

CHURCH AND FAMILY NEWS

October marked the 50th Anniversary of the URC, unfortunately the Celebrations in London were postponed due to the rail strike. We had a lovely Joint Pastorate event in Beulah, with Martha & David leading the celebration service including induction of New Elders followed by lunch in the Canolfan. This was followed by Welsh cakes and Bara Brith at City Church before my first Cymanfa Ganu.

There were many events on, I didn't quite make them all, but did enjoy the Twmpath held at Canton Uniting Church, which brought back memories of learning dances in PE lessons in school!

It was good to see many family and friends of George Elliot Martin join us for George's Baptism last week and in November we have a Baptism service for Lefi Cottrell too.

The 4th November sees the long-awaited Rebecca Evans concert, delayed since the first Covid lockdown, with cheese &

wine afterwards. From 30th November the monthly lunchtime concerts will be back.

There is a new weekly meeting group on Wednesday's, 11-12.30pm, starting after half term: 'The Huddle' which will be held in church for prayers and then coffee and chat in the Whittaker Lounge. Fleur Richards has further details.



We will welcome Pearl and Philip Bishop on 13th November, they have kindly agreed to help play the organ/piano in Beulah.

Our best wishes go to those who are in or have been in hospital recently.

Happy Birthday to those celebrating special birthdays. Good Wishes

Anne



The Holbrook's would like to announce a new arrival to the family.

Alex and Nia Pike welcomed Ruben Frederick to the world on Friday 14th October. All doing well, if a little bleary eyed! Thank you for all the cards, gifts and messages from Beulah friends.

Love from,
Alex, Nia, Ruben,
Karen and Ross xx



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Letter from the Manse

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causes to surface in our hearts?

When I remember, I, Martha, think of my father whose name is still spoken when my name is said, who was a teacher and a dad and a son, when he died at 36.

When I remember, I, David, may tell you about my grandfather whose name is also spoken when my name is said, who taught me to have an open mind and nurtured his grandchildren until he died in 1987, no longer struggling to breathe.

Whose story would you like to tell? In the days ahead we hope you can tell one of those stories, remembering the people who have shaped you and graced you.

May our saints and souls surround us as we enjoy the turn of the year, the busy diaries, and the darkening nights. As they blessed us, may we know joy in remembering them and God's comfort in our losses.

Yours in Christ,

Martha and David

Editor's Note

The **deadline** for articles to be included in the **December 2022** edition of **Crossroads** is **Sunday 20th November** and **Colin** will be editing.

How can we help?

As part of Beulah's response to the Cost of Living crisis I'm putting together a small group of people who would be interested in working out ways of helping people (Beulah members and friends) who may be in financial difficulties as a result of the current situation. We will be looking at how we could possibly help them to secure financial help and/or advice. If you are interested in being involved, or want more information please contact me.

An added bonus would be if you had experience or expertise in this area or can suggest someone who has, but a concern for people in this situation and a desire to help and to look into ways of supporting people in need would be more than enough. I look forward to hearing from you.

Geraint Richards



URC DIARIES AND PRAYER HANDBOOKS 2023

If you would like to order a diary or Prayer Handbook, please sign the list in the church porch, or contact Louise Morgan, by November 13.

Pocket Diaries:

Blue: £7.99

Orange: £7.99

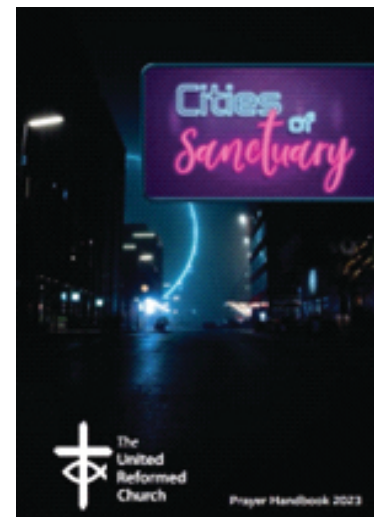
A5 Diary:

Orange: £9.99



Prayer Handbook:

Cities of Sanctuary: £5.99



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KIN

Fundraising in Beulah for over 50 years

KIN ... what does it stand for, what do we do, and how can you get involved?

Kindred In Need was formed in the early 1960s to help a refugee family from Graz in Austria. It has since been described as 'Beulah's way of responding to the needs of humanity'. Over the years KIN's fundraising has supported many different causes on behalf of the church from local charities such as Bobath Cymru, Ty Hafan and the Huggard to international organisations such as Christian Aid, ShelterBox, Medecins Sans Frontieres and Unicef.

Many needs and suggestions for fundraising are brought to KIN's attention by people who attend meetings, but there has always been an invitation to all those connected with the church to bring their own personal concerns and ideas. As a committee, KIN is also pleased to support those in the congregation who are doing their own fundraising and to help where we can.

Some of our fundraising is embedded in well-loved Beulah traditions such as the Good Friday lunch, the church family Christmas Card and carol singing in Rhiwbina, but we've also held quizzes, barn dances, Sport Relief, Messiahs from Scratch, strawberry teas, auctions, concerts and much, much more!

The pandemic made our fundraising difficult and we were so grateful for the way

members and friends continued to support us online and give so generously. Now that we can be together again and hold events, we need to renew our efforts and plan for the future.

Please listen out in the New Year for a social event we'll be holding to invite and encourage your participation in KIN. In the meantime, if you'd like to learn more or get involved, why not contact

Eileen or Eleri for a chat ... we'd be pleased to hear from you.

Mair's Bequest

Mair and Alan Haywood were loyal and generous supporters of KIN's work. Many of you will know that Mair recently left a substantial amount of money for KIN's fundraising.

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Talking Climate Justice Tour

Every transformative social movement started with a conversation that moved people into action.

Join us as we have powerful and honest conversations that stir up action for climate justice!

FRIDAY 11th NOVEMBER

7.00pm

**CANOLFAN BEULAH
RHIWBINA
CF14 6AX**

Guest speakers include
Mari McNeill
Head of Christian Aid
in Wales

Please join us for
conversations,
ideas,
tea and cakes



If you would like to come along,
please contact Eileen



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As a committee, we are aware of our responsibility to use this money in the best way possible, and in a way that reflects the concerns and hopes of Beulah's members and friends. To this end, there will be a box for suggestions in the church porch and more opportunities for ideas and conversations at both our November events.

Eileen and Eleri

Thank You

Thank you to Ann for her thoughtfulness, and our friends in Beulah, for the lovely flowers, sent to us during the past month, which have always lifted our spirits. Alan's Parkinson's makes life difficult, especially since our family live away. So, we greatly appreciate the friendship of our Beulah friends. A special thank you to Pat Agland, our Elder, who is always there for us, and to David for his visits.

Nesta and Alan Thomas

KIN at Christmas

Beulah's fundraising activities and celebrations

We hope there is something here for everyone and that you will enjoy supporting our Christmas fundraising this year. As ever, all the money raised will go to some of the many urgent needs there are at this moment both in the UK and globally. Please look out for the lists to sign if you can help in any way.

Autumn Coffee Morning in the Canolfan

Saturday 19th November 10.00am - 12.30pm
Coffee and Cakes; Cards and Gifts; Christmas Hamper Raffle; Books; Jewellery and much more ...

Rhiwbina Winter Festival Saturday 26th November 4.00 - 7.00pm - We will be serving Mulled Wine and Mince Pies in the Leaver Room (Canolfan) and hope to recreate the Garden of Light

Christmas Coffee Morning

Saturday 17th December 10.30 am in the Canolfan
A chance for the Pastorate to come together to enjoy festive entertainment with music, conversation, carols, mince pies, cake and coffee. Please join us!

Carol Singing in aid of Ty Hafan 21st - 24th December
We're delighted to be able to carol sing once again around the Rhiwbina streets alongside our friends from All Saints and Bethany.

Please do come along and share in one of Beulah's longest and much loved traditions. There will be full details nearer the time, but the rota for refreshments is as follows:

21st All Saints
22nd Beulah
23rd Bethany
24th (am) Whittaker Lounge

Following on from our harvest donations to the Foodbank and Huggard,

I was wondering if we could continue to collect some more items - but no food
Specifically this month Foodbank would like



Shampoo/conditioner - in smaller bottles please, not the big bottles,
Nappies - size 5 or 6
Feminine Hygiene items



Disposable razors
Deodorant/Antiperspirant

If you have any of the above to donate, I have put a basket in the bottom shelf of the bookcase in the Margaret Whittaker Lounge, or you can drop them off at my porch sometime (address in the directory). I'll take the items to Foodbank in a couple of weeks.

Many thanks

Eleri

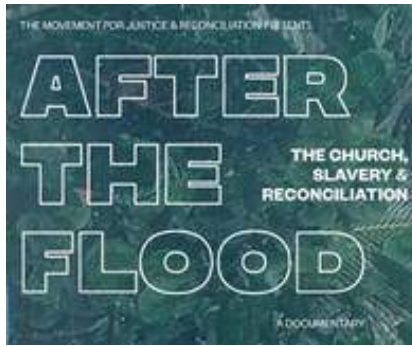
FILM NIGHT

'After the Flood,' will be shown at Canton Uniting on **19 November at 6.00pm.**

This new 67 minute feature documentary shows how the 18th century Church became embroiled in chattel slavery. We discover how the Church justified its involvement in the trade and its lasting impact. The film then explores what this means for Christian reconciliation today.

Why **After the Flood**? The documentary aims to be educational and redemptive, and addresses the historical neglect of slavery in British Christian history. It looks at Biblical principles for racial reconciliation in our churches today. This is a pre-requisite for British churches to confront slavery, and necessary to overturn injustices resulting from its legacy.

Martha & David



STREET AID WALES

Street Aid Wales is a registered charity that supports and helps the homeless of Cardiff.

Street Aid Wales is asking for volunteers for:

- Wednesday evenings - it involves pushing a trolley with hot food around town
- Reserve cooks
- Someone to collect food from Bridgend on a Weds and bring it to the unit in Gwaelod-y-Garth
- Volunteers to work at the unit on Saturday mornings for a few hours.

Also, they need the following items:

Socks; Boxer shorts; Knickers
Women's Clothes – Any size
Men's Clothes – Any size
Children's Clothes
Footwear; Bags; Belts

Duvets; Sleeping Bags

Wet Wipes; Shower Gel
Shampoo; Deodorant

Crisps; Chocolate; Biscuits
Soft Drinks; Pot Noodles

Plastic Forks; Carrier Bags

Be the hope they need
Call

STREET AID WALES

Tel 07407 830406
Registered charity 1198755

BEULAH CONCERTS

Beulah URC Concerts at the Crossroads

Wednesday 30th November at 1.05pm

Sam Baxter – oboe

Bethan Semmens – harp

The first lunchtime recital since lockdown

Showcasing a beautiful combination of instruments, with mainly French music and a little seasonal music added.



Tickets £5 on the door as before.

However, as the concerts are self-funding, if anyone would like to pay more it would be gratefully received!

Someone said to me a few days ago that they were pleased to see that the Wigmore Hall is returning to Beulah!

As I write in mid October the plans for the Rebecca Evans and Michael Pollock concert are well under way.

The buffet tickets, the number of which has to be restricted, sold out quickly and we have a waiting list for returns here!

I hope that everyone enjoys the evening. Thank you.

Trix and Beulah helpers.

Ukrainian Families in South East Wales

I am sure that many of you are aware of the plight of refugee Ukrainian families having to flee their country, and many of them have come to South Wales bringing very little with them.

Many volunteers are assisting with their accommodation needs, and the Rotary Club of Cardiff East have been approached by one of these volunteers to see if we can assist with the provision of some equipment for them.

We have been asked specifically if we can assist with the provision of laptops or chrome books, and bicycles for specific refugees, including children in school in South East Wales, and children engaged in distance learning at Ukrainian schools using Zoom or similar. The bicycles

would be used for adults as transport to and from places of employment.

Some of the more fortunate children that do have access to a laptop are frequently using these facilities to communicate with Ukraine in the early morning or late evening, either side of their daytime studies in English.

If you might have any of these items as surplus to your use, please let me know and I would be pleased to collect them from you. If they should need any slight repairs, then suitable technical persons have already volunteered their services.

I look forward to hearing from you,

Mike Warsop

Shoebox Appeal

Operation Christmas Child



It is time, now, to hand in your shoeboxes for this year's collection. Shoebox leaflets are available in the Church porch and Margaret Whittaker Lounge.

Please would you bring your shoeboxes to church on Sunday, 6th November, or if you are not able to, please contact Ann Grimes.

Thank you,

Team Shoebox

ROTAS

Date	Duty Elder	Stewards	Readers	Intercessions	AV
Nov 6th	Geraint Richards	Jill Ferdinando & Peter Ferdinando	Sophie Jones	Richard Edwards	Richard Sweetnam
Nov 13th	Ian McDowell	Hollie Glanfield & Cathy Wales	Pat Ruddock	Bev Hampson	Nigel Barwise
Nov 20th	Bev Hampson	Eleri John & Richard Sweetnam	Vicki Grimes	Carol Coleman	James Hall
Nov 27th	Arlene Ramasut	Viv Morgan & Andy Wales	Roger Bidnell	Mark Stephens	Andrew Glanfield
Dec 4th	Jenny McDowell	Gaynor Rees & Audrey Budding	Liz Kidd	Lorraine Webb	Harley Jones
Dec 11th	Eileen Newington	Colin Grimes & Liz McCarthy	Jenny McDowell	Laura Davies	Huw Morgan
Dec 18th	Helen Harries	Mike Warsop & Fiona Liddell			Richard Sweetnam
Dec 24th	<i>Blessing the Crib</i>				Huw Morgan
Dec 24th	Kaye Mundy	<i>Christmas Eve Midnight Service</i>			Nigel Barwise
Dec 25th	Marianne Barwise	Philippa Ballisat & Giles Ballisat			James Hall
Jan 1st	Ruth Williams	Marion Williams & Ann Grimes			TBA



Lindsey Allan – THANK YOU



On Sunday 2nd October, I ran 26.2 miles to complete the London Marathon and so far I have raised about £3,400 for Tenovus Cancer Care, but I really wasn't sure I was going to manage it. The training was tough and there were many runs where I thought I would never do it, but friends and family were so supportive and helped me get there. The London Marathon was an amazing experience and I still can't quite believe I did it. I ran the race in just under 4 hours, 47 mins and crossing that finish line, along with over 40,000 other runners, was definitely the best moment.



Thank you for all the donations, help and support, I really couldn't have done it without you.

CHURCH CALENDAR

Tuesday 1 st	10am	Miss Tilley's Community Café
	2pm	Online Bible Study
Thursday 3 rd	9.30am	Café Dosbarth
Friday 4 th	10am	Whittaker Lounge Café
	7.30pm	Rebecca Evans Concert/ Cheese & Wine – ticket only
Saturday 5 th	10am	Whittaker Lounge Café
2 – 4pm - Charity Sale of designer & nearly new clothing, accessories, gifts & books in Canolfan Beulah		
Sunday 6th	10.30am	Worship- Revd. David Dean - Junior Church - Coffee after worship
	7.15-9pm	Youth Fellowship
Monday 7 th	10am	Miss Tilley's Community Café
	2pm	Women's Fellowship
Tuesday 8 th	10am	Miss Tilley's Community Café
	9.30 -11am	Beulah Tot's
	2pm	Online bible study
Weds 9 th	11-12.30pm	The Huddle, Prayers in Church followed by Coffee & Chat
Thursday 10 th	9.30am	Café Dosbarth
Friday 11 th	10am	Whittaker Lounge Café
7pm - Talking Climate Justice		Talk with Mari McNeill, Head of Christian Aid in Wales. In Canolfan Beulah
Saturday 12 th	10am	Whittaker Lounge Café
Sunday 13th	10.30am	Worship- Mr Iestyn Harris - Junior Church
	7.15pm	Youth Fellowship
Monday 14 th	10am	Miss Tilley's Community Café
	2pm	Women's Fellowship
	7.30pm	Elders Meeting
Tuesday 15 th	10am	Miss Tilley's Community Café
	9.30 -11am	Beulah Tot's
	2pm	Online Bible Study
	7.30pm	Theology on Tap at The Deri Inn
Weds 16 th	11-12.30pm	The Huddle
Thursday 17 th	9.30am	Café Dosbarth
Friday 18 th	10am	Whittaker Lounge Café
Saturday 19 th	10am	Whittaker Lounge Café
	10-12.30pm	Autumn Coffee Morning in the Canolfan
Sunday 20th	10.30am	Worship- Mr Richard Edwards - Junior Church - Coffee after Worship
	7.15pm	Youth Fellowship <u>Crossroads Deadline</u>
Monday 21 st	10am	Miss Tilley's Community Café
	2pm	Women's Fellowship
Tuesday 22 nd	10am	Miss Tilley's Community Café
	9.30–11am	Beulah Tot's
	2pm	Online Bible study
Weds 23 rd	11–12.30pm	The Huddle
Thursday 24 th	9.30am	Café Dosbarth
Friday 25 th	10am	Whittaker Lounge Café
Saturday 26 th	10am	Whittaker Lounge Café
	10.15-10.45am	WRB Prayers at St Teilo's, Old Church Road, Whitchurch CF14 1AD
	4 -7pm	Rhiwbina Festival
Sunday 27th	10.30am	Worship & Baptism Revd. David Dean - Junior Church
		Coffee after Worship - Church Meeting after Worship
	7.15pm	Youth Fellowship
Monday 28 th	10am	Miss Tilley's Community Café
	2pm	Women's Fellowship
Tuesday 29 th	10 am	Miss Tilley's Comm. Café
	9.30–11am	Beulah Tot's
	2pm	Online Bible study
Weds 30 th	11- 12.30 pm	The Huddle
	1.05 pm	Lunchtime Concert



Date for your diary

**PRE-LOVED
CLOTHES SALE**

In aid of



**Saturday November 5th 2022
2:00pm - 4:00pm**

**The Canolfan, Ground Floor Main Hall
Beulah United Reformed Church
Rhiwbina Village
Cardiff CF14 6LT**

Entrance fee: £1 (to include a free raffle ticket)

For further information contact:

Viv Morgan

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