



**GILGAL BAPTIST**  
CHURCH

To know Jesus better, and to make Him better known

Park Avenue, Porthcawl

Registered Charity 1134864



### Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> September

**Onsite services at Park Avenue, led by our Pastor, Rev Martin Gillard**

**10:30am Family Celebration Service**

**Sermon Theme: Ready to Launch**

**Bible Reading: 1 Corinthians 13:1-13**

**5:00pm Disciples Service**

**Series Theme: People of Prayer**

**Today's Sermon Theme: The Real Lord's Prayer**

**Bible Reading: John 17:1-26**

**This service includes Holy Communion**

At the appropriate moment during our Family Celebration Service, children and carers can go to Sunday Club where they will receive a warm welcome.

If you are a visitor to our church, do please sign our visitors' book!

## **SPECIAL EVENTS THIS WEEK**

Our new Alpha Course starts on Thursday at 7pm – All welcome.  
See below for more details

### **Sunday**

Park Avenue	10:30am	Contemporary Worship Service
Park Avenue	5pm	Disciples Service

### **Monday**

22 Adrian Close	7.30pm	House Group
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### **Tuesday**

Y Centre	10am	Food Bank
John Street	11am	“Feet on the street”
Park Avenue	12 noon	Funeral of Terrence Murphy
19 Birch Walk	7pm	House Group

### **Wednesday**

Park Avenue	11am	Traditional service
Park Avenue	11:45am	Refreshments / Prayer Corner
Park Avenue	12:15pm	Lunch Club

### **Thursday**

Y Centre	10am	Food Bank
Park Avenue (Café)	2pm	Craft Group
Park Avenue (Hall)	2pm	House Group Leaders Meeting
Park Avenue	7pm	Alpha Course starts

### **Friday**

79 Fulmar Road	10am	House Group
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### **Saturday**

Park Avenue	9am	‘Deacons At Home’ - Vision Casting
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## **Prayer Needs & Praise Reports**

**Those Bereaved:** The family of Terrence Murphy, whose funeral is on Tuesday.  
Please remember the family in your prayers.

**Those at Home:** Dilwyn and Ann Jones; Hilary Oatridge; Jeff Harber; Terry Needs;  
Barbara Jenkins; Barbara Jones; Eirwen Harris.

**Those in Residential Care:** Ann Thomas (Picton Court); Doug Davies; Pat Eales;  
Diane Sheppard; Ann Lewis (Monkstone House); Beryl Surringer (Newton Care  
Home); Carole Vanden Branden (Breaksea); Margaret Carey-Jones (Glanffrwyd  
Pencoed).

**Please pray** for those of our fellowship who are out speaking today:-  
Rev. Clive Jones is speaking this morning at Hope Baptist Church, Llanelli.

**Praise Report:** Well done to Leanne Evans on raising £250 for cancer charities with her sponsored head shave. May the Lord bless you and heal you as you continue your medical treatment.

**Church Survey 2022:** Help us discern our strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and challenges by completing our church survey, copies of which are available on the way into church. The findings will help shape our goals for the next chapter of our church life and witness together. The deadline is this Sunday.

**Gilgal Ladies announce** their Autumn programme of meetings this Sunday! Please see Linda Harber for a leaflet giving you all the information you need to know. For any women who are on Facebook, you're very welcome to join our Gilgal Ladies Facebook page, where you'll find daily devotional thoughts and are able to stay connected with one another throughout the week. Search for "Gilgal Ladies" in groups on Facebook.

**Volunteers needed to help prepare communion.** Please sign up or see Ann Redhouse. Thanks to those who have recently added their names to the list.

**Several of our House Groups are restarting this week after the August break:** Check with your group leader if you are unsure. The group led by Ray Jefferies will be helping with Alpha and so will not reconvene until the end of the course. Please ring Caryl Gill (01656 785276) if you would like to join a group.

**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September from 11am to 1pm: Our "feet will be on the street"** as usual in front of the Museum. By the way, the Mobile Bookstall in the Church Cafe area shows some of our gospel tracts. You are very welcome to take a handful for your own personal use. In fact, studying them would enable you to answer the questions some folks have. See Gordon if you would like to know more – there are free bibles, new testaments and gospels.

**Harvest Home:** As harvest time approaches, the Community Team is proposing to place a "Harvest Home" table in the church café on Wednesdays and Sundays. This table will hold donations of any spare fruit, veg or plants people have grown in their gardens/allotments or any jams or chutneys etc. they have made. The produce will be available free of charge for anyone to take and use or, if they are able, they can make a small donation to Church Funds. Please contact Margaret Hornsby or Jacqui Crole for further information. PLEASE do get involved - bring your stuff, make your preserves and we'll give it a go - starting this coming Wednesday, 7th September.

**Craft Group is starting back on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> September at 2pm** and it will be every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month in term times, everyone is welcome. Just come for a cuppa and chat if you don't want to do anything, bring your friends along to the cafe. If you want any information speak to Jacqui Crole.

**Alpha Course:** We are planning to start the course on Thursday 8 September at 7pm with a **free** meal, followed by DVD's and discussion. There are information leaflets in the foyer. See Cathryn Hodges for details – sign up sheet in the cafe. Many thanks to all those who have agreed to help – with the food, the serving, the cleaning .... and the praying.

**A 'Deacons At Home'** vision casting day will be taking place on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> September. Please remember our leaders in your prayers.

**fellship** - we are planning a **men's breakfast for 9.30am on Saturday 17 September**. All men are welcome (particularly if they've not yet encountered Jesus!) and we look forward to Larry Knowles sharing the wonderful things the Lord has done in his life. Please arrive by 9.15am. We would welcome donations (£4 is suggested) towards the costs.

For our **Elvis Weekend outreach** on Saturday 24 September, we expect to have some Christian musicians singing **Elvis Gospel** songs at the Bandstand from 11am to 1pm. See Gordon if you may be able to help, for instance with giving out Christian literature. (N.B. We pay tribute to the Lord Jesus Christ!)

**There will be a Church Members Meeting** on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> September, 7pm.

**Our next Holy Spirit Night** will be on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September at 7pm. All welcome.

**First-aid course:** We are planning to hold a first-aid course in the church in the autumn, if you would be interested in attending please speak to Liz.

**If you would like to know more about** the Christian faith, about Gilgal church or to ask about Believers Baptism or Church Membership, please fill in a welcome card and hand it to our Pastor.

**News Sheet editing** - Malcolm Nicholas is temporarily undertaking the editing of the news sheet until Leanne resumes the role. Until further notice, news sheet items are to be emailed to Malcolm on [mjnicholas@outlook.com](mailto:mjnicholas@outlook.com)

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