



## CHURCH NOTES

The weeks leading up to the weekend of Peter's and Lena's departures provided us with many opportunities to reflect upon Peter's ministry here in Beulah over the past fifteen years. The regard in which he and the family have been held became abundantly clear in the celebratory party and in his final service. Over two hundred people responded to the invitation to the party – presenting the catering team with their biggest challenge yet! It was an evening of food, drink, entertainment, fun and laughter – and not a few tears, but a truly wonderful celebration of all we have shared together. It was a particular pleasure that we were joined by Peter's parents, by Enfys and Eleri, and one of Peter's brothers and his family too. So many people worked hard to provide the food, decorations and invitations that it is impossible to name them all, but we are very grateful to all.

In the Communion service on April 17 Peter brought back one of the doors and reflected on this in relation to him moving on - when God has opened a door, no-one can close it. It was a moving moment when Stephen led us in the blessing and sending of Peter, with members of the congregation of all ages joining in the laying on of hands.

After shaking hands with us all, Peter and Lena (and Coco the cat) finally left for the airport, and we have heard that they are settling well into their new surroundings. We wish them every success, and look forward to hearing more of Peter's work with CWM in the coming months.

Worship the following Sunday morning was led by members of the

Worship Team, co-ordinated by Derek Evans. This service was on the theme of Cherish and Change, and in a quiet reflective way invited us to consider those things we hold most dear, while looking forward to what lies ahead. It was the result of much careful preparation and we are grateful to Derek and the others for their hard work. In the evening we were treated to a service in the Whittaker Lounge led by members of Youth Fellowship on the theme of Creation. With young people like these, we should have confidence in the future of the Church! Our thanks go to them, to Stephen Best for the initial ideas, but especially to their leaders, Liz McCarthy and Elaine Edwards.



At the AGM on Monday, April 25, we heard from representatives of our groups and organisations as they presented their reports on activities during 2015 – there is so much going on in Beulah and we are blessed in having so many dedicated people. Many are concerned as to how we will manage to maintain what we do, but I know that we will encourage and support each other. Lots of you have already come forward with offers of help, and we will gradually organise ourselves to cover as much of the work as we can. If you cannot do more than you already do, then that is enough – no-one can ask for more. But let us all remember to pray, and recognise with thanksgiving the gifts and the work that we all do.

## CHURCH NEWS

It was a delight to share in the Baptism service of Magwen Roach on April 3rd with her family and friends. The service was led by Stephen, and was full of warmth and good will.

We send our warmest congratulations to Nick and Tanya Hampson on the birth of their new baby, Griff, on April 1st, and were pleased to see him in church very soon after!

I am also pleased to share the news that Mary Jones has recently become a great-grandmother.

A number of members and friends have had some health concerns recently, and we send our thoughts and good wishes to all of them. At the time of writing Dennis Richards has been admitted to Llandough Hospital for treatment. We send our good wishes for a speedy recovery. Christine Rose has had another hospital admission; Val James has had surgery on her foot; Geoff Griffiths has been unwell; Mary Warsop has injured her foot while on holiday in Sydney; Mary Parberry has had treatment on her leg and Ron Leech has had a cataract operation. We hope Mair Haywood is feeling better soon. We are pleased to see Rubina Lewis out and about again after her lengthy stay in hospital following heart surgery. We remember all these, and any others whose health is causing anxiety, in our prayers.

My love and thanks to you all.

*Louise*

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### **Church Secretary:**

**Mrs. Louise Morgan,**

### **Church Treasurer:**

**Mrs. Barbara Rhys,**

## THANKS

I thought you would all like to know how your generosity allowed the Church to give Peter and Lena a cheque for £1,500 as a wedding gift, and a cheque for £1,300 as a leaving gift for Peter. You gave over £3,000 which enabled us to also buy some small gifts for them and presents for both Enfys and Eleri. Thank you to all the church family and friends who made this possible.

*Barbara*

## HOLIDAY CLUB 2016

We hope to hold a series of Holiday Club 'days' during the Summer holidays for 7-11 year olds. However, we will not be able to do this unless we have leadership and helpers.

If you feel you could help in any way or would just like more information, we invite you to come along to a meeting at **7.30 p.m.** in The Studio on **Tuesday 10 May** or, if you aren't available that evening but would like to be involved, please speak to either Pat Cazenave or Barbara Rhys.

## Pentecost

On Sunday May 15<sup>th</sup> we celebrate Pentecost. The liturgical colour for Pentecost is red so members of the congregation are invited to wear something that has red in it for the morning service that day.

*Roger Bidnell*

## LADIES – A DATE FOR YOUR DIARIES

There will be a coach trip to Ludlow on **Saturday 30 July** leaving the Canolfan at 9.00 a.m. and leaving Ludlow at 5.00 p.m. There will be a sign up list in the Church Porch nearer the time.

*Barbara*

## MORE THANKS

Evan Thomas retired from the Chair of the Finance Committee at the AGM this week, and although I had an opportunity to thank him in the meeting I wanted everyone to know how much we have appreciated his service in this capacity. He has been a member of the Committee for 35 years, many of those as Chairman. Thank you Evan for your dedication and support of the Church and all the members of the Committee. It has been a pleasure to serve with you throughout the time that I have been a member too – not quite as long as you! - and I have appreciated very much all the support and encouragement you have given to me personally.

I thought this was an opportunity to also thank the other members of the Committee who are: Eleri John, Colin Grimes, Huw Morgan, Fiona Reynolds, Joan Staddon and Ruth Williams. Joan and Fiona are in the office sorting out the weekly envelopes and loose collection faithfully every Monday morning and I pick up where they leave off unless there's an alms bowl to count when it is a case of 'all hands on deck'! Fiona now also kindly takes the money to the bank. But each one supports and encourages me in so many ways and I am extremely grateful to them all.

You will be pleased to know that Huw has kindly agreed to take on the Chairmanship of the Committee. Thank you Huw.

*Barbara, Church Treasurer*



## Raffle

Following on from our coffee morning for the Eve Appeal we were give a voucher for JUMP in Llanishen So we are holding a raffle on 15th May over coffee, after the service, where the first prize will be a voucher for 2 adults and up to three children for JUMP. There will be other prizes too (incase the first prize doesn't suit you!!). So please support us if you are able to. All monies raised will go to the Eve Appeal.

Many thanks

*Eleri and Elaine.*

## THANK YOU

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who sent me beautiful cards, messages and Facebook links for my 70th birthday last Saturday 16th April.

Due to celebrations organised by family and friends over the weekend I wasn't able to join the farewell evening for Peter but my thoughts were with you.

Once again, thank you for the love shown to me over this past year.

*Lorraine x*

## Thank You

Thank you so much for the "Get Well" cards and flowers recently sent to me and the love that goes with them.

A longer stay than anticipated but good to be back home.

See you all soon.

*Love Rubina x*

**KIN**  
**Together we care  
and together we  
share**

**BIG BREKKIE**

**Saturday 14th May  
10.00am - 12.00 noon  
in Canolfan**



This year Christian Aid is encouraging churches to hold a Big Brekkie during Christian Aid week.

Their material features a young mother of four living on a low-lying island in the Brahmaputra River for whom floods are a terrifying part of every day life, and there is a Christian Aid campaign postcard to sign calling on David Cameron to help build climate resilience in the world's poorest countries.

Craig Williams MP has kindly agreed to join us at our Big (Continental) Brekkie, and we will use the occasion to lobby him on the issue of climate justice.

If you would like to add your voice to the call for much tougher action to combat global warming, you can use the attached letter (on the right) from the people of Beulah and simply add your address and signature. You may prefer to rewrite and adjust it to give it your own personal touch.

Please return your letter to Beulah by Sunday, 8<sup>th</sup> May or phone me (20624967) so I can collect it and add it to the letters to be presented to Craig.

Other churches in the North Cardiff constituency have been invited to take part in this initiative and their representatives will be joining us.

**PLEASE DO COME ALONG ON THE MORNING TO JOIN US FOR  
BREAKFAST,  
AND TO TAKE THIS EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY TO HEAR ABOUT  
CRAIG'S RECENT VISIT TO KENYA WITH CHRISTIAN AID.**

Thank you,  
*Eileen Newington*

**Mary's Triathlon**

I managed to complete the Triathlon and just wanted to thank those of you who kindly donated to the Healing Hands Network charity, towards the costs of my next trip to work in Sarajevo this summer. With all the generous donations that I received I managed to raise over £1700, which will enable me to go out to Sarajevo again next year, and also help other therapists who might not be able to raise the necessary funds – thank you so very much.

*Mary Bidnell.*

Dear Mr. Williams,

As a member of your constituency who is greatly concerned about climate change and the devastating effect it is having on the world's poorest people, I was pleased to learn of your visit to Kenya last year. I was particularly encouraged that you lent your support to the Peoples' March for Climate Justice in Nairobi.

As you know, Beulah URC has long been concerned with environmental matters, and you kindly joined us in July when we unveiled our eco-congregation award. I am writing to you now to ask for further support in tackling global warming and, in particular, the phasing out of fossil fuels as part of Christian Aid's Big Shift campaign.

We know that it is necessary to leave 80% of known fossil fuels in the ground to keep global warming to a safe level. The UK government's landmark decision in October 2015 to stop burning coal represented a success for Britain's long term climate policy. As the world's first industrial country, ending hundreds of years of dependence on coal was hugely symbolic and cleared the way for new investment in low-carbon energy.

However, I am deeply worried that the government's current domestic energy policies are confused and are holding back Britain's low-carbon energy potential by sending inconsistent signals to investors and industry.

I am, therefore, asking you to write to the Secretary of State for the Department of Energy and Climate Change, Amber Rudd, and ask:

. that she work with the Department for Business Innovation and Skills to ensure that Export Finance no longer supports any form of coal extraction abroad, as a way of showing global leadership.

. for finances made available by these moves to be re-invested in ways that help create new green jobs and a low-carbon economy worldwide.

In June last year at the mass climate change lobby in London, Amber Rudd said, 'Politicians can't deliver on the ambition without the public saying "We want you to do this"'.  
"We want you to do this".

Please help us to make our voices heard.

Thank you for taking action to protect the world's poorest people who are already paying the true cost of climate change.

Yours sincerely,



## CHRISTIAN AID WEEK HOUSE-TO-HOUSE COLLECTION 15 – 21 MAY 2016

The Christian Aid house-to-house collection this year is to be used to support those people living in the islands of Bangladesh whose homes are at constant threat from flooding. Christian Aid is working to raise the levels of these homes onto plinths and safe from destruction.

Each year it is becoming increasingly difficult to cover the routes for which Beulah is responsible (48 routes in total). I have mentioned previously that many churches for a variety of reasons are no longer able to participate in this collection, but some are raising funds in different ways.

I would like, once again, to appeal for collectors but would be grateful for any offers of help. Many people over the years have notified me of the fact that no-one collects in their street and consequently put their own envelope into the Beulah collection. If that applies to you and you would like either to collect from your road or even from some of the friends and neighbours close to your own house then Christian Aid has said that this would be acceptable. If you would prefer to do this then could you please contact me so that the areas which are being covered can be recorded.

Christian Aid are advising collectors not to call at houses which display the 'No Cold Calling' notice unless the householder is known to them or has previously contributed to the house-to-house collection.

For those who are not aware of how the collection is organised (and there can't be many in Beulah!) the procedure is outlined below:-

- The route list is placed on the vestibule noticeboard. If you wish to participate you merely choose a route and add your name and telephone number opposite the route.
- Christian Aid bags which are marked with the route number, and the streets and numbers from which you are to collect, are to be found at the rear of the left-hand side of the church.
- You may take your route bag whenever it is convenient for you, but the distribution and collection of envelopes may only take place between 15 – 21 May.
- At the end of Christian Aid Week return the bag containing the sealed envelopes to the rear of the church on Sunday Morning.

For anyone not covering a set route, envelopes (and collector's information and badges) will be available in the vestibule and you are free to take as many as you need.

If you wish to talk over what any of the above entails please feel free to ring me at home or speak to me in church.

Many thanks,

*Lynne (Davies)*

## ANOTHER PLEA FOR VOLUNTEERS

There is no doubt that our ability to continue providing a service to the community through the coffee lounge depends on the willingness of members of our fellowship being able to join the staffing rota. Many people have served the church in this way for along time but an increasing number are looking to retire or have already retired.

We presently open from Wednesday through to Saturday, having already decided to close on a Monday. We are now trying to recruit two people who are able to join the Saturday rota (one week in five) from 9.30am to 1.00pm.

This is part of the Church's outreach and if you feel able to help, kindly contact me.

*Christine Pugh*



## Training for Learning and Serving (TLS)

A few people have asked recently what opportunities there are in the URC for training in various areas of church life. Richard and Sarah Edwards are currently taking a TLS course with a view to becoming lay preachers. TLS will be changing over the next few years, but there are other options available involving differing levels of time and commitment. The following paragraph comes from the ....., and may be of interest:

“A new and exciting opportunity to learn and grow in Christian discipleship is to be launched throughout the United Reformed Church in 2018. In preparation there will be a phase by phase process in which TLS winds down some of what it offers and new transitional opportunities will come into place. The first stage in this process will be that this year (i.e. for the academic year beginning in September 2016) TLS will not enrol any new course members on the Foundation Course.

One year “Gateway” courses on worship, pastoral care, prayer, evangelism, and developing community experiences will continue and will start as usual in September 2016, with a closing date for applications of 31 May.

The Prospectus <http://www.urc.org.uk/discipleship/education-and-learning/training-for-learning-and-serving.html> provides information about these courses and how to go about enrolling on them. Please take a look and see if there is something there for you.

TLS Local Introductory Training Experiences (LITE) offers short courses for local use at any time and can be purchased through United Reformed Church Publications <http://urcshop.co.uk/training/tls-lite-publications>”

## HALF TERM FUN

Tuesday 31st May - COME AND PLAY in Canolfan  
10am to 12.30pm for children up to the age of 7. Cost £2.50 per child, babies free. Crafts, play areas, pop up cafe Come and join the fun!

Tuesday 31st May - PLAY IN THE PARK (indoors if wet)  
2pm to 4pm for children aged 7 plus. Cost £1 per child. Fun and games in the park. Children may bring a friend and need to be dropped off and collected from Canolfan by a parent / grandparent.

## ALL AGE JUNIOR CHURCH

The dates for the next All Age Junior Church sessions are

May 15th - Led by Andrew and Hollie Glanfield

June 19th - Led by Andy and Cathy Wales

July 17th - Leader tbc

Each session will start in the hall at Canolfan at 10.30am and the children will join the congregation for communion later on

Gill

## Key Rota:

### Unlocking Canolfan

Would all those who have offered to help with this on Sunday mornings, (and any others who would like to), please let Louise know either by email or telephone – she has lost her list!

### Communion Wine

For about twenty years the task of replenishing our wine stocks has been done by Geoff Griffiths, but he now feels it is time to hand over the job to some-one else. We would like to express our thanks to Geoff for doing this so efficiently for so long – most of us are probably unaware that he has been doing so! We are grateful to Duncan Pugh who is taking over as our new ‘wine monitor’.

### Lost Property

A little while back Peter brought into worship all the lost gloves and glasses that have been accumulating in church and tried to restore them to their owners – with no success, I’m afraid. They are now in a box in the office, and if they are not claimed soon, will be donated to charity shops and opticians. Please come and have one last look for your missing items!

### Caldey Retreat

Quite late on in the year we have been offered a few spaces for a retreat in Caldey, from September 1st-9th. We offered these in the first instance to Elders, and then to their partners. There are one or two spaces left, so if you are interested, please give your name to Louise by May 8th and we will draw lots to choose who goes.

Louise

## The United Reformed Church National Synod of Wales: 'BIG DAY OUT'

Saturday, 2nd July,  
Royal Welsh Agricultural  
Showground,  
Llanelwedd, Builth Wells

The theme for the day is  
'Growing in Faith' with  
particular focus on the  
Emmaus Road story in  
Luke24.



There will be workshops, Bible study, displays, a quiet room for prayer, all-age worship and activities for children.

Synod Days have always been most enjoyable and it would be great if a number of us could arrange to go – it's a lovely setting and a good way to meet people from other URC congregations all over Wales.

We have been sent a yellow bag in which we are invited to place items to represent the journey our church is on. If anyone is interested in organising this, please let me know – it doesn't have to be someone going.

Unfortunately, it does co-incide with Rhiwbina Festival Saturday, and many of us are committed to that – but if you would like to escape the hustle and bustle of Rhiwbina that day, then please sign the list in the porch. There is a coach going from Cardiff, which we may be able to use, but we need to know numbers quite soon.

Thanks,  
*Louise*

## HOME COMMUNION

Please could you let me know if you have anyone on your pastoral list who has had, or would like to have, home communion? This is for those who are no longer able to come to church and to enable them to feel part of Beulah's life in this way.

We would like to continue what has already been started, and it is a lovely way of sharing and for the Church to show God's love.

If you do have anyone who wishes to have home communion, could you also let me know the most suitable time and day? I will then make the necessary arrangements.

With every blessing,  
*Pat Cazenave*

## New Book Group

Are you interested in forming a new book group? If so, could you please contact Vivienne Jones,



## Beulah Snooker Tournament 2016

The competition is about half way through with five matches having been played. The results so far in matches 1 to 5, are:-

1. Geoff won against John
2. Peter won against Andrew
3. Colin won against John
4. Andrew won against Geoff, and,
5. Peter won against John.

The standard of snooker has been variable, but the standard of dress is top notch, as can be seen in the photograph! (Although, I'm not convinced Andrew would have got away with jeans at the Crucible!)

Good luck with the rest of the matches.

*Colin.*



## THE LEAVING PARTY

Following on from the weekend when Peter and Lena left for Singapore, Peter's parents wrote to Louise, and expressed their gratitude. The letter is shared below. Also for those that missed the party, here are two items, alongside, that are well worth sharing, which show off the compositorial talents that we have in our midst. Enjoy!

Dear Louise,

Kathleen and I want to say to you and the whole church at Beulah a very big thank you.

Thank you for all the work that you, with Peter, have been able to achieve to advance the Kingdom - listening to the reports last Saturday was a great joy and encouragement. Thank you for the support that you have given to Peter, Rhiannon and the girls through the years and through the difficult period recently. You then welcomed and accepted Lena and have continued through friendship to help Rhiannon. None of this has been easy for the congregation

Then the enormous support you gave to them at their wedding; so much work undertaken willingly by so many, followed by this last weekend which was an emotional roller-coaster for us and for many. You have been wonderful and we cannot thank you enough.

Both of us appreciate the warmth of the welcome and love that you have always shown to us both; it has always been a joy to visit and to share with you in worship and other activities and we certainly hope to be able to visit again in the future. We are delighted that Peter has this wider opportunity to pursue the mission of the church, but it's hard that it has taken him so far away. We were relieved to get an e mail from him this week and are working on skype or something similar to keep in touch.

With many thanks praying that God will continue to bless and encourage you in the fine ministry you are exercising in Beulah and Cardiff.

*Kathleen and Ernest.*

## The Fifteen Years of Peter

(With apologies to The Twelve Days of Christmas)

In his first year in Beulah, PCJ gave to us a minister who doesn't wear a tie.

In his second year in Beulah, PCJ gave to us 2 Edwards boys and a minister who doesn't wear a tie.

In his third year in Beulah, PCJ gave to us 3 new book groups, 2 Edwards boys and a minister who doesn't wear a tie.

In his fourth year in Beulah, PCJ gave to us 4 camping trips, 3 new book groups, 2 Edwards boys and a minister who doesn't wear a tie.

In his fifth year in Beulah, PCJ gave to us 5 Caldeeeey monks, 4 camping trips, 3 new book groups, 2 Edwards boys and a minister who doesn't wear a tie.

In his sixth year in Beulah, PCJ gave to us 6 cycle rides, 5 Caldeeeey monks, 4 camping trips, 3 new book groups, 2 Edwards boys and a minister who doesn't wear a tie.

In his seventh year in Beulah, PCJ gave to us 7 rainbow panels, 6 cycle rides, 5 Caldeeeey monks, 4 camping trips, 3 new book groups, 2 Edwards boys and a minister who doesn't wear a tie.

In his eighth year in Beulah, PCJ gave to us 8 graffiti Jesuses!, 7 rainbow panels, 6 cycle rides, 5 Caldeeeey monks, 4 camping trips, 3 new book groups, 2 Edwards boys and a minister who doesn't wear a tie.

In his ninth year in Beulah, PCJ gave to us 9 Ninja Knitters, 8 graffiti Jesuses!, 7 rainbow panels, 6 cycle rides, 5 Caldeeeey monks, 4 camping trips, 3 new book groups, 2 Edwards boys and a minister who doesn't wear a tie.

In his tenth year in Beulah, PCJ gave to us 10 rows of bunting, 9

Ninja Knitters, 8 graffiti Jesuses!, 7 rainbow panels, 6 cycle rides, 5 Caldeeeey monks, 4 camping trips, 3 new book groups, 2 Edwards boys and a minister who doesn't wear a tie.

In his eleventh year in Beulah, PCJ gave to us 11 fluffy pompoms, 10 rows of bunting, 9 Ninja Knitters, 8 graffiti Jesuses!, 7 rainbow panels, 6 cycle rides, 5 Caldeeeey monks, 4 camping trips, 3 new book groups, 2 Edwards boys and a minister who doesn't wear a tie.

In his twelfth year in Beulah, PCJ gave to us 12 lady Elders, 11 fluffy pompoms, 10 rows of bunting, 9 Ninja Knitters, 8 graffiti Jesuses!, 7 rainbow panels, 6 cycle rides, 5 Caldeeeey monks, 4 camping trips, 3 new book groups, 2 Edwards boys and a minister who doesn't wear a tie.

In his thirteenth year in Beulah, PCJ gave to us 13 different donkeys, 12 lady Elders, 11 fluffy pompoms, 10 rows of bunting, 9 Ninja Knitters, 8 graffiti Jesuses!, 7 rainbow panels, 6 cycle rides, 5 Caldeeeey monks, 4 camping trips, 3 new book groups, 2 Edwards boys and a minister who doesn't wear a tie.

In his fourteenth year in Beulah, PCJ gave to us 14 ways to journey, 13 different donkeys, 12 lady Elders, 11 fluffy pompoms, 10 rows of bunting, 9 Ninja Knitters, 8 graffiti Jesuses!, 7 rainbow panels, 6 cycle rides, 5 Caldeeeey monks, 4 camping trips, 3 new book groups, 2 Edwards boys and a minister who doesn't wear a tie.

In his fifteenth year in Beulah, PCJ gave to us a ministerial vacanceey!

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## AN ODE TO PCJ

You came to us without a tie.  
We've helped you mend your ways.  
But only when you know you must  
On very special days!

We've seen so many changes since.  
Ideas came thick and fast.  
We've had no time to stop and think  
The time has just flown past.

Now art has played a massive part  
Of all you've wished to say.  
Alongside all the other things  
That happen day by day.

The multi-coloured panels came  
A special tale to tell.  
With help from children in the  
school  
And all of us as well.

One Easter there upon our walls  
Graffiti Jesus came.  
The Lenten story told again.  
Would it ever be the same?

Jo's graphic images of Him  
Have told so many tales  
Of parties, disability.  
Their impact never fails.

Then we've had words and rabbits  
too,  
With some of them in frames.  
And trees and flowers, some bees  
and ducks,  
A donkey with no name.

Then heavens above, the knitters  
came.  
You taught yourself to knit.  
Although your work was 'holey'  
It somehow seemed to fit.  
The trees have been transformed at  
times  
By work that they have done.  
There's bunting and so many things  
With which our hearts they've won.

Thanks Ninjas, you are wonderful.  
You've given so much time  
And knitted shapes we've never  
seen.  
Our Caldey frame's sublime!

You've started many other things  
About which let's all hear.  
Like book groups, camping, cycle  
rides  
And themes from year to year.

You've introduced some special folk  
Into this motley bunch.  
Like Anthony and Stephen who've  
Enhanced our lives so much.

With others you have strived to cut  
Our carbon footprint too.  
We celebrate that we have now  
Become an eco-crew!

There's so much more that we've  
become  
And much is thanks to you.  
An open church that welcomes all  
In everything we do.

And there is more I could recall  
But we'd be here all night.  
So I'll stop soon – take no more time  
For that would not be right.

This grey-haired teenager say,  
'Thanks'  
I know for everyone  
For all that you have shared with us  
And all that you have done.

We've shared your lovely family.  
May God watch over you.  
As our lives have been much richer  
From simply knowing you.

And Peter you have cared for us.  
I hope we've cared for you.  
We've shared our happy times and  
sad  
And helped each other through.

May God bless you and Lena  
As you go upon your way.  
We know that He'll be with us all  
In every passing day.

*Barbara Rhys  
April 2016*



## Church Calendar

### MAY

<b>Sunday 1st</b>	<b>10.30am</b>	<b>Dr Alun Jones</b> <b>Junior Church</b> <b>Coffee served in Canolfan after service</b>
	<b>6.00pm</b>	<b>United Communion Service in Beulah</b>
Tuesday 3rd	7.30pm	Extra Elders' Meeting
Weds 4th	10.30am	Church Office
	10.30am	Mid-Week Meeting Point
	7.30pm	Beulah Alive
Thursday 5th	7.45pm	Pastoral Meeting
<b>Sunday 8th</b>	<b>10.30am</b>	<b>Dr Alun Jones</b> <b>Junior Church</b> <b>Coffee served in Canolfan after service</b>
Weds 11th	10.30am	Church Office
	10.30am	Mid-Week Meeting Point
	7.30pm	Beulah Alive
Friday 13th	3.15pm	Youth Drop-In
Saturday 14th	10.00am	KIN Cake Stall, Whittaker Lounge
	10.00am	Christian Aid 'Big Brekkie'



### CHRISTIAN AID WEEK DOOR-TO-DOOR COLLECTION

<b>Sunday 15th</b>	<b>10.30am</b>	<b>Rev. Roger Bidnell: Communion Service</b> <b>Junior Church</b> <b>Coffee served in Canolfan after service</b>
	<b>7.15pm</b>	<b>Youth Fellowship</b>
Monday 16th	7.30pm	Elders' Meeting
Weds 18th	10.30am	Church Office
	10.30am	Mid-Week Meeting Point
	7.30pm	Beulah Alive
<b>Sunday 22nd</b>	<b>10.30am</b>	<b>Richard &amp; Sarah Edwards</b> <b>Junior Church</b> <b>Coffee served in Canolfan after service</b>
<b>Paradise Run</b>	<b>7.15pm</b>	<b>Youth Fellowship</b>
<b>Collection</b>		
Weds 25th	10.30am	Church Office
	10.30am	Mid-Week Meeting Point
	1.05pm	Lunchtime Concert – Wales Baroque Players
	7.30pm	Beulah Alive
Friday 27th	3.15pm	Youth Drop-In
Saturday 28th	10.15am	WRB Prayers, St Thomas's Church
<b>Sunday 29th</b>	<b>10.30am</b>	<b>Rev. Malcolm Shapland</b>
	<b>6.00pm</b>	<b>Worship in the Whittaker Lounge:</b> <b>John &amp; Barbara Rhys</b>

### JUNE

<b>Sunday 5th</b>	<b>10.30am</b>	<b>Worship Team, led by Trix Pryce</b> <b>Junior Church</b> <b>Coffee served in Canolfan after service</b>
	<b>6.00pm</b>	<b>United Communion Service at All Saints</b>
Monday 6th	7.30pm	Church Meeting
Weds 8th	10.30am	Church Office
	10.30am	Mid-Week Meeting Point
	7.30pm	Beulah Alive
Saturday 11th	10.00am	KIN Cake Stall, Whittaker Lounge
<b>Sunday 12th</b>	<b>10.30am</b>	<b>Mr Stephen Best</b> <b>Junior Church</b> <b>Coffee served in Canolfan after service</b>

## Rhiwbina Friends of Tenovus

Invite you to their  
**Coffee Morning**  
on  
Saturday 21st May  
10.00am - 12.30pm  
at  
Canolfan Beulah

Tickets £2.50  
includes cup of tea or  
coffee and cake

Raffle  
Jewellery Stall  
and entertainment

Please come and join us.



## Thursday Social Evenings

**The next event is not  
on a Thursday!**

**It will be at Lunchtime  
on Sunday 12th June**

**when we will  
be celebrating the  
Queen's 90th Birthday  
with a  
'Street Party' Lunch!**

**More details soon.**

Visit the Beulah website at: <http://www.beulahurc.org.uk/>

# Concerts at the Crossroads

**Wednesday 25th May at 1.05pm**

## Wales Baroque Players

This is Wales's newest period instrument ensemble and a smaller group of players from the Ensemble will be coming to play in this concert. I was very excited when they contacted me with details of their group as I am aware that Baroque music has become increasingly popular in Beulah. We always seem to get a good audience for it. They have chosen to play a programme including Brandenburg 5 by Bach and some Telemann.

**Tickets £5 on the door as usual**

## Evening Concert

The July 8th evening concert tickets are going to be on sale from now onwards.

**Friday 8th July  
at 7.30pm**

## The Lovell – Jones family

**Charlie - violin, Harry – marimba, Lizzie – cello, Simon – piano**

This is a wonderfully talented musical family from North Cardiff and this evening concert will give us an opportunity to hear them all play. A real family affair! They will perform a range of music and styles both in solo and ensemble form.

Concert Tickets £10 from:  
Trix or Marg  
or Serenade in Rhiwbina village.

Free tickets are available for all school age children.

Optional cheese and wine tickets £6 to be purchased in advance.

## *Who's Doing What and When*

		<i>Driver on Rota</i>	<i>Duty Elder</i>	<i>Stewards</i>	<i>Pulpit Reader</i>	<i>Flowers</i>
<b>May</b>						
1st	am	<b>Mike Warsop</b>	<b>Viv Jones</b>	<b>Mair Haywood &amp; Mary Edwards</b>	Chris Phelps	<b>Jill &amp; Peter Ferdinando</b>
	pm		<b>Viv Jones</b>	United Communion Service in Beulah	Phillip Edwards	
8th	am	<b>Keith Jones</b>	<b>Ian McDowell</b>	<b>Mike &amp; Mary Warsop</b>	Richard Sweetnam	<b>Viv &amp; Harley Jones</b>
15th	am	<b>Tony Webb</b>	<b>Tony Webb</b>	<b>Ann Grimes &amp; Trix Pryce</b>	James Hall	<b>Anne &amp; Frank Rees</b>
22nd	am	<b>Harley Jones</b>	<b>Barbara Rhys</b>	<b>Pat Agland &amp; Barbara Collins</b>	Cathy Wales	<b>Ian &amp; Jenny McDowell</b>
29th	am	<b>Ian Budding</b>	<b>Peter Stevenson</b>	<b>Lynne Davies &amp; Diane Burton</b>	Diane Burton	<b>Tba</b>
	pm		<b>Peter Stevenson</b>			
<b>June</b>						
5th	am	<b>Mike Warsop</b>	<b>Liz McCarthy</b>	<b>Helen Harries &amp; Eleanor Mills</b>	Anne James	<b>Bev &amp; Ian Hampson</b>
	pm			United Communion Service in All Saints		
12th	am	<b>Huw Morgan</b>	<b>Anne Wilkes</b>	<b>Frank Kinsey &amp; Betty Evans</b>	Elaine Edwards	<b>Mair Haywood</b>
19th	am	<b>Colin Grimes</b>	<b>Nesta Thomas</b>	<b>Gill Grivas &amp; Betty Hulston</b>	Jill Ferdinando	<b>Wedding</b>
26th	am	<b>Keith Jones</b>	<b>Andrew Glanfield</b>	<b>Richard Sweetnam &amp; Bev Hampson</b>	John Prosser	<b>Wedding</b>
<b>July</b>						
3rd	am	<b>Tony Webb</b>	<b>Lynne Davies</b>	<b>Glenys Scott &amp; Elinor Ludlow</b>	Lorraine Larcombe	<b>Anne James</b>

## **What did the death of Jesus really do for us?**

Ever since Jesus died on the cross, people have been arguing about what exactly it all means. A fresh take on this old subject will be given by Dr Jane Williams, who – although she might be better known as the wife of the former Archbishop of Canterbury Rowan Williams – is, herself, a highly-respected theologian, author and lecturer.

Dr Williams, assistant dean and tutor in theology at St Mellitus College, a theological college of the Church of England, has just completed a sabbatical study on the Atonement and will share her findings in a lecture for CACEC, the Cardiff Adult Christian Education Centre, on Thursday 10 June.

She takes as her title Why can't God just forgive us, without the death of Christ? Her talk will explore the Atonement and examine some of the theological and moral questions that arise when the horrible death of Christ on the cross is seen as 'necessary' for our forgiveness and reconciliation.

Dr Williams played a significant role in furthering the cause of women in the Anglican Church. She is regularly invited to teach and speak all over the world and is involved in promoting theological education in the wider Anglican Communion. Her books include *Lectionary Reflections*, *Approaching Christmas*, *Approaching Easter*, *Angels* and *Faces of Christ*.

Her CACEC lecture is the group's annual William Hodgkins lecture in honour of its founder so admission is free. It will be held on Friday 10 June at 7.30pm in City United Reformed Church, Windsor Place, Cardiff.

*Jean Silvan-Evans*

## **Editor's Note**

The **deadline** for articles to be included in the **June 2016** edition of **Crossroads** is **Sunday 22nd May** and **Huw** will be editing.