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Serving the Community Since 1880

Services in August Everyone is Welcome

Sunday 4th

10.30am Service
'Little People, Big Hearts' (Luke 19:1-12)
6.00pm Communion Service
'The Giving Heart' (2 Corinthians 8:1-15)

Sunday 11th

10.30am Service
'What Kind of Tree?' (Matthew 3:1-12)
6.00pm Service
'Movers and Shakers' (Acts 4:23-31)

Sunday 18th

10.30am Communion Service
'Seeking Something' (Matthew 6:25-34)
6.00pm Service
'Knowing Our Calling' (1 Corinthians 1:10-17)

Sunday 25th

10.30am Service
'The Man Who Made Me Well' (John 5:1-15)
6.00pm Service
'A Touch - A Word' (Mark 5:21-43)

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



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

10.00am-12noon

Prayer Service 6.30pm

Thursday: Parents & Tots 9.30-11.30am

Bible Study 6.30-9.00pm

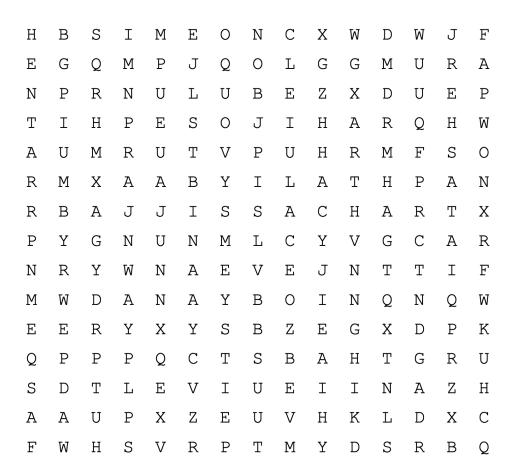
Saturday: Talking Box, Men's Health 10.00am-12noon

(2nd & 4th Saturday of every month)

Cuppa & Chat / Prayer available whenever we are in the building

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

Bible Word Search: TRIBES OF ISRAEL



Use your Bible knowledge to find the Twelve Tribes of Israel hidden in this puzzle.

This month's prize is a Bible Index £1.00 to enter on / or after August 25th. Last Entry September 29th, draw takes place after the evening service.



From the Study Psalm 117 (NIV UK)

1 Praise the LORD, all you nations; extol him, all you peoples.

2 For great is his love towards us, and the faithfulness of the Lord endures for ever. Praise the LORD.

It's often difficult to appreciate the faithfulness of God when we find ourselves in the midst of the struggles of life; and yet that's the exhortation of the Psalmist, to '*Praise the LORD* ... *For great is his love towards us*'. Sometimes we can't see that love through the pain and torment of life's battles, but it doesn't mean God's love isn't there.

In her account of being a prisoner of war at Ravensbrück, Germany, Corrie ten Boom recalls how her sister Betsie gave thanks for everything, including the fleas and lice in their beds.

It was only a while later when Corrie noticed that the guards never came into their inner dorm, where they were able to share the Bible with others, that the reason the guards stayed away from that area was because of the fleas and lice - and so even Corrie began to thank God for these seemingly useless little creatures.

Our gifting may not be great and our struggles may be hard, but God is still faithful and just - His love and faithfulness endures forever.

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

Pastor Phil.

Lord Jesus, please help us to measure the true cost of following You.

Thank You Lord, Amen.

Bible Trivia

What is the shortest book in the New Testament?

What tribe is Paul from?

What is the name of the village where Christ turned water into wine?

How many people boarded Noah's Ark?

What are the ten plagues in order from Exodus?

Where did John baptise his followers?

Answers will be given in next month's Newsletter.





Ask about
ALPHA

For more info go to www.alpha.org

ECO-CHURCH - Continued

"The garden is feeding birds and butterflies and we have seen some birds go in the bird box too!"

"Fairtrade tea, coffee and sugar is improving lives for growers and the new toilet rolls are more environmentally friendly."

Has it prompted you to think or act differently or make any changes in your own daily life?

"Since we've started Eco Church I've been mor aware of products I buy- cleaning products, tea and coffee for example. I accept digital receipts whenever I can rather than paper ones and regularly take clothes to the charity shop. I also have a water meter and 5 water butts!!"

"It's made me more aware of where a lot of the fruit and veg comes from and I use a reusable bag when I go shopping."

"I've bought myself a reusable drinks bottle rather than buying individual bottles of water – saves plastic use and money!"

"Turning electric things off when we've finished with them and using peat free soil."

"Using low energy lights and washable cloths."

"Starting the Eco Church journey has made people realise changes that need to be made in our daily life."

Any suggestions for other things we could be doing or how we sustain a potential Silver award going forward?

"The possibility of fitting water butts?"

"Can we get a grant to have some solar panels?"

"A bird bath could be nice to provide water for birds and insects."

Thank you everyone for your thoughts – sorry we couldn't fit everything in!

ECO-CHURCH

As we have been on our Eco Church journey for a few years by now, it seemed opportune to find out what members and friends of Aenon make of it all.

Here are some of the thoughts given:

Have you learnt something new (new facts about the environment or climate change) since we started Eco Church?

"I've learnt to recycle more efficiently... that we need to keep rubbish out of landfill sites that can damage the earth and have an impact on animal habitats."

"Facts about how long products take to degrade and breakdown once we've finished with them."

"I've been made mindful of food miles and how difficult can be when shopping."

"Yes, that the world temperature has already passed the United Nations forecasts as not enough is being done by the major countries."

Do you think it is important? If so, why?

"As a church we need to be good stewards of our beautiful world. We believe God created it for us and we must ensure we do all the right things to prevent destroying it- conserve wildlife, protect the oceans, and lowering our carbon footprint however we can."

"It's to help protect the earth for our grandchildren isn't it?"

"We are custodians of the world for future generations."

"It is important, yes."

What do you think about some of the changes we've made at Aenon?

"I've enjoyed picking and eating strawberries form the garden here."

"Our garden is not only colourful but a haven for insects, bees and birds. The children are attracted to it too!

"Since we've improved the garden....it's like home."

Poets' Corner

Zacchaeus - Poem by George MacDonald

To whom the heavy burden clings, It yet may serve him like a staff; One day the cross will break in wings, The sinner laugh a holy laugh.

The dwarfed Zacchaeus climbed a tree, His humble stature set him high; The Lord the little man did see Who sought the great man passing by.

Up to the tree he came, and stopped: 'To-day,' he said, 'with thee I bide.'
A spirit-shaken fruit he dropped,
Ripe for the Master, at his side.

Sure never host with gladder look
A welcome guest home with him bore!
Then rose the Satan of rebuke
And loudly spake beside the door:

'This is no place for holy feet; Sinners should house and eat alone! This man sits in the stranger's seat And grinds the faces of his own!'

Outspoke the man, in Truth's own might:

'Lord, half my goods I give the poor;

If one I've taken more than right

With four I make atonement sure!'

'Salvation here is entered in; This man indeed is Abraham's son!' Said he who came the lost to win-And saved the lost whom he had won.

Helpful Contacts and Information



Aenon Baptist Church Website

www.aenonbaptist.org





Mobile App

Website www.youversion.com

We're Mind Cymru, the mental health charity











Empowerment, safety and support for women and children experiencing domestic abuse.



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

LOCATION

Mount Zion Baptist Chapel Mansel Road email Eastsidefoodbank@gmail.com



Hospitality & Hope in the Heart of Swansea

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

Prayer Guide for the Month

Community: Woodfield St, Cymbath 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, Llvs 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

August Readings

_		Old Testament	New Testament	Psalm	<u>Proverbs</u>
	01	2 Chronicles 30:1-31:21	Romans 15:1-22	Psalm 25:1-15	Proverbs 20:13-15
	02	2 Chronicles 32:1-33:13	Romans 15:23-16:9	Psalm 25:16-22	Proverbs 20:16-18
	03	2 Chronicles 33:14-34:33	Romans 16:10-27	Psalm 26:1-12	Proverbs 20:19
	04	2 Chronicles 35:1-36:23	1 Corinthians 1:1-17	Psalm 27:1-6	Proverbs 20:20-21
	05	Ezra 1:1-2:70	1 Corinthians 1:18-2:5	Psalm 27:7-14	Proverbs 20:22-23
	06	Ezra 3:1-4:23	1 Corinthians 2:6-3:4	Psalm 28:1-9	Proverbs 20:24-25
	07	Ezra 4:24-6:22	1 Corinthians 3:5-23	Psalm 29:1-11	Proverbs 20:26-27
	08	Ezra 7:1-8:20	1 Corinthians 4:1-21	Psalm 30:1-12	Proverbs 20:28-30
	09	Ezra 8:21-9:15	1 Corinthians 5:1-13	Psalm 31:1-8	Proverbs 21:1-2
	10	Ezra 10:1-44	1 Corinthians 6:1-20	Psalm 31:9-18	Proverbs 21:3
	11	Nehemiah 1:1-3:14	1 Corinthians 7:1-24	Psalm 31:19-24	Proverbs 21:4
	12	Nehemiah 3:15-5:13	1 Corinthians 7:25-40	Psalm 32:1-11	Proverbs 21:5-7
	13	Nehemiah 5:14-7:73	1 Corinthians 8:1-13	Psalm 33:1-11	Proverbs 21:8-10
	14	Nehemiah 7:73-9:21	1 Corinthians 9:1-18	Psalm 33:12-22	Proverbs 21:11-12
	15	Nehemiah 9:22-10:39	1 Corinthians 9:19-10:13	Psalm 34:1-10	Proverbs 21:13
	16	Nehemiah 11:1-12:26	1 Corinthians 10:14-33	Psalm 34:11-22	Proverbs 21:14-16
	17	Nehemiah 12:27-13:31	1 Corinthians 11:1-16	Psalm 35:1-16	Proverbs 21:17-18
	18	Esther 1:1-3:15	1 Corinthians 11:17-34	Psalm 35:17-28	Proverbs 21:19-20
	19	Esther 4:1-7:10	1 Corinthians 12:1-26	Psalm 36:1-12	Proverbs 21:21-22
	20	Esther 8:1-10:3	1 Corinthians 12:27-13:13	Psalm 37:1-11	Proverbs 21:23-24
	21	Job 1:1-3:26	1 Corinthians 14:1-17	Psalm 37:12-29	Proverbs 21:25-26
	22	Job 4:1-7:21	1 Corinthians 14:18-40	Psalm 37:30-40	Proverbs 21:27
	23	Job 8:1-11:20	1 Corinthians 15:1-28	Psalm 38:1-22	Proverbs 21:28-29
	24	Job 12:1-15:35	1 Corinthians 15:29-58	Psalm 39:1-13	Proverbs 21:30-31
	25	Job 16:1-19:29	1 Corinthians 16:1-24	Psalm 40:1-10	Proverbs 22:1
	26	Job 20:1-22:30	2 Corinthians 1:1-11	Psalm 40:11-17	Proverbs 22:2-4
	27	Job 23:1-27:23	2 Corinthians 1:12-2:11	Psalm 41:1-13	Proverbs 22:5-6
	28	Job 28:1-30:31	2 Corinthians 2:12-17	Psalm 42:1-11	Proverbs 22:7
	29	Job 31:1-33:33	2 Corinthians 3:1-18	Psalm 43:1-5	Proverbs 22:8-9
	30	Job 34:1-36:33	2 Corinthians 4:1-12	Psalm 44:1-8	Proverbs 22:10-12
	31	Job 37:1-39:30	2 Corinthians 4:13-5:10	Psalm 44:9-26	Proverbs 22:13

Parents & Tots Group Thursday 9. 30 – 11. 30 am During Term Time



Ladies' Group



Thanks to June Young, Eirwen Evans and Jan Davies for the delicious cream tea at the last meeting before the summer break.

Group starts back September 3rd.





If you would like to learn more about Baptism and Church Membership please speak with Pastor Phil

We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life. (Romans 6:4)



A Taste of History

1888 — 1926

TO THE GLORY OF COD

AND IN CRATEFUL REMEMBRANCE

OF THE REVEREND

DRUID SAMUEL

WHO DIED JUNE 2. 1926, ACED 78.

FOR 38 YEARS HE WAS THE HONOURED

MINISTER OF THIS CHURCH.

"LORD I HAVE LOVED THE HABITATION

OF THY HOUSE AND THE PLACE

WHERE THINE HONOUR DWELLETH."

A Taste of History (Continued)

The first meeting of the newly formed 'Aenon English Baptist Church' took place on Tuesday October the 14th 1879. A meeting had taken place the previous Tuesday at Seion Welsh Baptist Chapel Morriston, to consider starting an English Baptist cause in the town. The first meeting of the new church was on the 14th October and took place in the clubroom of the Old Dolphin in Woodfield Street.

After six weeks of meeting together this fledgling church decided to look at building it's own place of worship. The land was purchased and the cornerstone was laid on Thursday June 10th 1880, later that year the keys were handed over by the builders to the building committee on Tuesday the 14th December 1880.

The first minister was the Rev. W. Johns and he held the post for eight years. In 1888 the Rev. David Samuel was appointed Pastor, he began his working life as a shoemakers apprentice before being called to the ministry. Following training at Haverfordwest Baptist College he was inducted as Pastor of Saundersfoot Baptist Church, from there he moved to West Cross then to Mount Calvary, Danygraig before taking charge of Aenon in 1888. The Rev. David Samuel remained as Minister until his death in June 1926.





