

## the : word

### Malachi 3:1-12 – (NIV UK)

'I will send my messenger, who will prepare the way before me. Then suddenly the Lord you are seeking will come to his temple; the messenger of the covenant, whom you desire, will come,' says the LORD Almighty.

<sup>2</sup> But who can endure the day of his coming? Who can stand when he appears? For he will be like a refiner's fire or a launderer's soap. <sup>3</sup> He will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver; he will purify the Levites and refine them like gold and silver. Then the LORD will have men who will bring offerings in righteousness, <sup>4</sup> and the offerings of Judah and Jerusalem will be acceptable to the LORD, as in days gone by, as in former years.

<sup>5</sup> 'So I will come to put you on trial. I will be quick to testify against sorcerers, adulterers and perjurers, against those who defraud labourers of their wages, who oppress the widows and the fatherless, and deprive the foreigners among you of justice, but do not fear me,' says the LORD Almighty.

### Breaking covenant by withholding tithes

<sup>6</sup> 'I the LORD do not change. So you, the descendants of Jacob, are not destroyed. <sup>7</sup> Ever since the time of your ancestors you have turned away from my decrees and have not kept them. Return to me, and I will return to you,' says the LORD Almighty.

'But you ask, "How are we to return?"

<sup>8</sup> 'Will a mere mortal rob God? Yet you rob me.

'But you ask, "How are we robbing you?"

'In tithes and offerings. <sup>9</sup> You are under a curse – your whole nation – because you are robbing me.

<sup>10</sup> Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this,' says the LORD Almighty, 'and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it. <sup>11</sup> I will prevent pests from devouring your crops, and the vines in your fields will not drop their fruit before it is ripe,' says the LORD Almighty. <sup>12</sup> 'Then all the nations will call you blessed, for yours will be a delightful land,' says the LORD Almighty.

# tabernacle : penarth

purpose : to reflect God's love in  
our church, community and world

**sunday 16<sup>th</sup> december 2018**

## today's services

10.30 am - Desired (but not required)  
Malachi 3:1-12

6.00 pm – Carol Service

## thought for the week

But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah,  
though you are small among the clans  
of Judah, out of you will come for me  
one who will be ruler over Israel,  
whose origins are from of old,  
from ancient times.

Micah 5:2

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### Sermon Recording/CD

Sermons are downloadable from the web site. If you would prefer to purchase a CD, see Graham at the AV desk.

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## what's : on at tabernacle

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Advent

10.30 am Roger Grafton and Jack & Sarah Westmore - communion will be celebrated. Please stay for tea/coffee after the service.

6.00 pm Carol Service with Roger Grafton and Matthew Baird

Refreshments will be served in the Conference Room following the Carol Service

**ALBERT ROAD SCHOOL** will be in the Sanctuary 9.00 am - 3.30 pm on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Wednesday evening (4.00 pm - 7.30 pm)

### TUESDAY

9.30 am Small Group

6.00 pm JAFFA (school yrs 1-2)

7.30 pm Small Groups meet

7.30 pm Cavatina Choir (Sanctuary)

### WEDNESDAY

10.00 am Communion led by Anne Morse (Conference Room)

12.30 pm Home Access & Foodbank Lunch (Conference Room)

### THURSDAY

1.00 pm Recovery Cymru at Arcot House

7.30 pm Music Group Practice

7.30 pm Small Groups meet

### FRIDAY – Pastor Roger's Day Off

9.30 am Maintenance team meet

6.00 pm Xtreme (school yrs 3-6)

7.30 pm Beyond Xtreme (school yrs 7-9)

### SATURDAY – Pastor Owen's Day off

#### 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Advent

10.30 am Owen James and Simon Pedwell

6.00 pm **NO SERVICE**

#### Advance Notices

The Llandough Hospital and Penarth Community Choir is performing a concert "Sing we now of Christmas" at Tabs in aid of Home Access, TOMORROW Monday, 17<sup>th</sup> December at 7 pm. Tickets £5.00 on the door.

Next Sunday (23<sup>rd</sup> December) there is **NO EVENING SERVICE**. However, we have added an evening service at 6.00 pm on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> December when **Bridget Turner** will be baptised.

A date for your diary - Small Groups Together 7.30 pm on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> January at Tabs. All are invited whether or not you're currently in a small group.

## what's : on elsewhere

TWAM Cymru team meet at Bute Lane unit at 9.00 am on Tuesdays & Thursdays

Please see notice board at the top of the stairs for details of other local events.

## family : news

We continue to pray for those going through treatment for cancer. We especially remember **Jo Lockyer** at this time as she continues to be treated in Holme Tower Nursing Home.

**Glyn Gibbs** has asked for prayer for **Eleanor**. She is in a lot of pain and is suffering from an infection following knee surgery, and asks for prayer for a speedy recovery.

Please also remember in your prayers those members who are housebound or living in a nursing home and unable to attend worship or meetings regularly.

#### Preaching Engagements:

Anne Morse is at Sully Community Church am

Please remember to let Graham know if you are out preaching so that the details can be included in the news sheet

#### Hospital Hampers

All hospital hampers must be at the Church by the end of today. They will be distributed from Llandough Hospital Chapel at 2 pm tomorrow. If you can help with that please be at the chapel by 1.50 pm.

#### Soul Survivor 2019

The booking/consent forms for Soul Survivor 2019 are available now. We are intending to book for the very final week of the last year of Soul Survivor. So the dates are Friday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> to Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> August. To be sure of getting the places we need to begin the booking process as quickly as possible, I think the week will be very popular. If you have questions please speak with Pastor Owen. As previously, the cost can either be paid in full or with a deposit and paid off before the event in August. A deposit will secure your place.

**Josh Evans** is involved in a organisation assisting refugees and asylum seekers. They have produced an international cookbook to help raise funds which you can find out more about at [www.actionforrefugees.org](http://www.actionforrefugees.org) (in the shop section of the website). There are also details and a sign-up sheet to get a copy of the book on the noticeboard at the top of the stairs.

**News Sheet** next week's news sheet will cover two week Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> December!

#### Tabs Events

Are you organising an event in Tabs? If so please let Sarah Westmore know (preferably by email), as she maintains the online and paper Church diary. Please **DO NOT** put events into the diary yourself without speaking to Sarah first.