



GILGAL BAPTIST
CHURCH

To know Jesus better, and to make Him better known

Park Avenue, Porthcawl

Registered Charity 1134864



Sunday 8th May 2022

Onsite services at Park Avenue

Our speaker this Sunday is Mark Gibson - Wales Mobiliser for SIM UK (Serving in Mission UK)

10.30am Family Celebration Service

Theme - Compelled by the Love of Christ

Reading - 2 Corinthians 5:11-15

5.00pm Evening Disciples Service

Theme - The work of SIM UK. SIM is a community of God's people committed to biblical truth, passionate about sharing the gospel worldwide.

Online Worship – Know Your S.H.A.P.E., E – Experiences

Bible Reading: 2 Corinthians 1:1-11 read by Alison Farrow

For those unable to attend in person, our Online Service is available on our website or our YouTube channel. We also have video recordings of our Disciples Service series 'Praise the LORD/Hallelujah', looking at what the bible says is the correct way to praise God. If you would like a copy, please contact our Pastor.

Prayer Needs & Praise Reports

At Home: Dilwyn and Ann Jones; Hilary Oatridge; Alan Lee; Lynda Edwards; Jeff Harber; Terry Needs.

In Residential Care: Ann Thomas (Picton Court); Doug Davies, Pat Eales (Monkstone House); Beryl Surringer (Newton Care Home); Carole Vanden Branden (Breaksea); Margaret Carey-Jones (Glanffrwyd, Pencoed); Sally Westwood (Brocastle Manor, Ewenny, Bridgend).

Please continue to pray for the people of Ukraine and Russia.

Please pray for those of our fellowship who are out speaking today: - Rev. Clive Jones is speaking this evening at Smyrna Baptist Church, Pen-y-Fai, Bridgend.

Prayer Chain Requests: To help ensure your prayer requests get circulated promptly, please send them to any two of the following: Rachel Phillips at crossmonster7@gmail.com, Alan Harris at a.harris476@btinternet.com or Caryl Gill at carylgill1@gmail.com. Alternatively, ring Alan on 01656 784118.

Please note: The last sermon from the 'Know your S.H.A.P.E.' series will be available online this Sunday 8 May. We will continue to publish full services from time to time, including music and songs, after special occasions such as baptisms, anniversaries etc. Thank you for your support and encouragement.

Bible study group meetings this week

Monday evening 7.30pm: Leaders John Hornsby/David Redhouse via Zoom (Meeting ID: 86333182507, Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86333182507>)

Tuesday morning 10:30am: Leaders Eirwen Harris/Megan Washbourne at 22 Adrian Close (the home of Eirwen Harris) – Home group for new Christians or those unfamiliar with studying the bible.

Tuesday evening 7pm: Leader David Porter via Zoom (Meeting ID: 85864047429, Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85864047429>)

Tuesday evening 7pm: Danygraig Home Group, Leader Gordon Lovering at 19 Birch Walk (the home of Gordon & Joyce Lovering).

Tuesday evening 7pm: Fulmar Road group, Leader Ray Jefferies via **Teams** and not Zoom! Here is the link to follow: [Click here to join the meeting](#)

Friday morning 10am: Leaders Carolynne Gillard/Caryl Gill/Linda Harber at 79 Fulmar Road (the home of Graham and Avis Watkins).

If you would like to join a bible study group/house group either face to face or on Zoom, we have both available on different days and at different times. Please contact Caryl Gill for details (carylgill1@gmail.com or 01656 785276).

Other activities this week:

There will be a performance of Karl Jenkins' The Armed Man - A Mass for Peace at All Saints Church on Sunday 8 May at 7.00p.m. with members of several local choirs including Chris Goldsworthy, Angela Mills, John and Cathryn Hodges, and with orchestral accompaniment. All proceeds are for The Ukraine and tickets at £10 (or £15 to include an additional donation) can be ordered in advance (Tel. 01656 857610 or see John Hodges) and paid for on the door.

Tuesdays on John Street 11.00 am to 1.00 pm opposite "The Y". See Gordon if you'd like to know more. By the way, if you would like to have some of the tracts for your own use, that can be arranged.

Ministry Team Meeting – the Communications team will be meeting on Zoom at 7pm on Thursday 12 May, all welcome, here is the link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82872473251>

Gilgal Crafts Group restarts this Friday, 13 May, at 2pm. Please see Jacqui Crole for more information.

Other Announcements

Our Pastor is currently on annual leave. Please contact Liz Rees (secretary), John Hornsby (treasurer) or Daphne Harris (pastoral care Deacon) for any church or pastoral needs. Thank you.

Do you know your SHAPE? Martin has just finished this series of Sunday morning sermons. As a follow on from this we would like to know if anyone needs help in determining their SHAPE and where they might fit into the life of the church at Gilgal and where they can be best used in serving the Lord here. Please contact Liz or Jacqui for more information, thank you.

Patio Umbrella Bases: If you have one of these that we can borrow for our Church Anniversary Services can you please let Daphne know. Thank you.

"God Loves You Tour" at the ICC, Newport on **Saturday 21st May 2022** at 7.00 pm www.godlovesyoutour.org.uk

a) Please sign-up as soon as possible if you know **you want to use the coach** to Newport (about 8 places left on the coach, and our coach will have a toilet!) We have reserved 60 seats for Gilgal, so if you are **going in your own car** and would like to sit with us, let Gordon know.

The Billy Graham Evangelistic Association (BGEA) always provides their events for free. So, entry is **free**, and we will not charge for seats on the coach. However, we do invite you to give a donation in advance - to either John Hornsby or Gordon Lovering.

b) We are planning for the Coach to leave the front of the Comprehensive School on Park Avenue, **promptly at 5.00 pm** so please be on board by 4.45 pm at the latest. The drop off at ICC will be considerate to those of limited mobility.

c) Are you being “**an Andrew**”? Who are you praying for and planning to bring? Did you complete a “Pledge Card”?

d) Open informal **prayer gathering** for The Tour at **7.00 pm on Thursday 12 May** in the church.

“The man who split time in two!” – An evangelistic evening with **Rev Yinka Oyekan** (The Gate Church, Reading) on **Thursday 16 June 2022**. Entrance is free, and starting about 7.00 pm. If you missed your opportunity to take a friend to Franklin Graham, then Yinka’s intention is also to help us “make Jesus better known” – and to get folk saved! Put the date in your diary. See Gordon for details.

Our toddlers’ group is looking for volunteers to help move all the toddlers’ toys from the Scout Hall on Woodland Avenue, back to Gilgal Church. If anyone is available to help either on the 30th, 31st of May, or the 1st of June, which is during the May half-term week, please speak to Ruth Evans.

Graham Kendrick Concert: As part of our 150-year Anniversary celebrations we are hosting “An Evening with Graham Kendrick” on Thursday 23rd June. Tickets are £12 Adults and £6 Children, available from Carolynne Gillard, Cathryn Hodges, Ed Lewis, Malcolm Nicholas, Liz Rees or Carolyn Thurston.

SAVE THE DATE - SATURDAY 6TH AUGUST: We have booked Nicholaston House Christian Centre, which overlooks Oxwich Bay on the Gower, for a Gilgal Away Day on Saturday 6th August. Further details to follow. See Daphne to register your interest in coming, and for more information on the venue go to www.nicholastonhouse.org or the Facebook page 'Nicholaston House Christian Centre'.

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