sorry that there appears to have been some confusion over what needs to be donated. Frankly anything you donate is welcome, so please don't feel constrained. However, because of supermarket collections, sometimes they have a glut of certain items. I try to find out what they are short of and put that suggestion in the weekly notices, but it is only a suggestion. I wouldn't want anybody feeling that people in Food Bank were being prescriptive!

Thank you, all of you, for your continued support.

Sue Roberts

Summary of Treasurer's Report at AGM

Looking at the balance sheet, we have a lot of money £175,000. However £36,000 in the general account built up because we had no minister and will soon be used up when we have a minister. Even now £10,400 of it had to be paid out in January for the connexional levy. **Income received in 2018 was £6670 less than 2017.**

The Youth fund is restricted for youth work and the Reserve fund is also restricted.

The capital fund of £98,000 contains £55,000 (the remainder of the Building Fund set up from the generous bequest under the will of Derek Fearn). This will cover removal costs, decoration and modernisation of the manse when we have a new minister, whilst £20,000 was agreed to be used for youth work - leaving £43,500 useable in the Capital account.

Although the church building has been refurbished, there will still be on going expenditure as with one's own house. This year we had a leak from the leaded lights in the sanctuary window. The cheapest remedy was to have double glazing fitted to the outside of the window which cost £6000 including scaffolding.

Whereas on paper we appear rich, I find it difficult. If we were a company, our shareholders would be selling their shares as quickly as possible. Likewise for a church to survive, it should at least receive sufficient income to cover its expenditure.

Because we have a problem in that our membership is reducing, our financial income reduces and a shortfall increases each year. We had a drop in income of £6,670 last year and there will be a deficit next year of at least that. At present we can look to gift aid tax refund to offset the shortfall but this also will be used up.

We can do little to reduce expenditure - £41,600 has to be paid to the denomination - **£185 per member**. Our income was £76,500. However things are not as black as they look. Our expenditure in 2019 will be in region of £83,000. An average contribution of **£480 a year** or **£40 a month** from every member would cover this. Some of our members are paying

this, and many times more, which in the past has covered those paying less. Reduction in giving this year is due to only a couple of people who have died. £25,800 of the offertory which with gift aid is worth £32,250 comes from 15 members. Whilst we have ample funds at

the minute, we cannot be complacent. For members paying less than £10 a week every extra pound would help and be much appreciated.

Again **any tax payers who have not covenanted, please do so**. A reminder to those who do covenant, check that your tax paid at least covers a quarter of your donations otherwise the tax collector will be looking to you to cover any shortfall. Standing Orders are a handy way to give regularly & save having to remember an envelope each week.

As usual I thank Ed Garner for checking our accounts and Graham Payne for signing them off as examiner; our building group, Ashley, Neil and Nick who spend considerable time in looking after the building; all those who look after the cleaning of the sanctuary, the kitchen and other duties, all saving us money; Bob and Kenny for their work; my helpers on a Sunday evening in counting the collection and above all, **you the members in your financial support of the church**.

Chris Sirrell

Shower Room

At the recent church AGM, members were made aware of the following suggestion that had been raised in church committee.

The proposal is to adapt the existing disabled toilet, to add a level access shower facility. We believe that this could be a useful addition which would not only be available to members, the uniformed organisations and youth groups, but also as an integral part of an outreach project, where we could offer shower facilities to the homeless individuals that Andy Webb has built a relationship with. With this additional facility it would be possible to offer a meal, shower and a change of clothes to those who might not otherwise have the opportunity to maintain their dignity and hygiene.

The cost of the project has been estimated at around £5,000 to complete, and includes the removal and re-fitting of all the sanitary ware, the

disposal of one of the basins, the replacement of the baby changing table with a vertical rather than a horizontal one (to allow an amount of additional space to be gained), plus the fitting of a level access shower and shower seat.

We would like to know whether this is something that members would like to support, either financially, by way of donations towards the cost, or by the offer of help? Please feedback to your Elder or Andy Webb.

Park End Through the Ages

Park End was rebuilt over fifty years ago. Before that we had a smaller sanctuary and, where the middle hall is there was a narrow room. Down steps on the car park side of the church was the church hall, built of asbestos!

The outside steps to the hall posed a problem one Easter. The Sunday school used to hold Christmas parties. One year these were postponed until Easter as snow had made the steps too dangerous to access!

The rebuilding of the church took place over a couple of years. The hall was taken down first and the new main hall, kitchen, toilets and middle hall were built before, finally, the sanctuary was extended. While the sanctuary was being extended we held our services in the new large hall.

For many years Rev. Geraint Nantlais Williams was our minister. He knew that Park End needed more accommodation and helped to organise the plans for rebuilding. Although we were able to borrow some money and had some grants. Geraint, or Nantlais as he was know, wanted all the members to play a part in the programme. He visited the homes of every member to ask them, if it were possible to make a financial contribution. We were a large congregation & the visits took some time!

Geraint had a wonderful wife and support, Gwen. As the rebuilding was going on she was found to have cancer and sadly she died on the day the new church was due to open; but the work was not complete! Gwen's funeral took place in the new hall. The stained glass window in the church is a memorial to her.

After Geraint and Gwen, David and Joan Goodfellow followed, then Keith

and Joyce Hawkins and our last ministry was Robert and Jacqui Bebb. We have been blessed. The wives have always been an important part of the ministry. In different ways they have supported their husbands and ministered to us too.

We look forward now and pray that those who come to Park End next will lead us into a new and challenging part of the church life here. May God bless them.

Gill Williams

Fair Trade News

Since I last wrote, we have had some very successful stalls and events. Our November shopping weekend was well attended, although we'd still love to welcome more of you this year! Our Sunday stalls continue to be popular. If there is anything in particular you would like us to supply, please let one of us know!

Do remember, too, that our **Sunday stalls** usually coincide with Foodbank donations. Toiletries are always acceptable, as are biscuits, coffee, tea, pasta, rice, jam, and chocolate. Buying just one item helps two causes!

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Traidcraft: as you may be aware, Traidcraft has had to make changes to what it supplies. Fortunately, it will continue to provide some of its successful "grocery" products; but the range of crafts and fashions is likely to be reduced. **Fair Do's** in Canton carries a wide range of products from other **fair trade** suppliers, so there will still be plenty of the things you love!

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Stockroom: there have been a number of problems with the Stockroom over the last year or so. Money and stock have gone missing, a total of more than £100 between August and December last year.

Following discussions at Church Committee, it was agreed that the Stockroom key is to be kept in a key-safe, rather than hanging on a hook. This means only those who regularly use the Stockroom will have access to the key-code, which will be changed regularly. If you would like to be added to the list of those who are kept informed, then please let us know. Otherwise one of us will happily collect something from there for you - usually Jan Tucker or Janet Chapman are around each Sunday morning.

We are so very sorry that this has to happen in a church. We have successfully operated an “honesty policy” for a number of years, but cannot continue to sustain such losses.

Thank you for your continued support.

Jan, Janet and Elsa



Youth Matters

“For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.” JOHN 3:16

Happy Easter everyone!

Personally, we are doing fine and praising God for His blessings in our lives. Jeremiah and Esther are growing fast and we are enjoying every moment with them too. We want to **thank you** for your continued support to us. We thank and praise God daily for your friendship and support to us, we really are truly thankful to you! I am faithfully serving God in all my work. We hope you are all well; we would love to hear from you as we pray for you.

As you may know, we have recently shared some exciting news with you, we will be moving to Melksham, England after Easter. I have been called to Pastor a church (Part time; 4 days) as well as doing 3 years at Bristol Baptist College (1 day a week). This will hopefully enable me to become an Accredited Baptist Minister (subject to passing exams and the interviews during the course!). We are very excited about this opportunity but equally sad to leave Park End Church.

Alanna and I started our work at Park End in 2011 as an engaged couple, 8 years on and we are happily married and have 2 kids by the grace of God. So, thanks to all of you for your love, care and input in our lives, we praise God for you.

This is a huge step of faith for us in many ways and we will be financially on a lower salary. Additionally we will have to fund my studies and my visa is up for renewal this year which will cost us a whopping £3600. I will be

applying for 'Indefinite Leave to Remain' and then I would be eligible for British citizenship.

Moreover, we believe in a faithful God who is able to do anything! We ask, in faith, that you will stand with us in this exciting adventure that we are on and pray with us as we explore all God has for us in this next season of our life.

Junior Church

one: For Year 7 onwards

In Zone, we have been doing 'Youth Alpha' with the young people. They have come to our house for food and then we do the Alpha course together. Please pray for our older young people as there is a lot of pressure on them due to exams and other pressures that our young people are facing.

In **Rock Solid** (Wednesdays fortnightly on 7pm-8.30pm), we are also doing Youth Alpha, and have had 30 young people attending. I will be handing over the running of this club to **Nicola Roylance**, a youth worker from Caerphilly.

I want to thank all my leaders who so faithfully serve in this group. I have loved working with you and pray that God will continue to bless you and all that you do for Him.

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Big Fish (Thursdays 4pm-5.15pm for ages 4-9)

We have been looking at 'Faithful Men and Women of the Old Testament'. We looked at the story of Joseph and will be finishing this term with the story of Moses. It has been such a privilege to serve in this group and to see all the children engaging and learning about our Lord Jesus Christ. Again, I want to say a huge Thanks to all my wonderful leaders, who have been serving in this club for several years now. I thank God for you and pray that He will continue to bless you all.

Additionally, all our schoolwork has been tremendous fun this term. It is a real joy to watch the children hear that God loves us and forgives us, even though we don't deserve it.

Our service called "**Late-Late-Breakfast**" has been a great service that I have loved running and I want to thank all who have helped me in the smooth running of LLB.

Thanks again for all your support and encouragement to us - we really do appreciate it! It has been a great pleasure to work at Park End Church serving our amazing and living God. I will be praying that God will continue to shower His blessings on Park End Church. Finally, we wish you all a very Happy Easter! With love and prayers

Josh Parmar - Ministerial Assistant & Youth Worker, Park End Church

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Junior Church

It has been great to welcome some new children to Junior Church who have been coming to Big Fish and also to be able to give out Bibles to those who have moved onto the older group.

We are looking at the Life of the Early Church in Acts this term alongside collecting Easter Eggs for Romania and monetary donations for 'Noah's Ark'.

Thank you to everyone who helped with the Easter Eggs – Alan Penrose was thrilled and has passed them onto a friend of his who is continuing to travel there.

We will be holding our usual cake sale for Christian Aid at the end of the morning service on **Sunday May 12th**.

Please do come along and support this event!

Jo Perry

Walk in my Shoes



For the past couple of months some of the children from Junior Church and Big Fish have been donating their old shoes and socks to be sent to children in Zambia. The organisers of the project took hundreds of pairs of over on their recent trip and here a few photos of the proud new owners! Thank you to everyone who donated.

We will continue to support this project so anyone who still wishes to donate can leave shoes and socks in the box in the church porch. There is a suggested donation of £1 per pair of shoes if at all possible, to assist with transport costs.

Thank you

Ps one of the pairs of shoes in the pictures above, came from a child here in Park End!





April

- 14th 11am Mr Josh Parmar
When Hope Gets Put on Hold – Gen 40
6pm Mr Josh Parmar
- 19th 11am Mr Josh Parmar - Good Friday
- 21st 11am Rev Wayne Adams - Holy Communion - Easter Sunday
6pm Rev Wayne Adams
- 28th 11am Rev John James - Parade Service
Learning to Believe – Matthew 16v13-25
6pm Rev John James

May

- 5th 11am Rev Peter Milsom - Holy Communion
Becoming Fruitful in the Land of your Affliction - Gen 41
6pm Rev Peter Milsom
- 12th 11am Rev David Jenkins
6pm Joint Service - Christian Aid (NOT at Park End)
- 19th 11am Rev John James - Family Service
Learning to Follow – Matthew 17v1-8, 19v23-30
6pm Rev John James - Holy Communion

26th 11am Mr Nick Perry
Reunion or Reconciliation? – Gen 42

6pm Rosemary Aldis

June

2nd 11am Rev Peter Milsom - Holy Communion
Making Peace – Gen 43

6pm Rev Peter Milsom

9th 11am Mr Luke Moreno
Reconciled at Last- Gen 44v1- 45v15

4:30pm Rev Wayne Adams

16th 11am Jim Griffiths - Family Service

Learning to Serve – John 13v1-17

6pm Rev David Smith - Healing Service & Holy Communion

23rd 11am Rev John James

From Famine to Fortune – Gen 45v16-46v27

6pm Rev John James

30th 11am Rev Helen Paynter

Better Than We Deserve – Gen 46 v28-47v31

6pm Rev Helen Paynter

July

7th 11am Rev Peter Milsom - Holy Communion
Famous Last Words – Gen 47v28-48v22

6pm Rev Peter Milsom

14th 11am Rev Wayne Adams

Mixed Blessings - Gen 49 v1-28

6pm Rev Wayne Adams

21st 11am Rev John James - Family Service

Learning to Love - John 13v31 – 14v4

6pm Rev John James - Holy Communion

28th 11am Pamela Simmonds

6pm Rev Wayne Adams

Please note that the pulpit rota may change and the service themes provided are just suggestions for those visiting Ministers who wish to have a theme!

Thursday Bible Study Fellowship

We send our best wishes to Keith Daw who had an accident some weeks ago. We hope that he will soon be mobile again and maybe join with us again.

We finished our series on the Covenant and had a brief look at some of the Bible prayers.

For Lent we are using the Lent study guides provided by the charities Embrace and Leprosy Mission.

Everyone is welcome to come along to our group and we meet on Thursdays at 7:30pm in the middle hall.

Beryl Wensley

Trefoil Guild

We were sorry that during the Christmas period one of our members was ill and has since died. Thelma was one of our founder members and Chairman, and was a very talented and faithful member. Thelma was a loyal member of Christchurch.

Our AGM was held in January and we celebrated Thinking Day in February by having a talk about the Aborigines.

Plans are going ahead for summer activities and we would welcome any new members to join us.

Beryl Wensley

CAMEO

CAMEO are all ready for the summer. Here is our forthcoming programme. You would be most welcome to join us for any or all of our sessions! Meetings are held on Tuesdays at 2:30pm except for the lunches which start at 1pm.

For any further information, please speak to Pat Heap.

Pat Heap

Telephone: 029 20763439 / Email: pheap1999@yahoo.com

Summer 2019 Programme

30 th April	The History of Lisvane and Llanishen Reservoirs Mr Richard Cowie
7 th May	The Diaries of Henry Fothergill - Mrs Ann Konsbruck
14 th May	Beetle Drive
21 st May	Outing

Saturday Coffee Morning

Once again I would like to thank everyone who regularly make cakes and serves the coffee each Saturday morning.

We would like to thank our regular customers too, who come in all weathers to enjoy cakes and coffee. It is a time to catch up on news and enjoy many topics of conversation. The numbers remain small and it would be encouraging if more people joined us.

While enjoying ourselves we also raise money for charity. In 2018 £600 was raised and the following charities have benefited:

Huggard Centre	£100
Amelia Trust	£100
Velindre Hospital	£100
Vision of Hope	£100
African Mothers (Angela Gorman)	£100
Park End Church	£100

Olwen Sirrell

15th Cardiff (Park End) Brownie Pack

We have had another busy time in Brownies. Although we are few in number, we are able to spend quality time with one another.

During the last term of the year, we held a sponsored silence during which the Brownies were silent for one hour! The money raised went towards our annual donation to Park End. Well done girls!

Last November we went on a trip to Cardiff's New Theatre to see the Cardiff Scout and Guide Gang Show. The show was brilliant and the girls enjoyed the singing and dancing of the cast made up of members of Cardiff and the Vale Scouts and Cardiff and East Glamorgan Guides.

Christmas was celebrated with crafts and we held a Christmas party to end the year.

The new term began with looking at the Brownie Promise and Law. The girls made posters for the notice board. We also had activities on "getting to know you" and learning to listen to one another. We held games and a quiz night.

In February we celebrated World Thinking Day. We collected *Thinking Day Pennies* for the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts (WAGGGS) which have been sent to the World Thinking Day Fund to promote and support Guiding overseas.

Trefoil member Miss Beryl Wensley joined us and shared some of her adventures visiting Guiding Centres around the world. We made and sent Thinking Day cards to Guiding friends and held a special Thinking Day Church Parade service.

The girls enjoyed the Chocolate evening when we made cakes and dipped fruit and marshmallows into melted chocolate. The following week we had a sports and exercise night!

Two of the girls have gained the Hostess Badge. Well done Niamh and Holly and thanks to Mrs Sue Kilby for coming along to test them. We enjoyed the delicious refreshments.

Mother's Day cards and crafts have been made and we look forward to more craft for Easter.

5th Cardiff (Park End) Guide Unit

The Guides also took part in our annual sponsored silence and stayed quiet for one & a half hours...this proved more of a challenge for some!

Eleri made her Guide Promise around the Church Christmas tree.

We went to see the Scout and Guide Gang Show in the New Theatre and an ex Guide Jessica joined us. It was a great night.

The Guides organised the Brownie Christmas party. They brought food and organised the games for the Brownies.

The Guides plan and carry out their own choice of activities within the Programme. They need some help sometimes but one night they planned a "fondue evening" on the same night as the Brownies held the Chocolate evening. The Guides brought along a chocolate fountain and had fun dipping fruit and marshmallows.

The Guides made a birthday card for our ex Leader Kirsty who is studying in York, Thinking Day Cards and also Mother's Day cards.

Over the past few weeks the girls planned and performed a Talent Show for the Brownies. Some great talent was shown from playing musical instruments - guitar and ukulele, to gym and hula hooping!

Both the Brownies & Guides are looking forward to the summer term, when hopefully we will be able to enjoy the outdoors in the local area.

Sue Hawkins.

Brownie & Guide Leader

Contribution from the Guides

"In Guides we do lots of fun activities like: crafts, badges, making delicious treats, exploring different cultures and languages and showing our skills in talent shows."

We would like to see more Brownies join the Pack. If you know of any girls aged 7 – 10 years and would benefit from joining Guiding.

Please let Sue Hawkins know.

Message of Thanks



Thank you so much for all of the support, prayers, cards and visits while I was in hospital.

Thank you, also, for the good wishes on my recent 60th birthday. I feel very blessed to have so many caring friends."

Claire Butler.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank members and friends of Park End for the kindness shown over recent weeks. We feel very blessed to be part of a loving and caring fellowship.

Keith is now home from hospital after fracturing his femur in a nasty fall. Keith has been 'pinned' back together and is pleased to be home again. Progress is slow but sure. Keith would like to thank you for the many cards and visits, which were much appreciated.

Louise would like to thank all her friends in Park End for the cards and presents received on her birthday. Louise is doing ok and able to get out and about with her carers.

Thank you all for your continued support to us as a family. 'I feel like the last man standing!'

God Bless you All

Elaine Daw and family x

Can You Help?



Our tea & coffee after the morning service is an opportunity to connect with others – it helps to make newcomers feel welcome and cared for, and it also enables people to catch up and have meaningful conversations after our Sunday morning services.

We are so grateful to the amazing team of volunteers who serve God in this way and would like to lighten their load! Also, several volunteers who have been serving tea and coffee after our Family & Parade services, are no longer able to do so, so we are urgently looking for volunteers to help out.

Whether it's once a year or once a month, please just let us know what you could offer, as we would be most grateful for your help.

If anyone is willing to help in this way, please contact:

Olwen Sirrell: 029 2075 7310/csirrell@fiscali.co.uk

Or the Administrator:

Gillian Hughes: admin@parkendcardiff.org.uk

Ladies Guild Spring Programme

There is one remaining event in the spring calendar:

Wednesday 17th April

Coffee at Thornhill Church

Please meet in Park End Church car park at 10:15am

Any queries, please contact Eunice: 2076 5735 or Elaine: 2076 4770

All welcome!

Cardiff Street Pastors



Cardiff Street Pastors is a ministry in the city centre, working to be a prayerful, listening and caring presence between 10pm and 4am each Friday and Saturday night. Street Pastors are trained volunteers who care about their community. They are there to care, to listen and to help: to show the love of Jesus in practical ways and help many vulnerable people.

Cardiff Street Pastors are looking for new volunteers to train as Street Pastors (and volunteer for one patrol a month), They will be starting their next training course after Easter and are also looking for new recruits to be on the Night Base Team.

The Night Base team stay behind at their base and the Street Pastors call them periodically to ask them to pray for specific situations they encounter. They also support the Street Pastors when they are back at base for a break. They volunteer once a month, and are a vital part of the Street Pastor team.

To find out more about what it's like to be a Street Pastor or Night Base Volunteer, contact, Jackie Bradshaw, Street Pastor Coordinator on 02920 512247 or cardiff@streetpastors.org.uk

Sine Nomine Singers



St Teilo's Arts Presents 15th Anniversary Concert ~ Sine Nomine Singers

Choral Music Through the Ages

Saturday 11th May - 7pm

Entry by programme at door £6

St Teilo's Church, Woodville Road, Cathays, Cardiff

The concert will include a performance of Benjamin Britten's Hymn to St. Cecilia. Born on St Cecilia's day, 22 November, Britten long desired to compose a setting of an ode to the patron saint of music. He was working on the manuscript when he and his partner, Peter Pears, set sail for England from New York in 1942. In fact, customs officials confiscated the manuscript, fearing it may contain coded information! This didn't deter Britten, however, who simply set about re-recording the work from memory. The work is one of Britten's last collaborations with WH Auden and follows in a long English tradition of odes to the saint.

There are two contemporary works included, "O Salutaris Hostia" for two Sopranos and Choir by the Latvian Composer Emils Esenvalds. Also "Let My Love Be Heard" by the American composer Jake Runestade, composed in response to the Paris Terrorist Attacks of 2016.

There will also be Motets and anthems by Victoria, Gibbons, Scarlatti, Purcell, Wesley Rheinberger, and Stanford. We will be using also the newly acquired St. Teilo's Church Chamber Organ. This was built originally by Peter Hindmarsh for Benjamin Britten at the Snape Maltings. It is now permanently back here in Cardiff.

**Do come along for an enjoyable evening, and support St. Teilo's Arts,
and the Sine Nomine Singers.**

Church Family News

Nancy Collins had been a member since 1962 and although she was a very private person, she nevertheless attended morning worship regularly until her relatively short illness prevented her attending.

Nancy was a keen golfer in her time, but it was her family that was most important to her and she loved being with family, especially her grandchildren.

We remember them at this time of parting and pray that they will all know God's peace and comfort in the coming days.

Anne Davies came into membership in 1980 and was very faithful in worship until ill health took its toll. Anne had a very busy life and her work took her to Germany at one time, where she worked for the Foreign Office. She ended her working life at the Cardiff Arms Park.

In her leisure time, she was a very keen bowler. Although she had no family of her own, she had nephews and nieces here in Cardiff and abroad and it is to them that we offer our sympathy in their sad loss and assure them of our prayers in the days to come.

It was in 1994 that **Elizabeth Rogers**, together with her husband, Bill, joined Park End Church. She was very diligent in worship at morning service and was for many years a loved member of the Ladies Guild.

A teacher by profession, she taught in Roath Primary and Trowbridge Infants School, where she had several generations in her classes!

We are very sorry to lose her from our fellowship and we extend to Bill, Morgan, Rhys and their families our deepest sympathy in their sad loss.

As we went to press, we heard of the sad death of **Eleanor Batchelor**. We extend to Bruce, Helen, David and their families our deepest sympathy in their sad loss. An appreciation will appear in the next issue of the Survey.

Several of our members & friends have been in hospital and have had surgery. We are happy to report that they are now home & recovering slowly. We think of those who are in hospital, at home or in care homes whose health is not too good and we pray for their recovery too. We also remember those who have the burden of care and pray that they will be given the strength to meet the needs of each new day.

Iris Taylor

Rotas

Porch Duty

14th April	AM: Sally Evans	PM: Chris Sirrell
21st April	AM: Alan Thomas	PM: Gaynor Burnett
28th April	AM: Bruce Batchelor	PM: Julie Emlyn-Jones
5th May	AM: Bruce Batchelor	PM: Iris Taylor
12th May	AM: Chris Williams	PM: No Service
19th May	AM: Douglas Gowans	PM: Brian Davies
26th May	AM: David Mallett	PM: Alan Thomas
2nd June	AM: Helen Beale	PM: Pat Heap
9th June	AM: Martin Taylor	PM: Julie Walters
16th June	AM: Neil Whittington	PM: Chris Sirrell
23rd June	AM: Rowland Davies	PM: Gaynor Burnett
30th June	AM: Sian Davies	PM: Julie Emlyn-Jones
7th July	AM: Sam Whittington	PM: Iris Taylor
14th July	AM: Sue Roberts	PM: Brian Davies
21st July	AM: Sally Evans	PM: Alan Thomas
28th July	AM: Alan Thomas	PM: Pat Heap

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Sunday Teas & Coffees

14th April	Melanie & Jeanette
21st April	Gillian & Richard
28th April	Joan & Nick
5th May	Chris & Nick
12th May	Melanie & Jeanette
19th May	Anne Garner & Jan Lines
26th May	Joan & Nick
2nd June	Chris & Nick
9th June	Melanie & Jeanette
16th June	Jo & Nick
23rd June	Joan & Nick
30th June	Chris & Nick

Washing Communion Glasses

21st April (AM)	Jan, Betty, Julie & Margaret
5th May (AM)	Jan, Betty, Julie & Margaret
19th May (PM)	Joyce, Pat & Hazel
2nd June (AM)	Jan, Betty, Julie & Margaret
16th June (PM)	Joyce, Pat & Hazel
7th July (AM)	Angela, John, Olwynne & Val
21st July (PM)	Lorraine & David

Flowers

14th / 21st April	Gill Williams & Val Hooper
28th April / 5th / 12th / 19th May	Eunice Webb & Pat Roberts
26th May / 2nd / 9th / 16th June	Olwen Sirrell & Diane Robbins
23rd / 30th June / 7th / 14th July	Paula Barrett & Julie Emlyn-Jones
21st & 28th July	Jean Hobbs & Anne Halton

Tuesday Prayer Meeting

16th April	Beryl Wensley
23rd April	TBC
30th April	Iris Taylor
7th May	TBC
14th May	Sue Hawkins
21st May	Nick Perry
28th May	Andy Webb
4th June	Beryl Wensley
11th June	TBC
18th June	Iris Taylor
25th June	TBC
2nd July	Sue Hawkins
9th July	Nick Perry
16th July	Andy Webb
23rd July	Beryl Wensley
30th July	TBC

Saturday Teas & Coffee

20th April	Julie Emlyn Jones & Mavis Davies
27th April	Iris Taylor & Irene Mallett
4th May	Elaine Daw & Janet Chapman
11th May	NO COFFEE MORNING (Wedding)
18th May	Julie Emlyn-Jones
25th May	Pat Roberts & Janet Strong
1st June	Jo Perry & Barbara Lloyd
8th June	Diane Robbins & Margaret Fieldhouse
15th June	Jean Hobbs & Hazel Baldwin
22nd June	Julie Emlyn-Jones & Mavis Davis
29th June	Iris Taylor & Irene Mallett
6th July	Elaine Daw & Janet Chapman
13th July	Olwen & Chris Sirrell
20th July	Julie Emlyn-Jones
27th July	Pat Roberts & Janet Strong

Sanctuary Cleaning

19th April	Bruce Batchelor & Taghrid Sarsam
26th April	Margaret Fieldhouse, Jean Hobbs & Sue Harris
3rd May	Pat Sweetnam, Olwynne Merriman & Julie Walters
10th May	Bob Webb & Mike Franklin
17th May	Diana Thomas & Sally Evans
24th May	Val Hooper, Derek Hooper & Julie Emlyn-Jones
31st May	Iris Taylor, Pat Roberts & Olwen Sirrell
7th June	Ken Hobbs, Irene Mallett and Susanne Chapple
14th June	Bruce Batchelor & Taghrid Sarsam
21st June	Margaret Fieldhouse, Jean Hobbs & Sue Harris
28th June	Pat Sweetnam, Olwynne Merriman & Julie Walters
5th July	Bob Webb & Mike Franklin
12th July	Diana Thomas & Sally Evans
19th July	Val Hooper, Derek Hooper & Julie Emlyn-Jones
26th July	Iris Taylor, Pat Roberts & Olwen Sirrell



Meet the Neighbours

There are lots of great events happening at Rhydypennau Library!

Literary Notes is held on the last Saturday morning of every month at 11am with refreshments provided.

Saturday April 27 th	Gerard and Sally with Poetry and Song
Saturday May 25 th	The ever popular singers, Graham and Ian
Saturday June 29 th	Operatic hour with Cardiff High 6 th form (tbc)
Saturday July 27 th	The Penylan Singers
Saturday August 24 th	Ukulele Nights

Evening Author Talk

Morgan Jones, ex spy and now an espionage writer will be at Rhydypennau on 1st May at 7.30pm. No charge but booking essential.

Daytime Author Talk

An afternoon tea with Ann Cleeves, Crime writer (of the Vera and Shetland series on TV). She will be at the Rhydypennau library on Thursday 12th September at 2pm. Signed copies of her books are available. There is a charge of £2 a ticket - redeemable against a book purchase. This event is likely to be a sell out!

Film Nights are usually held every other month on a Wednesday, please ask in the library for more details.

The events above are all run alongside our usual adult and children's events such as rhyme time, story time, family history classes, games afternoons, knit and natter, creative writing for adults and children, Goldies singing, singing for pleasure and more.

*Please be aware that the library will be undergoing some building work in the latter part of this year so our programme may change slightly.

For any further information or to make a booking, please contact:

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Susanna Thomas

Quiet Garden

A quiet space for quiet times in Llanishen

Quiet Space in Llanishen is a project of Llanishen and District Churches Together, serving the local community and is affiliated to the Quiet Garden Movement.

The Quiet Garden can be found in the grounds of the Methodist Church, Melbourne Road (off Fidas Road), Llanishen, CF14 5NH, and is open to the public every day during daylight hours.

The events listed below take place at the Quiet Garden or inside the premises of the Methodist Church.

ANNUAL SERVICE OF REDEDICATION

Saturday 1st June 2019, 11am, Led by Rev Phil Drake

Please join us for a light buffet after the service.

SUMMER REFLECTION

Wednesday 17th July 2019, 10am for 10:30am

Join us for a half hour of prayer and reflection this summer on the theme of honesty and truth. Tea and coffee served from 10am.

AUTUMN REFLECTION

Thursday 19th September, 2pm for 2:30pm

Join us for the last of 2019's reflections, '**Garden of Memories**'.

A half hour of prayer and silence. Tea and coffee served from 2pm.

In 2019, we will also be meeting on the 1st Monday of each month, (weather permitting), from 10:30am to 1pm to maintain the garden. If you would like to help for some or all of the time, please come along any time from 10:30am.

For further information please contact

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"Come with me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest"

Mark 6:31



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