



To know Jesus better, and to make Him better known

Park Avenue, Porthcawl

Registered Charity 1134864

GRACE *to You*

Sunday 9th October 2022

**We give a warm welcome back to Rev. Steve Lock,
who is leading our services at Park Avenue today**

10:30am Family Celebration Service

Today's Sermon: What kind of God do you believe in?

Bible Reading: Hosea 6:1-3 and John 17:1-9

5:00pm Disciples Service

Today's Sermon Theme: What's God's plan?

Bible Reading: Ephesians 4:1-15

Children and young people are encouraged to go out with their leaders to Sunday Club during the second half of the morning service. There are three groups - School Years 1 - 2, 3 - 5 and those in Year 6 and above. Please speak to Natalie our Childrens' worker or Cathryn, CYF Coordinator, if you would like more information.

Refreshments are available at the end of both services.

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

Special Events Coming Up

- **Beacons on the Beaches** - meet on Newton Beach, at 6.30pm on Friday 14th October
- **CYF Breakfast Club** on Sunday 16th October at 9.30am in the hall, – all ages, parents with toddlers also welcome
- **Newcomers Tea** on Sunday 6th November at 3.15pm in the café.

Diary for the week, 9th to 15th Oct

Monday

Park Avenue (Café)	7pm	New House Group
22 Adrian Close	7:30pm	House Group

Tuesday

Park Avenue (Hall)	10am	Toddlers
Y Centre	10am	Food Bank
22 Adrian Close	10:30am	House Group
John Street	11am	“Feet on the Street”
19 Birch Walk	7pm	House Group

Wednesday

Park Avenue	11am	Traditional Service
Park Avenue	11:45am	Refreshments / Prayer Corner
Park Avenue (Café)	12:15pm	Lunch Club
Park Avenue (Café)	2.30pm	New House Group
Park Avenue (Café)	7pm	Deacons Meeting

Thursday

Y Centre	10am	Food Bank
Park Avenue	2pm	Craft Group
Park Avenue	7pm	Prayer for Prayer Ministry Team

Friday

79 Fulmar Road	10am	House Group
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Sunday

Park Avenue	10:30am	Family Celebration Service
Park Avenue	5pm	Disciples Service

Prayer Needs

Those at Home: Dilwyn and Ann Jones; Hilary Oatridge; Jeff Harber; Terry Needs.

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 Grange Street Congregational Church, Port Talbot.

Other announcements:

Please help us fit everyone into our meetings by moving into the centre of the longer rows of chairs and not blocking the rows by staying on the end. Thank you.

Home Groups: We encourage everyone to belong to one of our several small groups for teaching, fellowship and support. New 'house' groups will be starting on Monday 10 October at 7pm and on Wednesday 12 October at 2.30pm, both in the cafe, feel free to join us. Please ring Caryl Gill (01656 785276) if you would like to know more.

Alpha Course: The group are not meeting this week but will reconvene next Thursday, 20 October.

Our "feet will be on the street" on Tuesday 11 October as usual from 11am to 1pm in front of the Museum. Extra helpers really appreciated!

Beacons on the Beaches. In collaboration with *southwestawake.com* we plan to meet on Newton Beach, light a fire and pray for the nation and for revival - at 6.30pm on Friday 14 October, 100 metres east of the slipway, below the high tide mark. Cathryn and Natalie are also inviting our young people (11+) to join us for games and toasted marshmallows. All welcome – **bring a torch!** See Gordon for details.

Next **Evangelism Ministry Team meeting** is scheduled for 2 pm on Wednesday 19 October. If YOU have any workable ideas on "evangelising Porthcawl" come to our meeting or let Gordon know.

Newcomers Tea: Are you new to Gilgal in the last few years? Would you like to get to know other newer people better? If so, we are pleased to invite you to an afternoon tea on Sunday 6 November at 3.15pm in the café. We do need to know how much food to prepare, so if you would like to come, please give your name to either Jacqui or Leanne.

First Aid course – thank you to those who have signed up for the course which will take place on Saturday 12 November from 10 - 12 in the café area. If you are involved in activities in the church, it is important that you have basic first aid knowledge. If you would like to attend please speak to Jacqui to add your name to the list. Thank you for your support in serving the Lord at Gilgal.

Bible Readers wanted - If you would like to join the Bible Reading rota for either the morning or evening services, please let Karen Nicholas know.

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.

Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Appeal - If you have any donations of knitted items or any other donations for the Shoebox Appeal please give them to Joyce Lovering, Linda Harber or Val Thomas.

Use of Premises: Please email Alison Farrow with any booking requests for the hall or cafe - alison.farrow@hotmail.co.uk

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.

Both our Pastor and Church Secretary are away for the next few Sundays. Please contact Alison Farrow (Admin), Daphne Harris (Pastoral) or John Hornsby (Treasurer) about any important church matters.

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