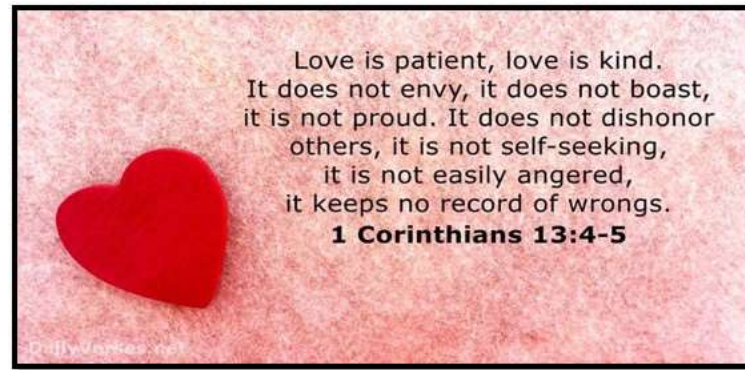




To know Jesus better, and to make Him better known

Park Avenue, Porthcawl

Registered Charity 1134864



Sunday 19th February 2023

Onsite services at Park Avenue, led by our Pastor, Rev Martin Gillard

10:30am Family Celebration Service, including Holy Communion

Series Theme: Love's Rules

Today's Sermon Theme: Time for Those You Love

Bible Reading: Exodus 20: 8-11 and Matthew 12: 1-14

5:00pm Disciples Service

Series Theme: Freedom in Christ (Galatians)

Today's Sermon Theme: Resolving Differences

Bible Reading: Acts 15: 1-35

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 to note

- **Holy Spirit night** on Friday 24th March at 7pm in the church.
- **Men's Breakfast** on Saturday 25th March at 9am in the café.
- **Prayer night**, Thursday 30th March at 7pm.

Diary for the week, 20th to 25th Feb

Monday

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

Tuesday

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
88 Fulmar Road	7pm	House group

Wednesday

Park Avenue (Café)	2.30pm	House group
Park Avenue (Café)	7pm	Bible Club
The Manse	7pm	Baptism Preparation Group

Thursday

Y Centre	10am	Food Bank
Park Avenue (Café)	2pm	Warm hub / Craft group
Zoom call	7pm	House group - Meeting ID: 889 1616 5948 https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88916165948

Sunday 26th Feb

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

Please note that this week is half term and so there will be no Toddlers, Traditional Service or Lunch Club.

Prayer Needs

Those in Hospital: Phil Armstrong

Those Unwell at Home: Lynda Edwards; Dilwyn and Ann Jones; Hilary Oatridge; Jeff Harber; Isabel and Terry Needs; Pat Habberley; Alan Lee; Leanne Evans.

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).

Praise report: We congratulate Gordon and Joyce Lovering who recently celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Congratulations also to Caleb Jones, husband of Vera, who is 90 this week.

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, Alan Harris at a.harris476@btinternet.com or Caryl Gill at carylgill1@gmail.com. Alternatively, ring Alan on 01656 784118.

Other announcements:

Our **“feet will be on the street”** on Tuesday 21st as usual from 11am to 1pm in front of the Museum. We want people to know God loves them more than they can ever know! Extra helpers really appreciated – and your prayers! See Gordon Lovering.

Our monthly Bible Club will be meeting this Wednesday 22nd at 7pm in the café. They will be looking at the book of Psalms. Everyone is invited.

Baptism Classes continue at The Manse this Wednesday at 7pm.

Every Thursday afternoon from 2pm to 4pm the café will be open as a warm hub / craft group, everyone is welcome. The craft class is going to be knitting for Cwm Taf Morgannwg premature babies' units for the next few weeks. If anyone is interested in doing this and doesn't want to / can't come to the class, we have patterns available. This knitting project will run up to end of March and then Pastor Martin will pray blessings over the items. It's up to the individuals then if they want to carry on or do anything else, we are very grateful to everyone involved. For more information, please speak to Jacqui Crole or Linda Harber, or simply come along - you would have a wonderful time with fellowship and refreshments too.

Community Ministry team update: There is a new sign-up sheet on the notice board in the café, please add your name if you can help with refreshments after the Sunday services. Toddlers Toast is a great initiative, but it could do with some volunteers on a rota basis, 8:30 – 10:30am Tuesday mornings in the café. Please speak to Margaret Hornsby or Jacqui Crole. Lunch club would also love more volunteers added to our rota, as numbers are increasing. We are very grateful for everyone involved serving our community and our Lord at Gilgal.

The **World Day of Prayer Service** this year takes place at Trinity Church, Porthcawl, on Friday 3rd March at 2pm. All are welcome.

Puzzling Questions (PQ's): This 6 week free course (with "finger food") is for those whose frame of reference simply doesn't include anything about the Bible and the Christian faith. It provides a space to take time to explore some of life's deeper (puzzling) questions. The start date is Thursday 9th March from 6:45 to 8:30 pm at 9 Caldys Close, CF36 3QL. Please see Gordon Lovering or David Redhouse for details.

fellship: Men's breakfast planned for Saturday 25 March at 9am in the café. The guest speaker will be Mark Peers and the cost will be £4. Sign up on the clip board in the café. Some extra volunteers to assist Margaret Hornsby in preparing the breakfast would be appreciated. See Gordon Lovering or Larry Knowles for details.

Are you a church member yet? Are you worshipping regularly with us but not yet a church member? If so, please speak with Liz Rees or Daphne Harris who can give you an information pack.

Foodbank Collection Point: We always appreciate donations of long life items – particular suggestions are listed beside the box in the café. Thanks very much on behalf of those who so appreciate the help we are able to give them.

Bible Readers wanted - If you would like to join the Bible Reading rota for either services, please contact Karen Nicholas (kjohnicholas@outlook.com)

Volunteers wanted to assist with the filming of services. Please contact Malcolm Nicholas for more details.

Do you have word processing/design/art work skills? If so, could you help with the production of leaflets and flyers? If you could, or if you know someone who could help, please contact Malcolm Nicholas.

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