



GILGAL BAPTIST  
CHURCH

To know Jesus better, and to make Him better known

Park Avenue, Porthcawl

Registered Charity 1134864



## **Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2022 - 150<sup>th</sup> Church Anniversary**

**Onsite services at Park Avenue, with Special Guest Rev Elfed Godding**

**10.30am Family Celebration: The Vital Signs of a Church with Vision.**

Bible reading: Acts 15 read by Ray Jefferies.

This service will be followed by a Fellowship (Bring and Share) Lunch to which everyone, including visitors, is invited.

We will also be serving afternoon tea at 4pm prior to the evening service. All are welcome to join us – there is no charge.

**5.00pm Disciples Service: The Gospel of Justice**

Bible reading: Acts 16:9-40 read by Linda Harber.

Refreshments will be available after both services today. If you would like to volunteer to be on the rota for these, please see Jacqui for further details.

**Online services:** We plan to video record the evening messages and make them available alongside our audio recordings. We will also begin experimenting with Facebook Live broadcasts on coming Sundays.

## **Prayer Needs & Praise Reports**

**Those Bereaved:** The family of Tony Jones and his friends and neighbours at Middleton Court.

**In Hospital:** Barbara Jones; Gareth Williams.

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

**In Residential Care:** Ann Thomas (Picton Court); Doug Davies, Pat Eales, Diane Sheppard (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.

**Praise Report:** Many congratulations to Ruth and David Evans who celebrated their ruby wedding anniversary (40 years) last weekend.

**Praise Report:** A huge 'thank you' to our banner makers for their excellent work – the banners now hang around our sanctuary walls.

**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](mailto:crossmonster7@gmail.com), Alan Harris at [a.harris476@btinternet.com](mailto:a.harris476@btinternet.com) or Caryl Gill at [carylgill1@gmail.com](mailto:carylgill1@gmail.com). Alternatively, ring Alan on 01656 784118.

## **Bible study group meetings this week**

**Monday evening 7.30pm:** Leader David Redhouse in the church café.

**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.

**There are no Tuesday evening Bible Study and Home Groups this week** as there is a Church Members Meeting in the church (starting at 7pm).

**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 one of these groups either face to face or on Zoom, please contact Caryl Gill for details ([carylgill1@gmail.com](mailto:carylgill1@gmail.com) or 01656 785276).

## **Other activities this week:**

**Tuesday 14 June from 10am to 11.30am: Jellybeans Toddlers** restarts and has moved to Park Avenue! Please pray for the group as they settle in.

**Tuesday 14 June from 10am to 12 noon at the YMCA: Foodbank.** Could you volunteer to join the team who offer food and friendship to people in crisis?

**Tuesday 14 June from 11am to 1pm: Our "feet will be on the street"** as usual in front of the Museum on John Street. See Gordon for more details.

**Tuesday 14 June at 7pm in the church hall at Park Avenue: Church Members Meeting**

**Wednesday 15 June at 11am at Park Avenue: Traditional Service.** A short service of older traditional hymns, prayer, and a bible-based message. Refreshments available in the café afterwards. All welcome.

**Wednesday 15 June Gilgal Ladies** meet at 7pm in our Church café for Keep Fit Praise, fun fitness and fellowship! All women very welcome and even if fitness isn't your thing, there's a lovely time of fellowship after it with hot drinks and cakes.

**Thursday 16 June from 10am to 12 noon at the YMCA: Foodbank.**

**Thursday 16 June at 7pm: "The man who split time in two!"** A special evening with **Rev Yinka Oyekan**, international evangelist and former president of the Baptist Union. Entrance is free and all are welcome. Reserve your seat on [ticketsource.co.uk/gilgal](https://ticketsource.co.uk/gilgal), doors open from 6.30pm with light refreshments (cakes needed!). 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! See Gordon for details.

**Friday 17 June from 2pm to 3.30pm: Craft Club in the café.** Please come along with your craft, enjoy chatting with like-minded people, make new friends and learn new skills along the way. Tea and coffee available.

**Saturday 18 June from 11am to 2pm: Family Fun Day and BBQ** at Park Avenue. Bouncy Castles, Face Painting, Games and Fun for all the family. Invite your relatives and friends!

**Sunday 19 June** is Fathers' Day - a chance to give thanks to our earthly fathers and our Father God.

### **Other announcements:**

**Communion services:** Is it important to you to be able to be part of these services? In his evening series, "Getting the most out of .....", last Sunday evening Martin looked at communion and gave some helpful teaching on this important area of our Christian lives. At Gilgal we celebrate communion on the first Sunday evening and third Sunday morning of each month. The table has to be prepared with the bread and wine (not alcoholic wine but something like a grape juice or Ribena) and we are looking for help to prepare the table in future months. Please contact Ann Redhouse if you are able to help. Thanks so much.

**Key Safe – Sharing of access code:** Deacons and those meeting leaders who require access to the church are asked to speak personally to Liz Rees or Alison Farrow to acquire the entry code for the key safe.

**World Mission Team:** If you have any of the following items, please give them to Linda Harber: Toilet Soap, Flannels, Combs, Tooth brushes. Please look out for the cards/book marks on which are printed prayer points requested by the missionaries linked to Gilgal. They always say how much they appreciate our prayers and the support they receive while doing the Lord's work in the mission field.

**Tear Fund Climate Change Petition:** Please sign Tear Fund's petition urging the government to deliver on their climate finance promises to lower income countries. Look out for the cards which are available in church.

**Youth Room Painting:** We will be painting on Tuesdays 21 June and 28 June from 12noon – 3.30/4pm. If you are available even for an hour that would be a huge help. Please contact Owen so he knows you are coming.

**Graham Kendrick Concert:** As part of our 150-year Anniversary celebrations we are hosting "An Evening with Graham Kendrick" on Thursday 23 June starting at 7.30pm. Tickets are £12 Adults and £6 Children, available from Carolynne Gillard, Christine Goldsworthy, Cathryn Hodges, Ed Lewis, Malcolm Nicholas, Liz Rees or Carolyn Thurston.

### **Saturday 6 August: Gilgal Away Day – BOOK NOW!**

The date for our Away Day is Saturday 6 August 2022. We have booked Nicholaston House Christian Centre, in a beautiful spot overlooking Oxwich Bay on the Gower. The day will run from 10am to 4pm and the theme will be Renew Wellbeing, with Rev Naomi Dickerson as our guest speaker.

A hot 2 course lunch and all refreshments are included in the price of £38 or £33 per adult (depending on how many book), and £12 for children over 12 years. Any younger children attending with their parent or carer and bringing a packed lunch will be free of charge. For more information on the venue go to [www.nicholastonhouse.org](http://www.nicholastonhouse.org) or the Facebook page 'Nicholaston House Christian Centre'. Please reserve your place with Daphne as soon as possible. Payment must be made by 24<sup>th</sup> June at the latest. Thank you.

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