



Welcome

We're really glad you could join us! We hope you find warm friendship with us and clear practical help to follow Jesus. You might like to note the following

- Toilets are located at the rear of the Church
- A parents' room is available in the church. Care is provided in the cottage during the second half of the service for children 0-3 years.
- If you have a hearing aid, switch it to "T" to access our induction loop.



For Your Prayer

- Pray for the country of Eritrea. Christians who have converted from Islam are often denied access to crucial social services. Believers can be arrested and imprisoned without trial. Unlike most countries, women in Eritrea are subjected to obligatory military service. Christian women who are conscripted are vulnerable to violence. There is little legal protection against physical abuse, loss of child custody or forced divorce for Christian women.
- Pray for COVID-19. Pray that the richer nations will not stop the flow of the vaccine to the poor nations. Pray that we as a nation will realise that although we have a right to have access to the vaccines we want we also have an imperative to direct them to those that need it the most.
- Pray for our Church. That we might find more and more ways of unifying around the word of God and the ways of God. Pray that those who feel on the outer of the church might find ways and means where they can be better connected.
- Pray for the Parsons in Japan. Churches in Tokyo and other parts of Japan have been meeting online again for nearly two months since the current "state of emergency" began due to COVID-19. Please pray for constructive ways to help people feel connected while being physically separated, and for the extra load on our leaders and missionaries. Praise God for making it possible to still be able to meet via Zoom during the COVID restrictions.
- Pray for that our society might better understand God's way that sex should be kept for marriage. Pray that in the abuse of power and sex that we see everywhere in our society that people will again realise that God's ways are the best.



What's Happening?

Focus for March – Fellowship

It is good to meet together outside of Church to encourage one another in Christian fellowship. Last week we had our Church Camp where some of those connections were rekindled. In the coming weeks we have both mens and women's socials. Please if you possible can try and come to these so that we can build some of the momentum that we lost last year.

Lord's Supper

The Lord's Supper will be held today at our Swansea and Charlestown morning services, and next week for our Sunday@6 service.

Annual Congregational Meeting | Sunday 21st March 11:40am

This meeting is to review our financial accounts, to thank those who have worked hard for us in the past 12 months, to elect a new Committee of Management and to think about some ideas about our Charlestown Church buildings. All welcome. If you would like to nominate someone to be on the Committee of Management then please see Ross.

Prayer on ZOOM

For the month of March we will have the meeting every Wednesday at 7am. Everyone is welcome. Meeting ID: 857 7190 3312 Passcode: 010169

Men's Beach Breakfast | Saturday 20th March 7am

Some of the men are going to meet at Webb Park, Redhead for beach activities followed by a BBQ breakfast together and a short devotion. Why not plan to join them? RSVP to Stephen on 04260 829 080 by this Thursday. Cost is \$2 per person or \$5 for a family.

Women's Morning Tea

Come have a cuppa with some other women and discuss how we can live for God while taking care of ourselves. Wednesday 24th or Saturday 27th March from 10am. RSVP by text or call 0434 131 132 to Jen by this Thursday.

Consent | Friday 19th March 7-9pm

With the media in a frenzy about consent and the sexual abuse going on in our schools we thought it would be a good time to talk about how we should respond as a Church and as families. We will meet at Charlestown to think through a response together. All invited

Kids' Spot

We start a series today on the book of Jonah looking at chapters 1 and 2 where we will learn that God is a God of grace and kindness. He's slow to anger and abounding in love. This is for all people even though Jonah thought the people of Ninevah didn't deserve it. Question of the week: How did Jesus show us that God is a God of grace, kindness and love?

The Empire Strikes Back

Readings: Acts 5:1-16, Acts 5:17-42

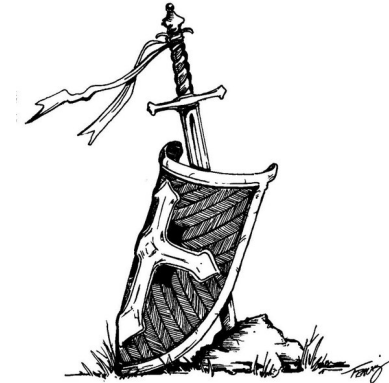
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2. Decrease

3. Distract



Sunday 14th March 2021



The Empire Strikes Back Services

Charlestown: 9:15am & 10:30am & 6pm
Swansea: 8am

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Welcome & Prayer

Song Glory be to God the Father

Bible reading Acts 5:1-16

Announcements

Song Undivided

Lord's Supper

Pastoral Prayer

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Sermon The Empire Strikes Back

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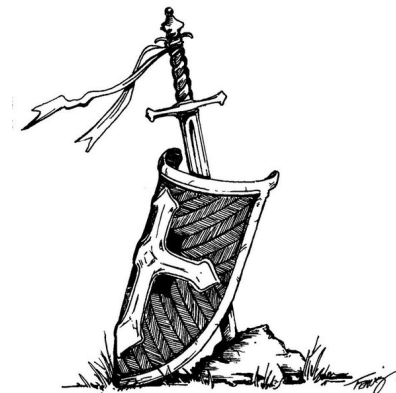
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Song The Church's One Foundation

Benediction



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