

BABELL ZION NEWYDD

Cenwch yn llafar i'r Arglwydd yr holl ddaear

Gwasanaethwch yr Arglwydd mewn daioni,

Deuwch o'i flaen ef a chân,

Gwybyddwch mai yr Arglwydd sydd Dduw.

Efe a'n gwnaeth ac nid ni ein hunain.

Ei bobol ef ydym a defaid ei borfa.

Ewch i mewn i'w byrth ef â diolch ac i'w gynteddau mawl.

Canys da yw yr Arglwydd, ei gariad sydd yn dragwydd a'i fyddlondeb hyd genhedaeth a chenhedaeth.

Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands.

Serve the Lord with gladness: come before his presence with singing.

Know ye that the Lord he is God: it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves;

we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and bless his name.

For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endureth to all generations.

Cwrdd Sefydlu y Parch Emrys Williams

Ar brynhawn heulog braf ar Fai 7fed fe ddaeth y cyfle o'r diwedd wedi hir aros i gynnal cwrdd sefydlu Emrys. Bu Emrys yn Weinidog yn yr ofalaeth ers Gorffennaf 2021 ond yn anffodus oherwydd Covid bu rhaid gohirio yr ordeinio a'r sefydlu.

Cafwyd gwasanaeth braf iawn o dan arweiniad Lloyd Thomas, Llywydd yr Henaduriaeth, a llawr y capel yn Soar Pontyberem yn gyfforddus lawn gyda rhai yn yr oriel hefyd. Y Parch Peter Thomas cyn ysgrifennydd cyffredinol gyda'r Bedyddwyr traddododd y bregeth, gŵr a oedd wedi bod yn ddylanwadol iawn ar Emrys ac un a'i fugeiliodd a'i arwain i ymateb i alwad Duw yn y weinidogaeth. Emyn o'r waith ef oedd yr emyn cyntaf a ganwyd ac a gyflwynwyd gan Molly Thomas sef 'Cerddwn ymlaen i'r yfory'. Mrs Marina Ambrose oedd wrth yr organ.

Cymerwyd y darleniadau gan Parchedigion Sian Elin Thomas a Catrin Thomas, cyfeillion i Emrys ar y cwrws gweinidogaethol, a Sian nawr yn weinidog ar Bro Cemaes ac Emlyn a Catrin yn Llangadog.

Arweinwyd ni mewn gweddi gan Lilibet Jones Capel Hendre a chafwyd hanes yr alwad gan Janet Knott. Cymerodd Janet y cyfle i ddymuno'n dda i'r Parch Nicholas Bee gan nad oeddem wedi cael y cyfle yn ffurfiol i ffarwelio gydag ef yn ystod y Clo Mawr ar ddechrau 2020. Rhoddodd Elinor Nicholson gipolwg i ni o waith Emrys pan yn weinidog cynorthwyol yng ngofalaeth Llandeilo'r Arfodir a'r hyn oedd yn amlwg oedd bod newydd-deb yn ei ffordd o gyflwyno'r Efengyl a hyn yn ei ddiddordeb mewn technoleg a dod â'r efengyl yn fyw trwy Swper Nos Iau Cablyd a gorymdeithiau Sul y Blodau. Cawsom gan Margaret Evans Ty Hen gipolwg o fywyd Emrys yn Eglwys Ty Hen a'i frwd frydedd o oedran cynnar ac yna cyflwynwyd dymuniadau'r Henaduriaeth gan Parch Ian Sims.

Wedi'r addunedau
cadarnhaol fe offrymwyd
gweddi dros Emrys gan y
Parch Nicholas Bee.

Darllenwyr y tri emyn arall
oedd Daniel Wright
Foelgastell/Llundain, Meirion
Griffiths Llanarthne ac Elgan
Richards Llanddarog.

Roedd y neges yn cwmpasu y
tri gair - personol, penodol a
bwriadol i ddisgrifio galwad
Dw. Cawsom ein hatgoffa o
alwadau Duw i broffwydi'r



Hen Destament a thystiolaeth bod galwad yn gallu digwydd ar unrhyw adeg o fywyd. Daeth yr alwad i Abraham yn ei henaint, daeth i Eseia wedi colli ei gyfaill y brenin Usseia, daeth i Samuel trwy gymorth Eli pan yn fachgen bach iawn, daeth i Jeremeia "cyn i mi dy lunio yn y groth mi a'th adnabum." Daeth i Paul mewn amrantiad.

Hoffais yr anecdoot am weinidog newydd yn dod i gapel a'i rhagflaenydd yn dweud na fyddai byth yn medru ei ddilyn ef. "Ni fydd Emyr yn dilyn neb," meddai Peter Thomas. Mewn geiriau eraill bydd Emyr yn trorri cwys ei hun ac yn gwneud gwaith yr Arglwydd fel ag y mae yn cael ei arwain i'w wneud. Diolch am bregeth ysbrydoledig. Cyhoeddwyd y Fendith gan Parch Ifan Roberts.

Roedd cyfle i gymdeithasu dros luniaeth bendigedig i ddilyn ac ambell un ohonom yn falch o gael bocs i fynd adre gyda ni.

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Rev Emyr Williams' Induction Service

On a beautiful summer's day on May 7th the opportunity came at last to hold Emyr's Induction Service, a year later than planned due to Covid.

Lloyd Thomas, Presbytery Moderator presided over the service and the floor of Soar Chapel Pontyberem was comfortably full with a few people sitting in the gallery as well. Revd Peter Thomas, a past general secretary of the Baptist Union, was the guest preacher, and one who had been instrumental in Emyr's response to God's call to the Ministry. The service began with the hymn 'Cerddwn ymlaen i'r yfory' written by Peter Thomas and which is in "Caneuon Ffydd" and it was read by Molly. Marina Ambrose was the organist.

The readings were taken by Revs Sian Elin Thomas and Catrin Thomas, Emyr's colleagues on the ministerial course, the former now a Minister in Bro Cemaes ac Emlyn and the latter in Llangadog.



Lilibet Jones Capel Hendre led the prayers and Janet Knott described how the call came about. Janet also took the opportunity to wish Rev Nicholas Bee every blessing as we had not had the opportunity to bid him farewell during the lockdown at the beginning of 2020. Elinor Nicholson gave us an insight into Emyr's work as Associate Minister in the Llandeilo and Llanelli Pastorate and how he introduced technology into services and

established the Palm Sunday processions and Maundy Thursday Supper. Margaret Evans spoke on behalf of Ty Hen the Rev Ian Sims on behalf of the Presbytery.

Following the taking of the vows, Revd Nicholas Bee prayed over Emyr's ministry. The three remaining hymns were read by Daniel Wright Foelgastell/London, Meirion Griffiths Llanarthney and Elgan Richards Llanddarog.

The message which encompassed three words - personal, specific and deliberate- described the call of God. We were reminded of God's calling to his prophets and reminded that a calling can happen at any time of life. Abraham heard the call in his old age. Isaiah, when he lost his friend King Ussieia. Samuel was called by God, although unbeknown to him at the time, when only a child. And Jeremiah, even though he was 21 and did not feel he was ready for it was told, "I chose you before I gave you life, and before you were born I chose you to be a prophet to the nations." Paul's conversion was sudden.

I liked the following anecdote: A new minister had arrived and the retired minister was heard to have said, "Well, no-one will be able to follow me." "Emyr will not be following anyone," said Peter Thomas. In other words, Emyr will carry out the work set before him as God has intended him to do and in his own inimitable way.

The blessing was announced by Rev Ifan Roberts. A wonderful tea was laid on in the vestry and an opportunity to chatter and also to take home a box of goodies.

Ffarwelio gyda Corey, Catrin a Peris

Nid yw byth yn hawdd ffarwelio a gyda chalon drom bu rhaid i ni gynnal ein hoedfa ymadael swyddogol gyda Corey, Catrin a Peris ar fore Mai 22ain. Roedd y gwasanaeth yng ngofal y Parch Emyr Williams. Cyflwynwyd llun o gapel bach y Mwnt i'r teulu bach gan Helen ac fe gafwyd lluniaeth ysgafn i ddilyn. Dymunwn bob bendith ar y teulu wrth iddynt gamu i'r bennod newydd gyffrous hon yn y Wyddgrug ac ar yr un pryd gobeithiwn y byddwn yn eu gweld yn fuan yn y parthau hyn ar y Sul.

Farewells are never easy and it was with a heavy heart that we held our formal service of farewell for Corey, Catrin and Peris on the morning of May 22nd. Revd Emyr Williams led the service and a framed photograph of the idyllic Chapel of Mwnt was presented to the family by Helen followed by light refreshments served in the vestry. We wish the family all of God's blessings as they begin a new and exciting chapter in their story in Mold and we hope to see them soon when they are down this way.

Seeds of Hope Appeal/ Apêl Hadau Gobaith

A Curry Night was enjoyed on May 25th at Cinnamon Mansel Street with proceeds towards The Seed of Hope Appeal. A special thank you to Molly Thomas for making all the arrangements.

THE TOUCH THAT HEALS

Rev Mike Shephard's article for the Ambulance Service

What did we miss most during the Pandemic? For many people it was the absence of human contact with the 'Don't Touch' rule being especially difficult. I was in hospital for part of the first lockdown and the ban on visitors was unhelpful to the recovery process. That all important loving touch is, surely, an integral part of the healing process. One was grateful, though, for the unfailing kindness of the medical, nursing and other staff who, without realising it, touched my life in a special way.

Some GP practices, in contrast, were experienced as harder to enter than Fort Knox and gave the impression of being cold environments, intent on keeping patients at arm's length. I might be doing them an injustice in speaking like this, but such was my impression. A telephone call made by a doctor was a poor substitute for face-to-face contact. Frontline ambulance staff, meanwhile, risked their lives ministering to others and, in some instances, losing their lives as a result. If there is consolation for their family it is that their loved ones died fulfilling their calling and, prior to their demise, had touched the lives of seriously ill people.

If I have one regret, as your chaplain, it is that visits to ambulance stations were not allowed during lockdown. It was adjudged too dangerous, not for the chaplain, but for the staff one wanted to support. To what purpose would it be if one gave them the virus? The prohibition made sense but was a source of frustration. What sort of chaplain refuses to share risk with those they serve? One hopes that pandemics will never again place limits on the capacity for touch.

I write as one who has been involved in church ministry for fifty-six years. If I was asked to identify the most important role of a minister, I'd put stress upon his or her work as pastor and shepherd. I would quote one of my past mentors who, at the time of my ordination, said this: "Make time for your people. Make space for their families. Visit them in their homes. Endeavour to share their joys and sorrows. Share the happy moments with them. But care for them when they are experiencing life's valley experiences as well. Give them visible proof of your compassion. Show them that you care. You can be the greatest preacher in the world. You can be an intellectual giant in the pulpit or in your written work. You can possess a hundred gifts. If your people believe that you do not love them it will all count for nothing. In order to win the hearts of people you must be prepared to touch them. Fail in that and you fail in everything."

I am preparing this musing for publication, in SIREN, on 15th June. It will have already been used, in a slightly lengthier format, in a sermon delivered the previous Sunday. I will be inviting people to consider the kind of touch we exercise in our daily lives. It will be the kind of address, one hopes, that will be of help to people of all faith and of no faith. Is our touch one that enlarges people, that makes them realise that they matter and have something to contribute to life? Is it a touch that makes them feel valued, appreciated and loved? Does it fill them with hope? Is it the compassionate touch of a brother or sister, communicating understanding and willingness to stand alongside our fellows in difficult times? Is it a touch that brings healing to tortured

souls? Or is it a touch more likely to drive them away? Does it diminish, judge and condemn?

If I have one regret about an institution for which I have worked all my life it is this. So many of our chapels and churches are self-centred places interested in their own survival. Their touch is that of censoriousness and narrowness. They are no longer able to embrace the 'so called' lepers of society. They have lost sight of the all-inclusive society that they were instructed to bring into being and their touch, in consequence, is experienced as negative and unwanted. Such institutions are in the process of passing away. They will not be missed – save as examples of what might have been.

I find myself, increasingly, looking outside of churches for meaning and purpose. We need not be religious to have that loving touch. Do we possess it?

Mike Shephard/ Chaplain

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For all those who are receiving treatment or undergoing surgery at this time we pray that they may strengthened by their faith and their love for the Lord and for that special touch of healing.

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Dates for the Calendar

Every other Tuesday there will be a bilingual traditional hymn singng session at Babell Zion Newydd for people with Alzheimers/Dementia and their carers followed by tea and biscuits. This will begin on June 7th at 2pm. Please let Molly know of anyone who might be interested.

Friendship Centre/Canolfan Dydd

The Friendship Centre is open every Thursday from 10-12 serving teas, coffees and biscuits. Looking forward to seeing you all.

Next Elders' / Meeting June 27th at 10.30 am at BZN

Social Event

Sian is arranging a tenpin Bowling evening with a meal at the Xcel Bowl Carmarthen on June 27th. Names please to Sian.

A message from Cytun

The Annual general Meeting of Cytun will be held on Monday June 27th at 7.30 pm in St Peter's Civic Hall. Zoom facilities will also be available for those who cannot attend. Every church is invited to send two representatives. If you are able to attend that evening please let Helen know. Thank you.

Cwrdd Dosbarth

Cwrdd Dosbarth nesaf yn y Babell Zion Newydd Gorffennaf 4ydd am 7 o'r gloch.

Sunday Services/Gwasanaethau ar y Sul

Revd Emry Williams	2pm	5/6/2022
Revd Mike Shephard	10.30	12/6/2022
United Service /Cwrdd Unedig with translation Babell Zion Newydd	2 pm	19/6/2022
Revd Dr Ainsley Griffiths	10.30	26/6/2022
Rev Emry Williams Communion	11.30	3/7/2022

Flowers/ Blodau		Cleaning/Glanhau	Announcing and Communion Cyhoeddi a Pharatoi'r Cymun
Sian Cassell	June/Mehefin	Owen and Kim Jones	Helen Gibbon
Helen Gibbon	Gorffennaf/July	Pat/Molly/ Doreen/Charmaine	Pat Morgan

The Sunday Club/Clwb Sul



Catrin has been busy preparing craft work for the Sunday Club children and has also prepared a fun page for us all. We shall also be donating a Bible to Years 5 and 6 in Ysgol Llangynnwr before the end of term. All donations gladly received.

Ble gallech chi ddod o hyd i biano, losin, paent, tôst, 'play-doh', dawnsio, glud, gwlan cotwm, a digon o hwyl?! Yn yr Ysgol Sul wrth gwrs, sydd yn cwrdd am-yn-ail gyda'r oedfa bob Sul yn ystod tymor yr ysgol. Ers y Pasg ry'm ni wedi bod yn edrych ar hanes y creu, felly dyma dudalen llawn hwyl i'r plant (a phlant mawr!) gael tro arni!

Where could you find a piano, sweets, paint, toast, play-doh, dancing, glue, cotton wool and plenty of fun?! In the Sunday School of course, which meets each week at alternate times to the service (10:30 or 2pm).

Since Easter we have been looking at the amazing story of God's creation, and in that theme here is a fun page for the kids (and big kids if they like!) to have a go!

Name: _____ Date: _____

God's Creation

B U W W I P F R U I T F U L Q D R
F E M A L E T Z B O T Q W P A E F
F Y O O A D R C K I A N L A M T R
I M Y R C L I G H T R A B F T A L
J Z T R B X I E H X N D I J G E T
T H C C T N A I P T O C S T Z R R
S T H R R V B E S O J D H Y P C D
R U Y X E M E A K F N H S K M L Q
A A O N C L G V F J O U I D G O D
T F S C O S I M I W O J F E N Y C
S A W S T J N E A W M T M S D T X
J V N S N N N G I N D C R S X F U
N T Q I I S I A V F S U N E J Z Y
R J S G M J N M E V E L Z L V L A
L L H S I A G I D H X A W B S X P
D T Z A K K L N V W M N Q Z R W J
Z H N Q B Y J S B K X D M E K X X

ANIMALS	BEGINNING	BIRDS	BLESSED	CREATED
EARTH	FEMALE	FISH	FRUITFUL	GOD
HEAVENS	IMAGE	LAND	LIGHT	MAN
MOON	NIGHT	PLANTS	SKY	STARS
SUN	WATER			
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Enfys o ddiolch!

Thanks rainbow!

Beth am greu llun enfys a ysgrifennu pethau o'r greadigaeth rydych yn ddiolchgar amdanynt, o bob lliw. Er engraffft – diolch Dduw am tomatos coch, am yr haul melyn, am mangoes oren, a.y.b!

Why not draw a rainbow, and write words of things you are thankful for in creation in each colour e.g thank you God for red tomatos, the yellow sun, orange mangoes, the blue sea etc!

Days of Creation

Emojis

Read the creation story and write which day each was created from the emoji clues!

CLUE

WHICH DAY?



Seeds of Hope!

In our Easter service this year we were given the opportunity to plant seeds as we remembered that God can make something beautiful even out of dirt.

We would love to see how your seeds have grown! Well done to Leia whose plants have started growing already!