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Please let us know when any notice should be discontinued!

Lectionary readings this week:

Acts 2:1-21 or Ezekiel 37:1-14 * Psalm 104:24-34, 35b * Romans 8:22-27 or Acts 2:1-21

John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

– Services and preachers for next Sunday

St Paul's Aberystwyth:

10.30 am in English – Rev Roger Hides – All Age Worship and Communion

10.30 pm in Welsh – Rev Marty Presdee – Communion Service

6.00 pm [Traditional] – Rev Phillip Poynor at Holy Trinity Church

6.00 pm [Open Space] – Rev Roger Hides

Hafan-Y-Waun – Rev Marty Presdee

Tregaron [@ Tregaron]: 2.30 pm – Rev Roger Hides – Communion Service

Room bookings in St Paul's: If you would like to book a room in St Paul's

– either for a church meeting or for use by an outside organisation – please contact the Bookings

Secretary, Ruth Flatman, on:

Email: stpaulsbookings@gmail.com

Booking information including room hire charges can be found at:

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Minister: Rev Roger Hides
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NOTICES FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING
Sunday 20th May 2018

– Services and preachers for today –

St Paul's, Aberystwyth:

Please join others in a quiet time of reflection, meditation, and personal prayers of thanks and intercession in the *half hour prior to the morning service* upstairs in Room 2.

10.30 am in English – Rev Marty Presdee

2.00 pm in Welsh – Cymanfa Ganu

6.00 pm [Traditional] – At St David's Church

6.00 pm [Church family service and barbecue] – Rev Roger Hides – Service at Julia & Glyn Jenkins' house, followed by barbecue*. **ALL very welcome!** Arrive at church at 5.45 for a lift there and back. Salads or desserts warmly welcomed, but not necessary; please come anyway, to enjoy the worship, fellowship and delicious food. Tel 828673 for further details. *If the weather's absolutely dreadful we'll do it all at St Paul's.

Hafan-Y-Waun – Rev Roger Hides and Sarah Windsor-Hides (Communion Service)

Tregaron [@ Bont]: 2.30 pm – Rev David Whitehouse

Please note that our Communion bread is gluten-free and our Communion 'wine' is non-alcoholic.

THIS WEEK (at St Paul's unless stated otherwise)

Tues - Fri	11am - 1.30pm.....	Coffee Bar + light lunches
Thurs	11am -1.30pm.....	Pay-As-You-Feel Café
Sat	10.00 – 12.00	Action for Children Coffee Morning

A telephone prayer chain of volunteers is available to pray for you and for those for whom you are concerned.

If you need them, please phone any of the following :

Norma and David Green; Heather Jones;
Margaret Jones ; Liz Lee ; Sara Windsor-Hides

- **Today is our final or penultimate Sunday with most of our students, as they leave for the summer – and many will be leaving us forever!!**

So please come along and join the whole church family in saying farewell this evening at an open air church family / Open Space service followed by a barbecue (weather permitting!).

Everyone is welcome to both events; please see the notice on the front page, or ring Glyn and Julia for further details.



- **Before you come along to the barbecue (see above) why not enjoy the Cymanfa Ganu this afternoon at 2.00 pm in St Paul's Methodist Centre:** The Welsh-speaking Methodist congregations have been concentrating on the four principles of Our Calling as Methodist people: worship, learning and caring, service, and evangelism, taking one each year as a special focus. This year is the final theme: evangelism. As Methodists, our hymns embody our faith, and so Ardal Ceredigion will be holding a Cymanfa Ganu (Singing Festival) as part of our focus on the theme. We will be singing hymns chosen by the congregations of the chapels in the Ardal, and there will be a brief introduction to each of the hymns. The service will include prayers on the theme of the prayer initiative Thy Kingdom Come. After the service refreshments will be served. The event will be in Welsh. Everyone is very welcome to attend. Marty
- **Christian Aid Week 2018 continues this week...** Saleable items are needed for the shop (21 – 25 May) in Seion Vestry. This is an opportunity to check in your cupboards and drawers for things you no longer need. (No electric goods or old clothes!) If you can help please contact Arnold.
- **Sadly, a number of our wonderful students are leaving us at the end of this academic year.** In order that we can say goodbye, wish each of them all the best and share memories we have of their time with us, there is a notebook for each of our students. Members of the church family can write messages in these books for them to keep after they leave Aber. These books will be at the back of church after the services and given to the leavers on their final Sunday in Aber. **NB Some are leaving sooner than others so don't miss your chance to write your messages.**
- **ACTION FOR CHILDREN COFFEE MORNING** will now be held on Saturday 26th May between 10.00 and 12.00. The date has been changed so that you can all enjoy the Royal Wedding! This is a very pleasant morning with friends and bargains, book, cakes and cards being available from our stalls. Tickets are £1 or a donation, available from committee members. Please save all those books you were about to sort out and give them to us – either during Coffee Bar or between 6.00 and 7.00pm on the Friday before, when we will be setting up. Yummy cakes also gratefully received. This is a Methodist children's charity and currently supports local children who are carers for sick or disabled parents. Unbelievably, quite a number of children take on responsibilities which should not be asked of youngsters.

- Although it is not indicated in the plan, **next week's morning service will be a communion service** led by Roger.
- **GOLDEN CREATIVE OPPORTUNITY** - Liz Lee will be out of action to do church flowers **from today, Sunday 20 May, to the end of July**, so volunteers are needed to sign up on the rota on the notice board. This is a pleasant task! There are lots of vases and equipment in the flower cupboard. Gardens are abundant. Money is available in the flower fund if you let Liz know. Please clear away dead flowers. Enjoy! Liz Lee
- **Sand Engineers Required!!** The next Messy Church will be on 16th June, and we are hoping to do something a little different this time. The proposal is to meet at the beach (exact venue to be arranged). We will be exploring the story of Joshua, and we hope to build the walls of Jericho out of sand, so we can march round them and knock them down, and then celebrate with a picnic. If you have sand engineering skills that you are willing to share with us, please let Ann Price know. We will have a meeting to discuss the practicalities in St Paul's on 2nd June at 10:30am. Please come if you can, and please continue to pray for Messy Church.
- **Data Protection Law**
You might have noticed that the data protection law is changing. You may have already received emails from companies asking you if you consent to receive messages from them in the future. That is because of this change at the end of May.
We will be doing something similar regarding the email list that we use to distribute the notices. If you are already on that list, please look out for an email from Neil Taylor asking you to give consent to remain on that list. There will be a simple step to follow to give your consent. Please do that if you wish to continue to receive the notices by email. If you don't respond, we will need to remove your address from the email list for now. If you have any questions about this, please speak to Neil Taylor.
- **The Manse garden needs your help!** There are two jobs that are needed; a small fence to be put up and a water feature needs reconnecting - are you the person for the job? Or do you know of someone who is able to do it? If so, please contact Hannah Lee. It would be much appreciated.
- **HOME COLLECTION BOXES** Thank you to all who help Action for Children through home boxes or cheques. Please note that we now count twice a year and would be grateful to have the boxes in again by the end of May. This is an effective way of giving and very much appreciated.
- **June 15th for 10 weeks... Holy Trinity Church, Aberystwyth, invite children aged 7-11 to attend a weekly Singing Course.**
There will be a free taster session on Friday, June 15th, 4pm- 5.15pm.
Thereafter, it will cost £5 each week.
The course will be based on the RSCM "Voice for Life" training scheme.
Please see Sylvia if you are interested and need further information.

- **Many of you will remember Mary Read** from Holy Trinity, who helped regularly in our Coffee Bar for many years.
Sadly, she passed away last month, at Hafan y Waun.
There will be a public funeral service at Holy Trinity this Wednesday, May 23rd, at 1pm.
- **Free booklets for children available in the concourse!**
Is your child (or a child you know) starting school for the first time? Help yourself to a copy of '*It's Your Next Step*'.
Or are you going to secondary school in September? The booklet for you is either '*It's Your Move*' or '*Cam Nesa*'. Best wishes, Norma.
- **Please have a look in the Lost Property Box**, sited at the far end of the concourse.
If the contents are not claimed by the end of June, they will be disposed of.

How much do you enjoy coffee and a chat in St Paul's...?

- **Weekday Coffee Bar Volunteers** needed! Even just once a month could make a huge difference to the rota and it's such a valuable service to the community, including to new students, and to visitors. If interested, please contact Jenny Smith
- **... And, just as importantly:** Please add your name to the rota on the notice board if you would like to help serve coffee **after morning services**. *The time after the morning service is so valuable for giving everyone in the church family the chance to hear about each other's news and problems and to welcome any visitors and newcomers, so please bear in mind that no volunteers means no coffee.*