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Monthly Newsletter September 2024



Serving the
Community Since
1880

Services in September

Everyone is Welcome

Sunday 1st

10.30am Service

Visiting Preacher - Roy Morgan

6.00pm Communion Service

'What a Cost!' (1 Corinthians 6:12-20)

Sunday 8th

Sisterhood Sunday

10.30am Service

Visiting Preacher - Stephen Loader

6.00pm Service

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Sunday 15th

10.30am Communion Service

'Hair Today, Gone Tomorrow' (Judges 16:1-22)

6.00pm Service

'Stepping Out in Faith' (Ecclesiastes 11:1-6)

Sunday 22nd

10.30am Service

'Jealousy' (Esther Ch 6)

6.00pm Service

'Selfless Thoughts' (Isaiah Ch 39)

Sunday 29th

10.30am Service

'Are You Breathing?' (Psalm 150)

6.00pm Service

'End Times' (Daniel Ch 12)

*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

God's Strong Man: Samson

"You will become pregnant and give birth to a son, and his hair must never be cut. For he will be dedicated to God as a Nazirite from birth. He will begin to rescue Israel from the Philistines." Judges 13:5 (NLT)



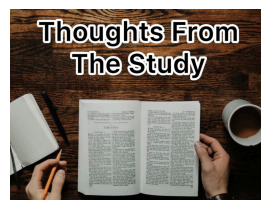
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BORN	TEMPLE	DELILAH	ANGEL	SECRET

This month's prize is a Bible Atlas

£1.00 to enter on / or after September 29th.

**Last Entry October 27th, draw takes place
after the evening service.**



From the Study Matthew 22:37-39 (RSV)

37 And he said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. 38 This is the great and first commandment. 39 And a second is like it, You shall love your neighbour as yourself."

Jesus tells us that these are the two greatest (most important) commandments. Most of us, if not all of us, struggle with these because we struggle with the second one:

'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.'

We most often struggle with this because many people find it hard to love themselves; usually because of physical appearance, or ability, or social standing. We must always remember first and foremost that we are created in the image of God - our appearance or anything else doesn't dictate that, it is simply a fact. So, if we say we don't love ourselves it's the same as saying we don't love God. It also stands to reason that if we don't love our neighbour as ourselves then we don't love ourselves ... you see the pattern emerging.

'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.'

To truly love God we must first love ourselves and love others as He loves us.

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

Pastor Phil.

Lord Jesus, please help us to truly understand what it is to love You.

Thank You Lord, Amen.

Bible Trivia (from last month)

What is the shortest book in the New Testament?

3rd letter of John

What tribe is Paul from? **Benjamin**

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

How many people boarded Noah's Ark? **Eight**

What are the ten plagues in order from Exodus?
Blood, Frogs, Gnats, Flies, Livestock, Boils, Hail, Locust, Darkness, Death of firstborn

Where did John baptise his followers? **Bethany beyond Jordan**

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 ...

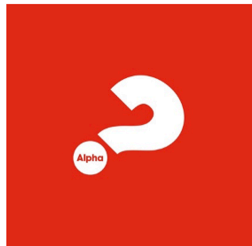


THE TALKING BOX
Men's Health Matters

**2nd & 4th Saturdays
of Every Month**

10am - 12noon

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**If you have questions
about Christianity**

Ask about
ALPHA

**For more info go to
www.alpha.org**

ECO-CHURCH - Continued

We can now be an example to other churches in the area by telling them what we've done and what our future plans are.

We will proudly display our silver award certificate and hopefully also purchase a plaque!

Thank you all for your collective efforts in this- but the journey doesn't stop!

Delyth Higgins



ECO-CHURCH

As a church we have achieved our Silver Eco Church award- which is fantastic news! A huge amount has been achieved within the past few years, but especially since last October when we received our Bronze award.

This includes:

- Officially adopting our Ethical Purchasing Policy
- Twinning 8 toilets as part of the Toilet Twinning scheme
- Developing the garden- a lot more planting, including edible things like herbs, lettuce, strawberries but also flowers in pots, hanging baskets and wildflowers.
- Two bird boxes and a bee box put up.
- Using recycled paper in the office
- Doing our first community litter pick

All of these and much more have helped us achieve this level of award and it is something to be very proud of.

Because of my role as Eco Church Officer for Wales I know that we are the among the very nearly 70 silver awards in Wales, (across all denominations) but we are only the third Baptist Church in Wales to obtain silver. There are 9 other silver awards in Swansea.

Poets' Corner

What is Samson's boasted strength
Before Delilah's art!
He must yield to her at length
And tell her all his heart.
She has got his secret now,
Got his head upon her lap,
And cuts the locks which shade his brow,
Then wakes him from his nap:

Wakes him from his pleasing sleep
And sells him to his foes;
Now, too late, he comes to reap
The harvest of his woes:
Mocked by cruel enemies,
Fettered with the captive's chain,
He mourns the loss of both his eyes
And groans with inward pain.

Samson's is no lonely case;
We have Delilah's still-
Men who could a lion face,
Yet bend to woman's will,
Men, tho' physically strong,
Made a woman's willing slave,
To vice and ruin urged along,
And dragged down to the grave.

If you wish your strength to keep,
Beware of Samson's nap,
Never lay your head to sleep
Upon Delilah's lap;
She will ply her cunning art,
Making you her easy tool;
And when you've told her all your heart,
She'll spurn you as a fool.

Mary Jacqueline Simon Moore

Helpful Contacts and Information



Aenon Baptist Church Website

www.aenonbaptist.org



www.biblegateway.com



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The Dementia Hwb Swansea
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Swansea, is a unique information centre led by
Dementia Friendly Swansea.**



Rev. Chris Lewis 01792 - 412755
Councillor Paul Lloyd 01792 - 774482
Reg Charity No 1163300

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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Hope in the
Heart of
Swansea

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Please send us your prayer
requests:
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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, Lllys 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

September Readings

	Old Testament	New Testament	Psalms	Proverbs
01	Job 40:1-42:17	2 Corinthians 5:11-21	Psalms 45:1-17	Proverbs 22:14
02	Ecclesiastes 1:1-3:22	2 Corinthians 6:1-13	Psalms 46:1-11	Proverbs 22:15
03	Ecclesiastes 4:1-6:12	2 Corinthians 6:14-7:7	Psalms 47:1-9	Proverbs 22:16
04	Ecclesiastes 7:1-9:18	2 Corinthians 7:8-16	Psalms 48:1-14	Proverbs 22:17-19
05	Ecclesiastes 10:1-12:14	2 Corinthians 8:1-15	Psalms 49:1-20	Proverbs 22:20-21
06	Song of Solomon 1:1-4:16	2 Corinthians 8:16-24	Psalms 50:1-23	Proverbs 22:22-23
07	Song of Solomon 5:1-8:14	2 Corinthians 9:1-15	Psalms 51:1-19	Proverbs 22:24-25
08	Isaiah 1:1-2:22	2 Corinthians 10:1-18	Psalms 52:1-9	Proverbs 22:26-27
09	Isaiah 3:1-5:30	2 Corinthians 11:1-15	Psalms 53:1-6	Proverbs 22:28-29
10	Isaiah 6:1-7:25	2 Corinthians 11:16-33	Psalms 54:1-7	Proverbs 23:1-3
11	Isaiah 8:1-9:21	2 Corinthians 12:1-10	Psalms 55:1-23	Proverbs 23:4-5
12	Isaiah 10:1-11:16	2 Corinthians 12:11-21	Psalms 56:1-13	Proverbs 23:6-8
13	Isaiah 12:1-14:32	2 Corinthians 13:1-14	Psalms 57:1-11	Proverbs 23:9-11
14	Isaiah 15:1-18:7	Galatians 1:1-24	Psalms 58:1-11	Proverbs 23:12
15	Isaiah 19:1-21:17	Galatians 2:1-16	Psalms 59:1-17	Proverbs 23:13-14
16	Isaiah 22:1-24:23	Galatians 2:17-3:9	Psalms 60:1-12	Proverbs 23:15-16
17	Isaiah 25:1-28:13	Galatians 3:10-22	Psalms 61:1-8	Proverbs 23:17-18
18	Isaiah 28:14-30:11	Galatians 3:23-4:31	Psalms 62:1-12	Proverbs 23:19-21
19	Isaiah 30:12-33:9	Galatians 5:1-12	Psalms 63:1-11	Proverbs 23:22
20	Isaiah 33:10-36:22	Galatians 5:13-26	Psalms 64:1-10	Proverbs 23:23
21	Isaiah 37:1-38:22	Galatians 6:1-18	Psalms 65:1-13	Proverbs 23:24
22	Isaiah 39:1-41:16	Ephesians 1:1-23	Psalms 66:1-20	Proverbs 23:25-28
23	Isaiah 41:17-43:13	Ephesians 2:1-22	Psalms 67:1-7	Proverbs 23:29-35
24	Isaiah 43:14-45:10	Ephesians 3:1-21	Psalms 68:1-18	Proverbs 24:1-2
25	Isaiah 45:11-48:11	Ephesians 4:1-16	Psalms 68:19-35	Proverbs 24:3-4
26	Isaiah 48:12-50:11	Ephesians 4:17-32	Psalms 69:1-18	Proverbs 24:5-6
27	Isaiah 51:1-53:12	Ephesians 5:1-33	Psalms 69:19-36	Proverbs 24:7
28	Isaiah 54:1-57:14	Ephesians 6:1-24	Psalms 70:1-5	Proverbs 24:8
29	Isaiah 57:15-59:21	Philippians 1:1-26	Psalms 71:1-24	Proverbs 24:9-10
30	Isaiah 60:1-62:5	Philippians 1:27-2:18	Psalms 72:1-20	Proverbs 24:11-12

**Parents &
Tots Group
Thursday
9.30 – 11.30am**
During Term Time



Ladies' Group



Tuesdays 2pm



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)



Music Team Singing Practice

1st Tuesday of Every Month
Meets next on Tuesday 3rd September

A Taste of History (Continued)



A Taste of History

John Myles organized the earliest Baptist church in Wales, in 1651. During Oliver Cromwell's rule, Myles's church occupied the thirteenth-century Church of St. Illtyd, located on a small country lane, at Ilston, near the west end of the Swansea airfield. At the Restoration of the British monarchy, in 1660, officials of Charles II ousted John Myles and his congregation from St. Illtyd Church. Baptists fled the area, but strong tradition testifies that Myles and a remnant of his people worshipped secretly in a secluded building, now in ruins, a half mile from the Church of St. Illtyd.

For the shortest walk to the site, begin at Gower Inn, in nearby Parkmill. Near the west end of the Inn's parking lot is a wide iron gate, to the left of which is this bronze inscription:

The path beyond this gate leads to the Ilston Memorial erected in 1928. On the ruins of the meeting place of the Baptist Church founded by John Myles in 1649, the Memorial is built from the original stones.

The "Ilston Memorial" is a stone pulpit, standing among the ancient ruins of the Baptist chapel, formerly a Roman Catholic chapel. To reach the site, follow the path for a delightful quarter-mile walk into the Ilston Valley. At certain points along the way, you will see the stream, known by locals as the "Killy Willy," running along near the path. Twisting and winding across the valley floor, the Killy Willy cuts across the path in several places, where small, wooden, foot bridges allow you to continue to the medieval chapel called "Trinity Well." Underneath the chapel's stone foundation is a spring to which superstitious Catholics once flocked for its promised healing powers. There is no record of when the chapel fell into disuse. The Memorial pulpit holds a carved, open Bible. Underneath the Bible is a plaque with this inscription:

To commemorate the foundation in this valley of the first Baptist Church in Wales 1649-60 and to honour the memory of its founder John Myles. This ruin is the site of the pre-Reformation chapel of Trinity Well and is claimed by tradition as a meeting place of the above Cromwellian Church. This memorial has been erected with the permission of Admiral A.W. Heneage Vivian, C.R.M.V.O. and was unveiled by the Rt. Hon. D. Lloyd George. M.P.O.M., 13th June 1928.



**Knitters &
Matters**

Wednesdays
10am - 11.30am

**PRAYER
SERVICE**

JOIN US IN PRAYER

Every Wednesday
6.30pm



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Delilah cut Samson's hair while he slept.