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Monthly Newsletter

March 2024



Serving the
Community Since
1880

Services in March
Everyone is Welcome

Sunday 3rd

10.30am Service

'For or Against Us' (Mark 9:33-50)

6.00pm Communion Service

'Anointing' (Matthew 26:6-13)

Sunday 10th

10.30am Service

Visiting Preacher - Dorian Richards

6.00pm Service

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Sunday 17th

10.30am Communion Service

'Doing Greater Things' (John 14:1-14)

6.00pm Service

'Another Counsellor' (John 14:15-31)

Palm Sunday 24th

10.30am Service

'The Lord Needs It' (Luke 19:28-44)

6.00pm Service

'Jesus Wept' (Luke 19:28-44)

Easter Sunday 31st

10.30am Service

'Living Words' (Luke 24:1-12)

6.00pm Service

'False Reporting' (Matthew 28:1-15)

***Unless otherwise stated Services are led by
Our Pastor,
Rev. Phil Denyer***



AENON BAPTIST
CHURCH MORRISTON

WEEKLY MEETINGS

Sunday: Morning Service 10.30am
(Includes Sunday Club for the Young Ones)

Evening Service 6.00pm

Tuesday: Ladies Group
2.00-4.00pm

Copper City Chorus
7.00-9.00pm

Wednesday: Knitters & Natters – Church Fellowship Group
10.00-11.30am

Thursday: Parents & Tots 9.30-11.30am

Bible Study 6:30-8.30pm

Friday: Morriston Camera Club 7.00-9.00 pm

Saturday: Talking Box, Men's Health 10.00-12.00noon
(2nd & 4th Saturdays every Month)

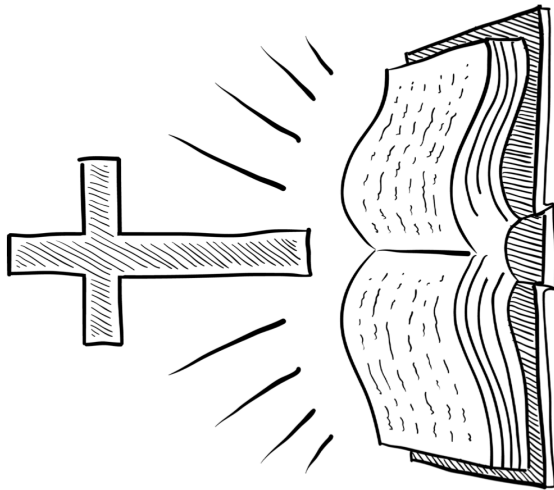
Cuppa & Chat / Prayer Station: Open when we're in the building

***Please take this newsletter home
and use it during the coming days/ weeks.***

Palm Sunday

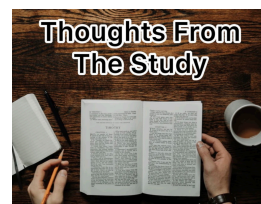
DIRECTIONS: Find and circle the vocabulary words in the grid. Look for them in all directions including backwards and diagonally.

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BLESSED, BRANCH, CLOAKS, DISCIPLES, DONKEY, EASTER, FEAST, GOSPELS, HERO, HOLY WEEK, HONOR, JERUSALEM, JESUS, KING OF ISRAEL, PALM, PASSION OF CHRIST, PEACE, PEOPLE, PRAISE, PROCESSION, ROAD, ROMANS, SACRIFICE, SALVATION, SCRIPTURES, SUNDAY, WORSHIP

This month's prize is an NIV Bible in One Year £1.00 to enter on / or after March 31st. Last Entry April 28th, draw takes place after the evening service.



From the Study Luke 22:31-32 (NIVUK)

31 "Simon, Simon, Satan has asked to sift you as wheat. 32 But I have prayed for you, Simon, that your faith may not fail. And when you have turned back, strengthen your brothers."

This little gem came up as a comment in Bible Study group recently. It's surprising how many believers are unaware, or unwilling to believe that Satan can enter the presence of God or even our churches or our homes - but the Bible shows us the freedom of movement the devil has:

6 One day the angels came to present themselves before the Lord, and Satan also came with them. 7 The Lord said to Satan, "Where have you come from?"

Satan answered the Lord, "From roaming throughout the earth, going back and forth on it." (Job 1:6-7)

Satan clearly has regular meetings with God, but on this occasion he asked God if he could 'sift' the disciples as a farmer or a miller sifts wheat with a sieve to take out the good seed from the bad.

In this event Jesus was warning and encouraging Peter -

31 "Simon, Simon, Satan has asked to sift **you as wheat. 32 But I have prayed for **you**, Simon, that your faith may not fail. And when **you** have turned back, strengthen your brothers."**

You'll notice that I have put the word 'you' in different colours; the reason for this is important because the first **you** is plural - Satan has asked to sift all the disciples, including Peter and Judas Iscariot. the second and third **you** are singular - Jesus has prayed specifically for Peter (Simon).

From the Study (Continued)

Jesus has warned Peter that Satan is out to cause trouble, also that Peter and his companions will falter; but Jesus is also encouraging Peter, “*I am praying for you all - you will get through this - and when you do, Peter. encourage your brothers.*”

Many of you may be going through difficult times right now, but Jesus is interceding on your behalf. When you get through our battle use your faith in Jesus to encourage and strengthen others in their struggles.

Be blessed and **be a blessing** this month in Jesus name,

Pastor Phil.

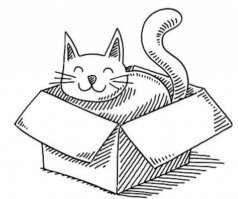
Lord Jesus, please help us in our struggles with the world around us; encourage us to be an encouragement in Your name.

Thank You Lord, Amen.

A place where you can fit in, and everything stays in the box.

Board Games,
Tea / Coffee;

A place where you are free to talk, if you want to ...



THE TALKING BOX **Men's Health Matters**

2nd & 4th Saturdays
of Every Month

10am - 12noon

AENON BAPTIST CHURCH, STRAWBERRY PLACE,
MORRISTON, SA6 7AG.



If you have questions
about Christianity

Ask about
ALPHA

For more info go to
www.alpha.org

ECO-CHURCH - Continued

- Worship & prayer
- Home
- Garden
- Community & global engagement
- Travel
- Food
- Possessions

You can take the Creation Care survey alone but churches can also register - and we will register Aenon. As households participate, the church will see the collective impact of individual choices. Hopefully as many of you as possible can take the survey over the coming month or so.

Go to www.creationcare.org.uk to do it.

Thank you!

Since 2007, **Earth Hour** has been held on a Saturday in March, and this year it falls on the **23rd March**. Usually WWF (World Wildlife Fund) encourage participants to turn off their lights and other non essential electronics for an hour in the evening, but this year, things are ramping up!

This is because we are at the tipping point with the crises mentioned above, putting at risk our one and only home - the planet! The next seven years are crucial to all our futures and we need to step up with efforts to adapt and mitigate.

This year therefore, it is being branded as the **'Biggest Hour for Earth'** and WWF are calling on supporters to not only turn lights off, but to also to 'give an hour for earth' - spending 60 minutes doing something - anything - positive for our planet.

It's up to you what that is and when you do it, but it would be great to capture all our individual activities in some way in Aenon... suggestions welcomed! OR we could do a collective activity... again, let us know your thoughts and suggestions.

ECO-CHURCH

Checking ourselves!

We are currently actively working towards our Silver Eco Church award and we need your help.

Changing our personal lifestyles is one of the aspects of Eco Church we are looking to address and is essential if we're to worship God with heart, soul and mind.

So what does that mean?

It's not always easy to know where to start and what to do in terms of making changes. We've often included hints and tips in this newsletter on different aspects of our everyday lives can be altered to make them more sustainable.

Change shouldn't be seen as a negative thing (though we so often want to stick with what we know and are comfortable with, which is completely understandable). But the way we currently 'do' things and the choices we make are contributing to the climate and nature crisis. People all around the world (and getting much closer to home all the time) and the natural world itself, our seas, wildlife and animals, food production and landscapes are suffering and we are quickly reaching a point that scientists predicted we would reach in the 2030s – with average global temperatures rising above the safe and recommended 1.5 degrees Celsius.

What can I do?

So, a personal lifestyle audit can help you identify where you are already doing things well and making good choices and also where you can improve. The Creation Care website and tool allows individuals to focus on their home life rather than that of the corporate decisions of the church. The categories are similar to those of the Eco Church scheme but they have a few additional ones. They are:

Poets' Corner

Maundy Thursday, all the world is still
The planes wait, grounded by departure gates
The street is empty and the shopping mall
Deserted. Padlocked, the playground waits
Against the day that children play again
Till then our sad refrain is just refrain.
Maundy Thursday, all the world is still
And Jesus is at supper with his friends
No longer in the upper room, that hall
In Zion where the story starts and ends,
For he descended from it long ago
To find his new friends in the here and now.
Maundy Thursday, all the world is still
And Jesus is at supper with his friends
Our doors are locked for fear, but he has skill
In breaking barriers. With ease he bends
Our prison bars, slips past the sentry post
And joins us as the guest who is our host.
Maundy Thursday All the world is still
But in cramped quarters on the fifteenth floor,
In lonely towers made of glass and steel,
And in the fierce favelas of the poor,
Touching with wounded hands the wounds he tends
Christ Jesus is at supper with his friends.

Malcolm Guite

written for Maundy Thursday 2020 during Covid lockdown.

Helpful Contacts and Information



Aenon Baptist Church Website

www.aenonbaptist.org



www.biblegateway.com



Mobile App

Website www.youversion.com

YouVersion

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the mental health charity**

www.mind.org.uk



www.papyrus-uk.org



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The Dementia Hwb Swansea
Call on 01792 304519

The Dementia Hwb located in The Quadrant, Swansea, is a unique information centre led by Dementia Friendly Swansea.



OPENING TIMES

FRIDAY from 11am until 1pm

Contributions will be welcome during the above times, or on a Thursday from 6-8pm

LOCATION

**Mount Zion Baptist Chapel
Mansel Road
Swansea
SA1 7JR
email Eastsidefoodbank@gmail.com**

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Councillor Paul Lloyd 01792 - 774482
Reg Charity No 1163300



Please send us your prayer requests:
Tel 01792-791611
email:
pastor@aenonbaptist.org
or on Facebook

Prayer Guide for the Month

Community: Woodfield St, Cwmbath Rd, Strawberry Place, Rock Terrace, Bryneithin Terrace, Treharne Rd, Bath Rd, Bath Ave, Lan St, Horeb Rd, Bath Villas, Slate St, Uplands Terrace, Crown St, Clyndu St, Tan Y Lan Ter, Vicarage Rd, Llys Y Graig, Pleasant St, Springfield St, Rosemary Cl, Penrice St, Maes Y Bryn.

Organisations: Voluntary Groups, Churches Together in Morriston, Police, Fire and Ambulance Services, Primary & Senior Schools, Charitable Groups, Doctor's surgeries, the Hospital and A&E.

Persecuted Christians: Pastors and their congregations in India and Pakistan, and organisations / charities supporting them.

Our Church:

Please pray for Pastor Phil & the Diaconate-
For the Holy Spirit to Strengthen & Guide them.

Please pray for all our Church Members and friends at Aenon, and for all who may visit our services and meetings this month. Please pray for members who are sick or housebound, those undergoing or awaiting medical tests

Please pray for our Church Groups and Organisations: Ladies Group, Parent & Toddlers, Knitters & Natters, Worship Team, Bible Study, Working Party, Talking Box.

Bible in One Year Reading Plan

March Readings

Old Testament	New Testament	Psalm	Proverbs
01 Leviticus 24:1-25:46	Mark 10:13-31	Psalm 44:9-26	Proverbs 10:20-21
02 Leviticus 25:47-27:13	Mark 10:32-52	Psalm 45:1-17	Proverbs 10:22
03 Leviticus 27:14-Numbers 1:54	Mark 11:1-26	Psalm 46:1-11	Proverbs 10:23
04 Numbers 2:1-3:51	Mark 11:27-12:17	Psalm 47:1-9	Proverbs 10:24-25
05 Numbers 4:1-5:31	Mark 12:18-37	Psalm 48:1-14	Proverbs 10:26
06 Numbers 6:1-7:89	Mark 12:38-13:13	Psalm 49:1-20	Proverbs 10:27-28
07 Numbers 8:1-9:23	Mark 13:14-37	Psalm 50:1-23	Proverbs 10:29-30
08 Numbers 10:1-11:23	Mark 14:1-21	Psalm 51:1-19	Proverbs 10:31-32
09 Numbers 11:24-13:33	Mark 14:22-52	Psalm 52:1-9	Proverbs 11:1-3
10 Numbers 14:1-15:16	Mark 14:53-72	Psalm 53:1-6	Proverbs 11:4
11 Numbers 15:17-16:40	Mark 15:1-47	Psalm 54:1-7	Proverbs 11:5-6
12 Numbers 16:41-18:32	Mark 16:1-20	Psalm 55:1-23	Proverbs 11:7
13 Numbers 19:1-20:29	Luke 1:1-25	Psalm 56:1-13	Proverbs 11:8
14 Numbers 21:1-22:20	Luke 1:26-56	Psalm 57:1-11	Proverbs 11:9-11
15 Numbers 22:21-23:30	Luke 1:57-80	Psalm 58:1-11	Proverbs 11:12-13
16 Numbers 24:1-25:18	Luke 2:1-35	Psalm 59:1-17	Proverbs 11:14
17 Numbers 26:1-51	Luke 2:36-52	Psalm 60:1-12	Proverbs 11:15
18 Numbers 26:52-28:15	Luke 3:1-22	Psalm 61:1-8	Proverbs 11:16-17
19 Numbers 28:16-29:40	Luke 3:23-38	Psalm 62:1-12	Proverbs 11:18-19
20 Numbers 30:1-31:54	Luke 4:1-30	Psalm 63:1-11	Proverbs 11:20-21
21 Numbers 32:1-33:39	Luke 4:31-5:11	Psalm 64:1-10	Proverbs 11:22
22 Numbers 33:40-35:34	Luke 5:12-28	Psalm 65:1-13	Proverbs 11:23
23 Numbers 36:1-Deut 1:46	Luke 5:29-6:11	Psalm 66:1-20	Proverbs 11:24-26
24 Deuteronomy 2:1-3:29	Luke 6:12-38	Psalm 67:1-7	Proverbs 11:27
25 Deuteronomy 4:1-49	Luke 6:39-7:10	Psalm 68:1-18	Proverbs 11:28
26 Deuteronomy 5:1-6:25	Luke 7:11-35	Psalm 68:19-35	Proverbs 11:29-31
27 Deuteronomy 7:1-8:20	Luke 7:36-8:3	Psalm 69:1-18	Proverbs 12:1
28 Deuteronomy 9:1-10:22	Luke 8:4-21	Psalm 69:19-36	Proverbs 12:2-3
29 Deuteronomy 11:1-12:32	Luke 8:22-39	Psalm 70:1-5	Proverbs 12:4
30 Deuteronomy 13:1-15:23	Luke 8:40-9:6	Psalm 71:1-24	Proverbs 12:5-7
31 Deuteronomy 16:1-17:20	Luke 9:7-27	Psalm 72:1-20	Proverbs 12:8-9

LENT BIBLE STUDIES

Lent Bible Studies continue on Thursday 6.30 culminating in our Maundy Thursday Supper on 28th March.

Everyone is welcome to attend our Bible Studies and our Supper - free of charge.

In order to ensure there is enough food we will need to know in advance if you would like to attend the supper.



Knitters & Matters

Wednesdays
10am - 11.30am

Ladies' Group



Tuesdays 2pm



Parents & Tots Group
Thursday
9.30 - 11.30am



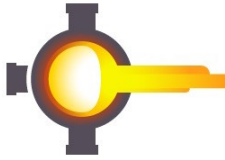
Holy Week

Palm Sunday Services
10:30am & 6:00pm

Tuesday Evening Service
6:30pm

Maundy Thursday Supper
6:30pm

Good Friday Service
10:30am



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