



## CHURCH AND FAMILY NEWS

It seems a long time since the last newsletter came out, I have looked it up and apparently it is still okay to say Happy New Year until the end of January!

Thank you to everyone involved in all the activities over December, from quiet reflective End of the Day service to the excitement of Blessing the Crib nativity service, not forgetting Youth Fellowship service with Tenable & Family Fortunes.

In January, we started with New Year's Day Brunch. The next time it will be on a Sunday is 2034. All activities are back up and running, the Canolfan still busy despite the library events moving back to the refurbished Rhiwbina Community Well-being Hub. The lunchtime concerts have resumed, and you can now follow on Instagram:

### **Concerts\_at\_the\_Crossroads**

The joint service of Prayers for Christian Unity was held at Bethany Baptist Church this year and it was good to meet up and meet new members there.

The church was pretty full for Aidan's Baptism, it was lovely to see everyone there and enjoying the occasion. We

will look forward to others during 2023.

In our February services, we have Revd. Gareth Dyer returning, and a first service for us led by Revd. David Simpson, which we are looking forward to hearing, as well as Martha and David of course!



Unfortunately, the Church Meeting previously planned for Sunday 26th February after church will be postponed, new date to follow.

Looking further ahead, some advanced notice about this year's AGM: It is always good to hear, reflect and celebrate all that goes on in the Church over the year and there is a lot. In our January Elders meeting we discussed the AGM and we proposed a change to the current format. For those preparing a report, please submit it to me by Monday 27th March (250-word limit). The reports will then be compiled into a booklet,

which will be available at the AGM. At the meeting along with the Treasurer's report, the others will be summarised by our Church Life Elders. This shorter AGM will then be followed by food in the Canolfan.

Best Wishes,

Anne



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## Letter from the Manse

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part of what Norris means by describing grace as loss or failure or unwelcome change? Or does she mean that with hindsight we find God revealed to us in those situations?

'Amazing Grace' doesn't mean life is easy. 'Amazing Grace' does mean that God finds us, loves us, and works with us and within us, however we are and wherever we are in our life experience.

In response to the anniversary of the hymn, 'Amazing Grace,' perhaps we can take a moment and give thanks to God for being at work in our lives and challenging us to reflect that grace in the life of the world.

Or, perhaps we simply remember that despite tough times, God's grace is working away with us and for us. And maybe we are instruments of God's grace to others who are struggling. 'Amazing grace, how sweet the sound!'

Yours in Christ,  
*Martha and David*

### Thank You

We would like to say thank you to the Beulah family, for the kind messages and flowers we received during mum's long stay in hospital.

Mum moved into Ty Enfys Care Home on Monday the 16th January and is settling well into the residential community. Visitors are welcome there at any time.

Diolch yn fawr,  
*Bronwen, Catherine  
and Anna*

## UKRAINE CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS

In Ukraine, Christmas is celebrated on two occasions. The first occasion is the 25th December, which is the Catholic Christmas, and the 7th January, which is the Orthodox Christmas.

As there are many displaced Ukraine families now living in Cardiff, the Cardiff East Rotary Club decided that they would host a party for 50 Ukraine children and their parents, to celebrate their Orthodox Christmas. This was held in the Canolfan Centre on the afternoon of Saturday 7th January, and was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone who attended.

The children were entertained by Mr. Sparkles, the

magician, who performed many tricks and blew up novelty balloons for every child.

Towards the end of the party, as a token of their appreciation, the children sang a selection of Ukrainian songs to us, which is their custom.

At the end of the party, all of the children went home with a present, and the memory of an enjoyable afternoon.

Our thanks to Beulah Church for letting us organise such a worthy event.

*Mike Warsop*  
(Club Treasurer)

## THANK YOU

I'm writing to offer my heartfelt thanks from myself and my family to everyone at Beulah who helped to make my son Andrew's funeral run so smoothly on Friday the 13th of January.

A huge thank you to Barbara and the team for working so hard to provide the tea and refreshments at the Canolfan after the service.

Thank you also to Karen Holbrook for the beautiful flower arrangements in the Canolfan and the lovely wreath for Andrew's coffin.

Thank you to Dr. Alun for your time and playing and the rousing and uplifting

organ accompaniment during the service.

Finally, a big thank you to Martha for leading a compassionate and moving service. It was a beautiful tribute to Andrew. Everyone I spoke to then, and since, said how much they enjoyed the service.

A big, big thank you to everyone who has sent many, many cards of support, and been a comfort to me with their friendship in these very difficult weeks. It has been very much appreciated by myself, and my family.

God bless you all.

Thank you.

*Ann Brown*

February 2023

All Welcome

Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> February	10.30 a.m.	Worship & Communion Revd. Martha McInnes Junior Church start in Canolfan
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup>	7.15-9 p.m. 9-12.30 p.m.	Youth Fellowship Miss Tilley's Community Café
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup>	2-3 p.m. 9-12.30 p.m.	Women's Fellowship Miss Tilley's Community Café
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup>	9.15-11 a.m.	Beulah Tots
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup>	11-12.30 p.m.	The Huddle
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup>	9.30-12 p.m.	Caffi Dosbarth
Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup>	10-12.30 p.m.	Whittaker Lounge Café & Warm Space/free drinks
Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup>	10-12.30 p.m. 10.30 a.m.	Whittaker Lounge Café & Warm Space/free drinks Worship: Revd. Gareth Dyer Junior Church
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup>	7.15-9 p.m. 9-12.30 p.m.	Youth Fellowship Miss Tilley's Community Café
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup>	2-3 p.m. 7.30 p.m.	Women's Fellowship Elders' Meeting
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup>	9-12.30 p.m.	Miss Tilley's Community Café
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup>	9.15-11 a.m.	Beulah Tots
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup>	11-12.30 p.m.	The Huddle
Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup>	9.30-12 p.m.	Caffi Dosbarth
Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup>	10-12.30 p.m. 10-12.30 p.m. 10.30 a.m.	Whittaker Lounge Café & Warm Space/free drinks Whittaker Lounge Café & Warm Space/free drinks Worship: Revd. David Simpson Junior Church
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup>	2-3 p.m.	Women's Fellowship
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup>	7.30 -9 p.m.	'Theology on Tap' at the Deri Inn
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	11-12.30 p.m. 1.05 p.m.	The Huddle Lunchtime Concert
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	10-12.30 a.m.	Whittaker Lounge Café & Warm Space/free drinks
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup>	10-12.30 a.m.	Whittaker Lounge Café & Warm Space/free drinks
Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup>	10-12.30 a.m.	Whittaker Lounge Café & Warm Space/free drinks
Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 a.m.	Worship & Baptism: Revd. Martha McInnes Junior Church
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup>	9-12.30 p.m.	Miss Tilley's Community Café
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup>	2-3 p.m. 9-12.30 p.m. 9.15-11 a.m.	Women's Fellowship Miss Tilley's Community Café Beulah Tots

**THANK YOU**

Thank you to everyone who gave chocolates, biscuits, Christmas food, and money, for families around Cardiff. All the gifts were truly appreciated.

*Ann*

**We have lovely news of a new baby**

Some of you will know, or even remember, Robert, son of the late Dennis and Olive Frost.

Well, we have heard that Rob and his wife, Barbara, have become grandparents, again! Their son, Gareth, and his wife, Emily, have given their 4 year old daughter, Matilda, a little sister, and named their new baby Olive.

We send the Frost family our warm congratulations and the love of the Beulah Church Family. A&C



# ROTAS

Date	Readers	Intercessions	AV	Flowers	Arranger
<b>February</b>					
5th	Pat Ruddock	Jill Ferdinando	Andrew Glanfield	Eleanor Mills & Brenda Manby	Karen
12th	Liz Kidd	Pat Ruddock	Harley Jones	Hampsons	Beverley
19th	James Hall	James Hall	Richard Sweetnam	Alan Wilson	tbc
26th	Fiona Liddell	Hollie Glanfield	Nigel Barwise	Heather Bishop	tbc
<b>March</b>					
5th	Neil Kidd	Janet McCormack	James Hall	Mary Richards & Lesley Richards	Beverley
12th	Liz McCarthy	Roger Bidnell	Andrew Glanfield	Gaynor Rees	Beverley
19th	Richard Edwards	Giles Ballisat	Harley Jones	John, Kevin & Marion Williams	tbc
26th	Peter Ferdinando	Ruth Williams	Richard Sweetnam	tbc	tbc

Date	Duty Elder	Stewards	Vestry Prayer	Serving Communion P - Prayer
<b>Feb</b>				
5th	Beverley Clay	Gaynor Rees & Denise Dickman	Andrew Glanfield	Bev Hampson Phippa Ballisat Pat Agland Secretary Geraint Richards (P) Anne James <b>Communion Preparation</b> Bev Hampson
12th	Ian McDowell	Naomi Williams & Tony Webb	Geraint Richards	
19th	Louise Morgan	Cathy Wales & Hollie Glanfield	Kaye Mundy	
26th	Eleanor Mills	Derek Evans & Richard Sweetnam	Fiona Liddell	



## Amazing Grace

This is a photo of a quilt created by people in Olney to celebrate the anniversary of Amazing Grace.

## Reminder

Bible Study is still happening on Zoom, Tuesdays at 2 pm. If you are interested in participating and want the link, just ask Martha. We have looked at individual books of the Bible, had topics about women of the Bible and read devotional books. We are currently looking at the Old Testament and Gospel lessons for the Sunday coming up. No prior knowledge of the Bible is necessary.



**WHITCHURCH, RHIWBINA, AND BIRCHGROVE WORSHIP  
JANUARY 2023 – APRIL 2023  
SATURDAY 10.15am – 10.45am**

**YOU ARE INVITED TO WORSHIP WITH FRIENDS FROM  
THIRTEEN LOCAL CHURCHES**

**28<sup>th</sup> JANUARY**

**Bethany Baptist Church, 89 Heol Llanishen Fach,  
Rhiwbina, CF14 6LA - We meet in the Church**

**25<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY**

**Ararat Baptist Church, Plas Treoda, Whitchurch,  
CF14 1PT - We meet in Room 9**

**25<sup>th</sup> MARCH**

**St Thomas' Church, Pantbach Rd., Birchgrove, CF14 1UE**

**29<sup>th</sup> APRIL**

**St Andrews Methodist Church, Caerphilly Rd.,  
Birchgrove, CF14 4AE**

## BEULAH BIG SCREEN FILM

Please see this information about our Beulah Film Show. It is part of our Warm Space effort and is designed to cheer everyone up in these rather dark and cold times. We are indebted to Monico Movies for their assistance in this. All are welcome.

# Free Family Film

Beulah URC presents a free, big screen, showing of a family-favourite film! Suitable for adults and children of all ages\*



Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> February

Canolfan Beulah, Rhiwbina Village Crossroads

Doors open 3.00pm for a 3.15pm start.

Complimentary interval ice cream.

No booking required.

With grateful thanks to Monico Movies from Beulah United Reformed Church for their assistance in putting on this event!

*\* Please note that all children must be accompanied by an adult.*

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