

Aberdare Unitarians at
Highland Place.
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Croeso i Highland Place.

March 2018 Mawrth

SUNDAY SERVICE

- Feb. 25th at 11 a.m.: Hilda Dumpleton
Fellowship: Christine & Dilys
- March 4th at 3 p.m.: Joint Service at Cefncoed.
Cars available. Leaving HP 2.15.
- March 11th at 11 a.m.: Hilda Dumpleton
Fellowship: Merrilee
- March. 18th at 6 p.m.: CHURCH AGM
Meet at 5 p.m. for Tea, followed by AGM
and short service. Rev. Eric Jones.
Fellowship at 5 p.m.: Margaret & Joan.
- March 25th at 6 p.m.: Julie Nedin
Fellowship: Anne & Eric.
- April 1st at 6 p.m.: Musical Service
Fellowship: Barbara & Diane



DONT FORGET OUR REGULAR EVENTS

**Mondays from 10 a.m: Coffee Morning
for the Community.**

Monday at 2.30 p.m: Meditation Group

Wednesday at 2 p.m. Women's League.

**FOOD BANK:The Food Bank donations
have once again been transferred. Please
help to contribute what you can as this is a
continuing appeal. Non perishable food only**

**please. Thanks to Tony & Joy for delivering
to Merthyr.**

WOMEN'S LEAGUE: Weds. at 2 p.m

Feb. 28th: Welsh afternoon. Bring a plate.

Thought: Marion. Hosts: Joy/Anne W.

March 7th: Musical afternoon. Bring a CD

Thought: Anne J. Hosts Christine & Margaret.

March 14th: Speaker . Project Raffle

Thought: Pat. Hosts Barbara & Pat.

March 21st: District AGM at Cefncoed

March 28th: Lunch out at Aberdare College.

April 4th: No Meeting. Easter.

FUTURE EVENTS:

2nd March: Women's World Day of Prayer at
St John's Church at 2 p.m.

4th March: Joint Service at Cefncoed 3 p.m.

10th March: Coffee Morning for Mental Health.

Stall from 10.30 a.m. Speaker at 11 a.m

18th March: Annual General Meeting, Join us
at 5 p.m for tea. Everyone welcome.

1st April: Music Service at 6 p.m.

28th April (Sat.); District AGM at H. Place.

4th - 7th April: General Assembly Meetings

22nd April: Joint Service with Muslim
Community at **11 a.m.**

18th Aug: Wedding at Highland Place.

15th Sept. Executive Meeting at Wick

GIFT: We are pleased to announce that a Gift
of £1,000 has been received from the family of
Hazel Jones in memory of her. The sum will be
added to the Investment Fund with the interest
used yearly for church purposes.

INVITATION: The Gellionnen Congregation
invite members of Highland Place to join them
for a trip to Winchester (staying one night) on
Nov.24th/25th. The cost will be £105 (£130
single). Deposit of £50 by the end of March.
Please inform Anne as soon as possible if you
are interested so that they are able to book a
bus in good time.

PRIDE CYMRU: Unitarians will be taking
part in this event in Cardiff on August 25th. If
you are interested in joining the group, let
Anne Jones know, so that numbers are known
well in advance.

MORNING SERVICES Have been well
attended during January and February and
some members have expressed an interest in

having them more often during the rest of the year. Let us know your thoughts.

WELCOME SERVICES AT CARDIFF:

Highland Place was represented at the Welcome Service for Stephen Lingwood at Cardiff Unitarians. Stephen is working on a different kind of Ministry in the Cardiff area and we wish him well for the future.

SIOP GORNEL/CORNER SHOP:

Have you browsed around the Siop Gornel in the hall ? Now offering new and almost new items as well as some homemade products - gifts, cards, jam, chutney etc.

They are offered for sale with an Honest Box placed there for your money. Every item will be priced and the items will be changed every week or fortnight. Any items, esp. some handiwork, home made jams and chutneys, jewellery, plants - we need them as soon as you can. The stock will depend on your contributions. Any contributions for the shop should be given to Anne Jones please.

We are pleased to announce that the shop made £383 from the beginning of October until the end of the year. Now transferred to Church Funds

BUILDING PROBLEMS: The front wall of the church needs attention from a specialist builder and an estimate is being sought from Taliesin Builders in Blackwood. There are some leaks in the hall and kitchen also and that needs attention urgently. An estimate cost of just over £45,000 has been received and it will obviously need to be tackled over a three or four year period. The Building and Finance Group will meet to draw up a plan regarding grants and appeals which need to be made. Any offers of loans or donations will surely be welcomed.

CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES: These are available for your weekly church contributions - a set for the year can be obtained from either Joan or Merrilee.

Contribution for the Monthly Calendar:

It is suggested that a contribution of £2 would cover the ink and cost of paper for producing the Calendar. Please give the £2 to Eric Jones. Thanks.

DONT FORGET the Women's World Day of Prayer meeting at St. John's Church at 2 p.m. on March 2nd. Highland Place Women will take part in the Service and they need support.

Easter Sunday Service will take the form of a Musical Service. Any musical talent welcomed.

The Joint Service with the Muslim Community will be held on April 22nd at 11 a.m. Imran Ali will travel from Birmingham for the event and we hope to have the local Imam Nadeem with us as well as members of the congregation meeting at Robertstown. Please invite friends and family to join us for this event which was postponed from December due to the snow.

The Coffee Morning for a Mental Health Charity will be held on Sat., March 10th from 10.30 a.m. We will have a speaker from the local New Horizons Group as well as a stall and raffle. Donations can be sent or given directly to Anne Jones.

We will have cars to get us to Cefncoed for March 4th. Can you help with a car ? Place your name on a list in the Schoolroom Notice Board.

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