



WELSHPOOL METHODIST CHURCH

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“Celebrating and Sharing God’s Love”

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We extend a warm welcome to any visitors, or to anyone worshipping with us for the first time. Please make yourselves known to us and stay after the service for a cup of tea and a chat. (We have a loop system. Please turn off mobile phones.)



NOTICES

Following the Bible

These writings have been a source of nourishment for the faithful for several millenia. Friends of our church may find two regular events an encouragement in gaining knowledge and enrichment.

On the second and fourth Thursday of each month at 12 noon Derek leads a Bible Reading session in the church lasting about half an hour. Usually around seven or eight of us gather round the table and share in the reading. It's not a formal discussion and folk are free to comment. Sometimes we have a picnic afterwards.

The other event is House Fellowship - meeting every other week at announced times. We follow a themed study. It's serious but with plenty of humour. People feel freer to talk over issues which they wouldn't want to in a formal service. Please do not feel put off coming because it's not possible for the group to come to your own home. I fully recommend these friendly meetings and all are most welcome!

Pause for Thought

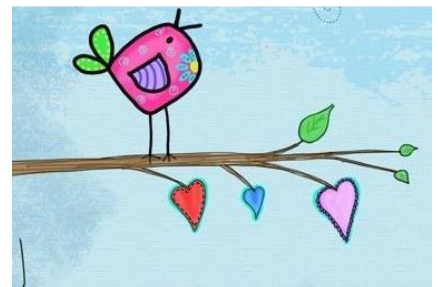
"A good heart is like the sun and the moon, or rather like the sun and not the moon, for it shines bright and never fades"

Shakespeare

'Who overcomes by force has overcome but half his foe:'

Milton

"Politics is the art of looking for trouble, finding it everywhere, diagnosing it incorrectly and applying the wrong remedies:' Groucho Marx



Weekly Calendar: Sunday 24th February

Lectionary

Gen. 45:3-11,15; PS. 37:1-11,39-40; 1 Corinth.15:35-38,42-50; Lk. 6:27-38

Morning Worship at 10.45am led by Rev Bob

Afternoon Tea Service at 4pm led by the Stewards

This week:

Monday 25th Coffee Morning 9.30am; Jubilate 10am, Playgroup 1pm
Tuesday 26th Future Events: Planning Meeting, 7.15pm. All welcome.
Thursday 28th 'Reading the Bible Together', 12 noon
Worship Consultation, 7.15pm. All welcome.
Friday, 1st Mar. World Day of Prayer service, 2pm at St Mary's
Saturday 2nd Coffee Morning and Friendship Lunch, 11am to 2pm
First Aid Course in the Gallery

Sunday 3rd March: Sunday before Lent

Lectionary

Exodus 34:29-35; Psalm 99; 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2; Luke 9:28-36

Morning Worship at 10.45am led by Graham Smith , followed by a Bring and Share Lunch

Evening Worship at 6pm led by Rev Bill Rowell (Holy Communion)

This week:

Monday 4th Coffee Morning 9.30am; Jubilate 10am, Playgroup 1pm
Wednes. 6th Mid-Week Movies: "The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel",
2pm
Thursday 7th Prayer Group led by Rev Bill Rowell , 12noon
"Letters from Bethlehem": Rev John Howard, 7pm

Sunday 10th March: Lent 1

Lectionary

Deut. 26 :1-11; Psalm 91 :1-2, 9-16; Romans 10:8b-13; Luke 4:1-13

Morning Worship at 10.45am led by Rev Marian (Holy Communion)

Evening Worship at 6pm at St Mary's, Church House (WCT)

This week:

Monday 11th Coffee Morning 9.30am; Jubilate 10am, Playgroup 1pm
Wednes. 13th Lent Course, session 1, New Street, 7 for 7.30pm
Circuit Meeting, Newtown, 7pm
Thursday 14th 'Reading the Bible Together', 12 noon
Friday 15th Fellowship Group, 2.30pm. Speaker: Rev Marian
Friday 15th Gallery Group, 7pm
Saturday 16th Coffee Morning and Friendship Lunch, 11am to 2pm

Sunday 17th March: Lent 2

Lectionary

Genesis 15:1-12,17-18; Psalm 27; Philippians 3:17-4:1; Luke 13:31-35

Holy Communion at 9am conducted by Rev Michael
Morning Worship at 10.45am led by Terry Jobling

This week:

Monday 18th Coffee Morning 9.30am; Jubilate 10am, Playgroup 1pm
Wednes. 20th Lent Course, session 2, New Street, 7 for 7.30pm
Saturday 23rd 'Walking with Friends' - details from Derek

Sunday 24th March: Lent 3

Lectionary

Isaiah 55:1-9; Psalm 63:1-8; 1 Corinthians 10:1-13; Luke 13:1-9

Morning Worship at 10.45am led by Rev Bob
Afternoon Tea Service at 4pm led by the Stewards

This week:

Monday 25th Coffee Morning 9.30am; Jubilate 10am, Playgroup 1pm
Wednes. 2nd Lent Course, session 3, New Street, 7 for 7.30pm
Thursday 28th 'Reading the Bible Together', 12 noon
Saturday 30th SPRING FAIR - see notice board for details

Sunday 31st March: Lent 4 - Mothering Sunday

Morning Worship at St Mary's, 11am.: **Evening Worship** at Cefn, 6pm

MONTHLY MID-WEEK MOVIES

6th March

"THE BEST EXOTIC MARIGOLD HOTEL": 'When seven cash-stripped Brits journey to a retirement resort in India, friendship and romance blossom as they touch each other's hearts In the most unexpected ways. In the end they will discover that life and love can begin again when you embrace today and let go of the past'. The film stars Judi Dench and Bill Nighy, with supporting cast including Maggie Smith, Tom Wilkinson, Penelope Wilton, Ronald Pickup, Celia Imrie and Dev Patel. 'Hilarious and moving a joy to watch'

3rd April

"JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR": Tim Rice and Andrew Lloyd Webber's 'Jesus Christ Superstar' first exploded onto the West End stage in 1972 and it was clear that the musical world would never be the same again. Shot at Pinewood studios, this filmed stage version starring Glenn Carter and Rik Mayall captures one of the best scores Andrew Lloyd Webber has ever written and is packed with hit songs including 'I Don't Know How to Love Him', 'Gethsemane'. And 'Superstar.'.

1st May

"CAPTAIN COREW'S MANDOLIN": 'When Captain Corelli and his Italian army company arrive on the unspoiled island of Cephallonia, young Pelagia and the other villagers meet these uninvited guests with resentment. But as the Italians' charm and passion for life win their acceptance, Pelagia and Corelli begin to develop a bond that transcends the division of nationality and circumstance. Then as the harsh reality of World War II crashes upon the idyllic shores of Cephallonia. Capt. Corelli must face the possibility of leaving the island and losing the woman he has come to love' with powerful performances by Nicholas Cage and Penelope Cruz . and also featuring Christian Bale and John Hurt.

A Blessing Bestowed



Love cannot be bribed or bought
The roots lie deep within the heart
It must be free to be retained
It withers and dies by being chained

Love cannot be bound or bartered
It is a gift that's freely given
Commanded by a sense of duty
The lustre dims and spoils its beauty

Love is a blessing freely bestowed
One kindred spirit to another
The wise man understood this truth
The fool is ever seeking proof

Love is gained by giving away
The more you give the more you get
Man who has not learned this wisdom
Inherits the earth but not Gods Kingdom

