

PEW NEWS

Sunday 9 November 2025

Remembrance Sunday

WELCOME

Please stay for refreshments after the 10.30am service. At this service there are activities and learning for primary school aged children in the Den. The President will call them forward when it is time to join the group.

NOTICES

Prayer Matters

If you would like the church family to pray for a loved one, please seek their permission to have them included on our prayer list. It is not necessary to print surnames. You may also wish to remember someone at their Years' Mind. For further information please speak to Dianna.

Church Open

Church is open on Friday mornings from 10.30am to 12 noon. On the second and last Friday of each month there is Crafty Coffee – an opportunity to bring your handicrafts and work alongside others or just have a coffee and chat. Next Crafty Coffee is this Friday. See you there.

Thank you to St Mark's School

St Mark's School has sent a wreath to be laid at the War Memorial this morning on behalf of all the pupils and staff.

Refreshments after the 10.30am services CAN YOU HELP?

We all enjoy having a chance for chat and refreshments after the 10.30am service. The group of those preparing and serving could do with a few more volunteers. Could you consider offering one Sunday a month? To find out more what's involved please speak to those on duty this morning. Thank you!

North Camp Late Night Opening Thursday 27 November

The churches have been asked to provide **Carol Singers** for this event. No rehearsals – just show up and bring Christmas cheer to our community. Please see Angharad for details.

Festival of Light 29 November to 6 December

The Festival begins on Saturday 29 November with a Lantern Procession to church from St Mark's School. Throughout the week the church will be open from 4pm for visitors to enjoy the many displays of how light is celebrated around the world. There are two concerts during the week and at the close of the Festival is our Christmas Fayre on Saturday 6 December from 11am to 3pm. Please see the separate leaflet and contact Daryl for more information.

How to join in with the Festival of Light TODAY

- Please take enough leaflets to put through the doors of your neighbours.
- Sign up for an hour or two to welcome visitors when the church is open.

Saturday 22 November from 10am to 2.30pm

Come along to our Lantern Making Workshop. You'll need your own scissors or craft knife – refreshments provided.

Saturday 29 November 10am to 1pm

Help to set-up. Even 30 minutes will be greatly valued.

Readings for next Sunday 16 November

Malachi 4.1-2a; 2 Thessalonians 3.6-13; Luke 21.5-19

TODAY'S COLLECTS AND READINGS

Collect

Almighty Father,
whose will is to restore all things
in your beloved Son, the King of all:
govern the hearts and minds of those in authority,
and bring the families of the nations,
divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin,
to be subject to his just and gentle rule;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen

Old Testament Job 19.23-27a

‘O that my words were written down!
O that they were inscribed in a book!
O that with an iron pen and with lead
they were engraved on a rock for ever!
For I know that my Redeemer lives,
and that at the last he will stand upon the earth;
and after my skin has been thus destroyed,
then in my flesh I shall see God,
whom I shall see on my side,
and my eyes shall behold, and not another.
My heart faints within me!

New Testament 2 Thessalonians 2.1-5, 13-end

As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. Let no one deceive you in any way; for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction. He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you?

But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. For this purpose he called you through our proclamation of the good news, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter.

Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

Gospel Luke 20.27-38

Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to him and asked him a question, ‘Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man’s brother dies, leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. Now there were seven brothers; the first married, and died childless; then the second and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. Finally the woman also died. In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her.’

Jesus said to them, ‘Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage; but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. Indeed they cannot die any more, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive.’

Post Communion Collect

God of peace,
whose Son Jesus Christ proclaimed the kingdom
and restored the broken to wholeness of life:
look with compassion on the anguish of the world,
and by your healing power
make whole both people and nations;
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen