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Luke 12 verses 13-31

¹³Someone in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me”. ¹⁴Jesus replied, “Man, who appointed me a judge or an arbiter between you?” ¹⁵Then he said to them, “Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; a man’s life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions”. ¹⁶And he told them this parable: “The ground of a certain rich man produced a good crop. ¹⁷He thought to himself, ‘What shall I do? I have no place to store my crops’. ¹⁸“Then he said, ‘This is what I’ll do. I will tear down my barns and build bigger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. ¹⁹And I’ll say to myself, “You have plenty of good things laid up for many years. Take life easy; eat, drink and be merry”.’ ²⁰“But God said to him, ‘You fool! This very night your life will be demanded from you. Then who will get what you have prepared for yourself?’ ²¹“This is how it will be with anyone who stores up things for himself but is not rich toward God.” ²²Then Jesus said to his disciples: “Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat; or about your body, what you will wear. ²³Life is more than food, and the body more than clothes. ²⁴Consider the ravens: They do not sow or reap, they have no storeroom or barn; yet God feeds them. And how much more valuable you are than birds! ²⁵Who of you by worrying can add a single hour to his life? ²⁶Since you cannot do this very little thing, why do you worry about the rest? ²⁷“Consider how the lilies grow. They do not labour or spin. Yet I tell you, not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these. ²⁸If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today, and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, how much more will he clothe you, O you of little faith! ²⁹And do not set your heart on what you will eat or drink; do not worry about it. ³⁰For the pagan world runs after all such things, and your Father knows that you need them. ³¹But seek his kingdom, and these things will be given to you as well.

Isaiah 43 verses 14-21

¹⁴This is what the LORD says—your Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel: “For your sake I will send to Babylon and bring down as fugitives all the Babylonians, in the ships in which they took pride. ¹⁵I am the LORD, your Holy One, Israel’s Creator, your King.” ¹⁶This is what the LORD says—he who made a way through the sea, a path through the mighty waters, ¹⁷ who drew out the chariots and horses, the army and reinforcements together, and they lay there, never to rise again, extinguished, snuffed out like a wick: ¹⁸“Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. ¹⁹ See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the desert and streams in the wasteland. ²⁰The wild animals honour me, the jackals and the owls, because I provide water in the desert and streams in the wasteland, to give drink to my people, my chosen, ²¹ the people I formed for myself that they may proclaim my praise.

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

sundays 20/27th december 2009

services 20th

10.30 am – A healthy attitude to possessions –

Luke 12:12-31

6.00 pm – Carol Service

services 27th

10.30 am – A new thing – Isaiah 43:14-21

thought for Christmas

Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings
of great joy, which shall be to all people.

Luke 2:10

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what's : on

SUNDAY 20th

- 10.30 am Pastor Roger and Simon Pedwell –
communion will be celebrated
6.00 pm Candlelit Carol Service followed by
refreshments

THURSDAY 24th

- 3.00 pm Crib Service
11.15 pm Christmas Eve communion

FRIDAY Christmas Day

- 10.30 am Christmas Day celebration

SUNDAY 27th

- 10.30 am Ann Niblett and Will Roberts
6.00 pm No Service

MONDAY 28th

Church Centre closed

THURSDAY 31st

- 11.15 pm Watchnight Service

FRIDAY 1st

Church Centre closed

SUNDAY 3rd

- 10.30 am Covenant Service – Pastor Roger
and Simon Pedwell
6.00 pm Pastor Roger and Will Roberts -
Communion will be celebrated

It is not too late to invite a friend or family member to one of the Christmas services. Tonight at 6.00 pm is the annual carol service with candles, traditional carols and readings, the choir and mince pies. Come early to get a good seat! On Christmas Eve (Thursday 24th) there is the Crib service at 3.00 pm. Although this service is designed for children, it has become increasingly popular with teenagers and older folk. Do come dressed as your favourite character from the Nativity story. Midnight communion is at 11.15 pm that evening. Christmas morning family celebration is at 10.30 am on Christmas morning, when you are invited to bring a gift or present you have received to show the rest of the congregation.

MAINSTREAM WALES: with Julian

Richards (of Cornerstone Church, Swansea)
10.00 am – 3.30 pm on Tuesday 26th January
2009 at Carmel Baptist Church, Pontlliw (Nr.
Swansea) £7 per person, buffet lunch included
Registration is essential by emailing
office@swbabugb.org.uk or phoning the
Association office on 029 2049 1366

family : news

Helen Douglas has asked us to pray for her mother who has had extensive surgery this week to treat skin cancer of her ear. Please pray for her full recovery from surgery. We have been asked to especially pray in the next few days that her skin grafts will take and heal quickly.

Joan Bradshaw was taken ill this week and has been admitted to ward W6 at Llandough hospital. She has a mild case of pneumonia and some bruises/discomfort from a fall she suffered, and she is having to undergo a lot of tests and x-rays. Please pray that she can leave hospital soon – she is particularly keen to be out before Christmas!!

Joan Richards has been waiting for some time for hip surgery, and was admitted earlier than expected this week when another patient's operation was cancelled. She hopes to be home very soon. Please pray for a speedy recovery and full mobility very soon.

Please also remember these people in your prayers and those in the fellowship who are largely confined to their homes or continue to be in need of prayer and those who lovingly care for them. We remember especially **Marion Jones, Cynthia Price, Ron Soper, Earl Angove, Margaret Firth, Sylvia Sadler, Norma Williams, Sharon Geere, Simon Pedwell, Peter Chilton and Judith William's mother.**

During the week following Christmas the Church centre and office will mostly be closed. Pastor Roger can be contacted at home on 029 2019 5580.

On Monday 4th January Roger and the family are travelling to Portugal for 6 days. They will be back for Sunday services on 10th January, but during that week pastoral needs should be referred to Gemma Humphreys in the Church office who will pass on a message to the most appropriate member of staff, elder or deacon.

Congratulations

To **Gwen Lloyd** who celebrated her 80th birthday last week

Preaching Engagements: 20th

Anne Morse is at Calfaria BC, Nelson
Please remember to let Graham know if you are out preaching so that the details can be included in the news sheet.