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Monthly Newsletter

December 2025



Serving the
Community Since
1880

Sunday Services in December

Everyone is Welcome

Sunday 7th

2nd Sunday of Advent

10.30am Service

'Isaiah 9:2-7'

6.00pm Communion Service

'Psalm 22'

Sunday 14th

3rd Sunday of Advent

10.30am Service

'Family Carol Service'

6.00pm Service

'Luke 1:26-45'

Sunday 21st

4th Sunday of Advent

10.30am Communion Service

'Luke 2:1-9'

6.00pm Service

'Carol Service'

Sunday 28th

10.30am Service

'Luke 2:8-20'

6.00pm Service

'Matthew 2:1-12'

*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

Monday: Cwmtawe Bereavement Café 9.30-11.00am
Village Voices Choir 7.00-9.00pm

Tuesday: Ladies Group 2.00-4.00pm
Lee's Freestyle Kickboxing (6.00-7.30pm)
Copper City Chorus 7.00-9.00pm

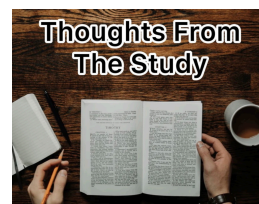
Wednesday: Knitters & Natters – Church Fellowship
Group 10.00am-12noon
Prayer Service 6.30pm

Thursday: Parents & Tots 9.30-11.30am
Lee's Freestyle Kickboxing (6.00-7.30pm)
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.**



From the Study
Isaiah 9:6 (International Children's Bible)

A child will be born to us.

God will give a son to us.

He will be responsible for leading the people.

His name will be Wonderful Counselor, Powerful God,

Father Who Lives Forever, Prince of Peace.

I don't know if you've noticed, but, the Christmas season is here again. I saw two news articles over the last fortnight which foretold the impending doom for people this year: the first said that British people are set for 'a miserable Christmas' in this year's Budget; the second said that Christmas is ruined for many due to turkeys being culled as a result of Bird Flu. The latest negative is that the Home Office has now seemingly eradicated Christmas from its media publications, and Tesco is now selling artificial 'Evergreen' trees.

All this tells me is that people, including the media and the supermarkets, have no idea what Christmas is. The old pop song tells us that Christmas is, 'The most wonderful time of the year', but for many it isn't; peace and goodwill to all, but many will not receive peace or goodwill, some won't even go to church because they just don't feel 'good enough', and some churchgoers give that message by the way they hold their eyes.

Christmas has been hijacked by society, with many churches / Christians following suit. The most important person on Christmas Day is Jesus, but, sadly many Christians won't even mention His name on Christmas Day. People have their own views and ideals of Christmas:

Christmas to me means having one day to spend time with family and reminisce on the many moments we've had. I get to feel my mother's love not through words but through the actions she does on that day. From preparing food to decorating and getting the day set. -Kim

It's giving a lot of love and cherishing the people around you. - Hanifah

It's a time for families and loved ones to gather and celebrate life, love, and accomplishments or ordeals. - George

For me, Christmas is about joy. It's taking time to celebrate the unconditional grace and love that Jesus brought into our world. What an amazing gift! - Marvellous

Christmas is only ever about Jesus, born in Bethlehem because God fulfilled His promise -

A child will be born to us.

God will give a son to us.

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

Pastor Phil.

Lord Jesus, keep us always in Your word.

Thank You Lord, Amen.

A King in Bethlehem

No-one expected a king in Bethlehem,
'King David's Royal town';
But a baby was born a king in Bethlehem,
King of all creation, King of the Universe,
King of love, King of glory, King of peace.

Born in a stable? A king?
The shepherds told of the angels of glory,
The baby they proclaimed, 'Messiah, the Lord,'
'Wrapped in cloths, lying in a manger';
They saw Him there, King Jesus,
A baby, His mother Mary and Joseph watching o'er.

A King? No imperial gowns, or ornate crib,
But simple cloths, a feeding trough and straw;
Yet more than a king, the Son of God,
Foretold, anticipated; but who was ready
To receive and welcome this precious child?

Two thousand years have passed in time
And still so many neglect this special child;
A tradition, a triviality, an inconvenience perhaps;
But without this child CHRISTmas doesn't exist,
No King, no hope, no rescue from sin.
Therefore, give thanks unto God for His Bethlehem King.



HOLY NIGHT

CHRISTMAS WORD SEARCH

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ANGEL	FRANKINCENSE	JESUS	MYRRH
BABY	GIFTS	JOSEPH	SON
BETHLEHEM	GOLD	KING	STABLES
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DONKEY	HOLY	MARY	WISE MEN

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Even if a bra is not suitable for wearing, we make sure it doesn't go to waste. We recycle the parts and donate the money to Breast Cancer research.

If you need a Bra Bank at your workplace or school, let us know.

You can also drop off your unwanted bras with us, and we'll take care of everything.



Helpful Contacts and Information



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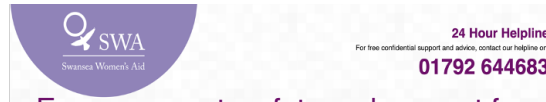
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Rev. Chris Lewis 01792 - 412755
Councillor Paul Lloyd 01792 - 774482
Reg Charity No 1163300

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
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Bible in One Year Reading Plan

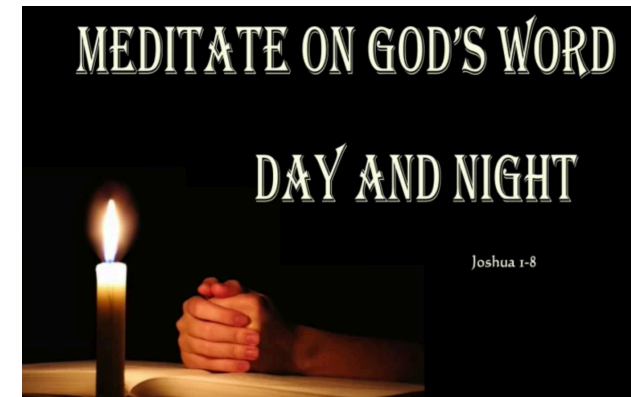
December Readings

	Old Testament	New Testament	Psalms	Proverbs
□ 01	Daniel 8:1-27	1 John 2:1-17	Psalms 120:1-7	Proverbs 28:25-26
□ 02	Daniel 9:1-11:1	1 John 2:18-3:6	Psalms 121:1-8	Proverbs 28:27-28
□ 03	Daniel 11:2-35	1 John 3:7-24	Psalms 122:1-9	Proverbs 29:1
□ 04	Daniel 11:36-12:13	1 John 4:1-21	Psalms 123:1-4	Proverbs 29:2-4
□ 05	Hosea 1:1-3:5	1 John 5:1-21	Psalms 124:1-8	Proverbs 29:5-8
□ 06	Hosea 4:1-5:15	2 John 1:1-13	Psalms 125:1-5	Proverbs 29:9-11
□ 07	Hosea 6:1-9:17	3 John 1:1-15	Psalms 126:1-6	Proverbs 29:12-14
□ 08	Hosea 10:1-14:9	Jude 1:1-25	Psalms 127:1-5	Proverbs 29:15-17
□ 09	Joel 1:1-3:21	Revelation 1:1-20	Psalms 128:1-6	Proverbs 29:18
□ 10	Amos 1:1-3:15	Revelation 2:1-17	Psalms 129:1-8	Proverbs 29:19-20
□ 11	Amos 4:1-6:14	Revelation 2:18-3:6	Psalms 130:1-8	Proverbs 29:21-22
□ 12	Amos 7:1-9:15	Revelation 3:7-22	Psalms 131:1-3	Proverbs 29:23
□ 13	Obadiah 1:1-21	Revelation 4:1-11	Psalms 132:1-18	Proverbs 29:24-25
□ 14	Jonah 1:1-4:11	Revelation 5:1-14	Psalms 133:1-3	Proverbs 29:26-27
□ 15	Micah 1:1-4:13	Revelation 6:1-17	Psalms 134:1-3	Proverbs 30:1-4
□ 16	Micah 5:1-7:20	Revelation 7:1-17	Psalms 135:1-21	Proverbs 30:5-6
□ 17	Nahum 1:1-3:19	Revelation 8:1-13	Psalms 136:1-26	Proverbs 30:7-9
□ 18	Habakkuk 1:1-3:19	Revelation 9:1-21	Psalms 137:1-9	Proverbs 30:10
□ 19	Zephaniah 1:1-3:20	Revelation 10:1-11	Psalms 138:1-8	Proverbs 30:11-14
□ 20	Haggai 1:1-2:23	Revelation 11:1-19	Psalms 139:1-24	Proverbs 30:15-16
□ 21	Zechariah 1:1-21	Revelation 12:1-17	Psalms 140:1-13	Proverbs 30:17
□ 22	Zechariah 2:1-3:10	Revelation 13:1-13:18	Psalms 141:1-10	Proverbs 30:18-20
□ 23	Zechariah 4:1-5:11	Revelation 14:1-20	Psalms 142:1-7	Proverbs 30:21-23
□ 24	Zechariah 6:1-7:14	Revelation 15:1-8	Psalms 143:1-12	Proverbs 30:24-28
□ 25	Zechariah 8:1-23	Revelation 16:1-21	Psalms 144:1-15	Proverbs 30:29-31
□ 26	Zechariah 9:1-17	Revelation 17:1-18	Psalms 145:1-21	Proverbs 30:32
□ 27	Zechariah 10:1-11:17	Revelation 18:1-24	Psalms 146:1-10	Proverbs 30:33
□ 28	Zechariah 12:1-13:9	Revelation 19:1-21	Psalms 147:1-20	Proverbs 31:1-7
□ 29	Zechariah 14:1-21	Revelation 20:1-15	Psalms 148:1-14	Proverbs 31:8-9
□ 30	Malachi 1:1-2:17	Revelation 21:1-27	Psalms 149:1-9	Proverbs 31:10-24
□ 31	Malachi 3:1-4:6	Revelation 22:1-21	Psalms 150:1-6	Proverbs 31:25-31

MEDITATE ON GOD'S WORD

DAY AND NIGHT

Joshua 1:8





**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)**

**Aenon
Prayer
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Number**

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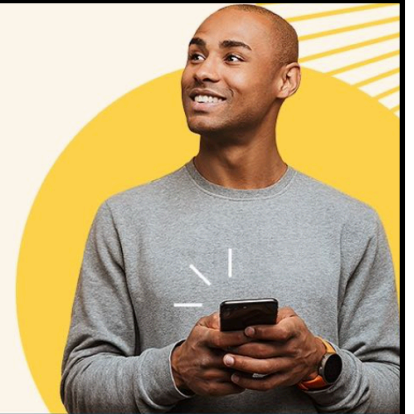
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ECO-Matters (Continued)

- Make your own gift tags: you can recycle parts from the cards you received last year or cut out seasonal shapes from colourful card packaging.
- Consider a gift that keeps on giving such as a plant or membership to a wildlife or heritage charity
- Don't be tempted to buy food that you don't like, just because its 'traditional'

Facts about Christmas waste:

The additional waste generated during Christmas could fill 50,000 double-decker buses.

Every Christmas, the amount of waste produced in the UK increases 30 %, according to a study by Biffa. That includes an estimated 365,000 kilometres of unrecyclable wrapping paper-enough to wrap around the equator nine times and 1 billion cards that end up in the bin.

The UK discards approximately 8 million real Christmas trees each year. Landfilled real trees can release up to 16 kg of CO₂ as they decompose. Artificial trees, often made of non-recyclable plastic, require at least 10 years of use to offset their environmental impact compared to real trees.

Each family wastes an average of £60 worth of food over the Christmas period.

The UK discards over 500 tonnes of Christmas lights annually.

Let us know which of these suggestions you choose to implement, as it would be good to hear your feedback!



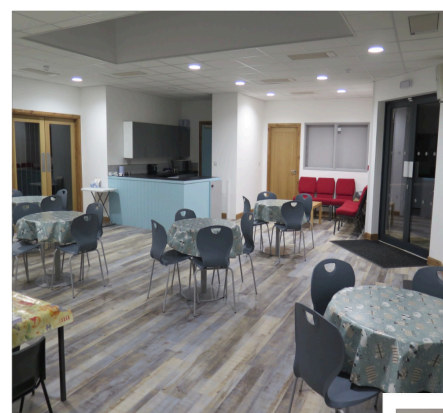
**Morning Prayer Meeting
to pray for our Sunday services,
our town, our members and
friends, children and much
more.**

**Meeting on the first Sunday of
every month at 8.00am.**

**Tea, Coffee and Toast
will be provided.**



Hiring Our Premises



Our premises are available to hire for one off or regular groups or events.

Please contact our Church Secretary at secretary@aenonbaptist.

ECO-Matters

Christmas preparation

It probably won't surprise you that this month's 'eco matters' is all about Christmas and some of the ways that we can all reduce at least some of the impact we have during this season. The aim isn't to take away from the celebrations but to balance enjoyment with thoughtful, sustainable actions. Tell your family and friends about them too.

Small changes like recycling properly, avoiding single-use items, and planning ahead of time can all have a positive impact.

- Check all your Christmas lights and if you need to buy make sure they are LED to minimise energy use; have outdoor lights on timer so that they are only turned on after dark and until bedtime.
- Avoid greetings cards and wrapping paper with foil or glitter as they cannot be recycled with paper and card.
- Shop local for gifts and look out for local crafts to minimise the carbon footprint of your presents, or make some yourself, like.....
- Think about giving homemade preserves or baked treats - you could even make up a small local produce hamper for a special friend or neighbour.
- If you give toiletries, look for those that are eco-friendly and contain no palm oil. Shampoo bars, solid soap and other toiletries, sold without any plastic packaging.



**MATTHEW'S
HOUSE**

**Christmas Donations
for the Homeless of
Swansea**

Sanitary items
Hygiene items
Sleeping bags
Toothpaste
Toothbrush
Deodorant
Hairbrush

Pants
Socks
Tampons/pads etc
Wet wipes & small
packs of tissues
Underwear and socks
Small deodorant
sprays
Mints and gum
Lip balm/chap sticks



*A family
Christmas
Carol Service*

**Sunday 14th December
10.30am**



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Our
Christmas
Carol
Service**

**Sunday 21st
December
6.00pm**

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A Christmas of Light

A Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

11.30pm