

Members Minutes of Elders' Session – 27th March 2018

1. 4 apologies were received. 14 in attendance, including Josh Parmar. Keith Daw was in the Chair.
2. Minutes of the meeting on 27th February were approved and signed by Keith Daw, to be passed to DW for reference.
3. Matters Arising:
 - a bouquet of flowers and card were presented to Iris Taylor in recognition of her 30 years' service as Church Secretary. She retires on 1st April.
 - Palm Sunday – a large number of children from Junior Church and Big Fish took part in the morning service, then stayed on for Junior Church. Their participation was much enjoyed; and it was noted that many of their families also came. Josh was congratulated.
6. Easter Services and outreach: Hot Cross Bun distribution on 31/3/18. Josh will take the Good Friday service. Christian Aid lunch will follow the service. Easter Morning Communion service and Junior Church. New members are to be welcomed into membership (postponed from March due to inclement weather). Easter Evening service in the Sanctuary as usual.
7. AGM: this had to be postponed from 18th March because of bad weather. It will now take place on 8th April, 4.00pm. Tony or David Williams will Chair the meeting. Owing to the absence of the Administrator, Irene Mallett has kindly agreed to take Minutes.
8. Future services:
 - 13th May and 10th June will be “contemporary” services. 8th July is the Cardiff Velothon event. Luke Merino will lead worship in the car park that morning.
 - RT informed Session that 17th June is designated as “Invitation Weekend” – a reworking of “Back to Church Sunday”. There was a discussion as to whether we wished to take part in this event at Park End – it will be a Family Service, and it was suggested that Big Fish/Rock Solid families could be invited. **No decision was made at the meeting: left on the table for next time.**
 - There was a suggestion made that Late Late Breakfast might be renamed, perhaps as “Café Church”, as some people don't quite understand its title. **There was a brief discussion, but no decision made.**
9. Update from groups:
 - Next Pastorate meeting 17th April.
 - No other updates or reports to record.
10. Focus for next Session: **future ministry, church secretary, Christian Aid Week.**
11. Prayer Points: Alpha, Easter, Pastorate, new members, AGM
12. Date of next meeting: Tuesday 1st May 2018 8.00pm
13. AOB:

- A discussion took place regarding the process followed with requests for church funding **It was suggested and agreed that the matter be taken to Committee on 3rd April, then communicated to the membership at the AGM**
- Bob Webb asked if some sort of artwork be added to the Middle Hall in order to break up the bare walls. One suggestion was that the tapestry of The Last Supper could be moved from the Vestry; another was that something in memory of Derek Fearn could be bought, to remember his generous legacy to Park End. **No decision made at the meeting.**
- Sue Hawkins gave a report from Presbytery: a reminder of the Fifa tournament at Treceynydd 21/04 2-6pm; Wayne Adams has been appointed by Presbytery to pastor a number of small churches; next Presbytery meeting 28/04 10.00am at Ystrad Mynach.
- Keith Daw informed the Session that he wishes to step down with immediate effect from his role giving a welcome to visiting ministers, and church announcements each Sunday. He has carried out this role for nearly 40 years. Session thanked him for his great diligence and loyal service. **It was agreed that Nick Perry would be asked to take over the role. Richard Barrett and Janet Chapman are happy to step in when needed; and Josh when he is leading a service. Richard will give the welcome on Easter Sunday. Mike Franklin will be approached with regard to the evening services. Bob Webb is also happy to fill in.**

There being no further business, the Session closed with the saying of the Grace.

Agenda Elders' Session 1st May 2018

1. Apologies
2. Church Report
3. Prayer
4. Minutes and actions:
 - o Roath Park Service
 - o Middle Hall
 - o Church Secretary
 - o Matters arising from AGM
 - o Invitation Weekend
 - o Late Late Breakfast
5. Post Morning service arrangements
6. Update from groups
7. Report from Josh
8. Focus of next Session

9. Prayer Points

10. Date of next meeting - 29th May 2018

11. AOB