

Members Minutes of Elders' Session – 31st July 2018

1. 12 present. Keith Daw in chair.
2. The session spent time in prayer
3. Minutes of the 26th June 2018 were approved.

4. Items for Discussion & Matters arising from 26th June 2018

a) August Bank Holiday - Rob brought us up to date with arrangements for the "Take a Cake" service. The Worship Group is meeting this Thursday to finalise arrangements. The cake is an unconditional gift with minimal information to encourage conversation. There will be a targeted approach to houses building on the church Christian Aid distribution. We will meet as normal for 10-15 minutes at 11 to commission the work.

Actions - Any further ideas share with Rob, Neil, Chris & Kara.

- Beryl volunteered to be back up to arrange service
- Iris volunteered to arrange prayers during cake delivery.
- Rob will put outline to Gill for August notices by Wednesday.
- Rob will email Elders as plans progress.

b) Communion Deferred to enable Richard to feedback

c) Model of Church Leadership Dave shared the two issues being raised by several people as they discuss the ministers post from outside the Church.

1. The need to develop a core leadership team of elders to work with the paid ministry team with identified roles. There are offers and recommendations to train by individuals and PCW
2. The consideration of having a minister that shares Park End commitments with other churches, within PCW others.

There was further discussion re PCW.

Action - Elders happy to support Pastorate Committee in looking for solutions identified in 2.. Elders to consider core leadership group model in future sessions .

d) Presbytery News. Sue updated us with current presbytery news and future events. Next Presbytery Trecenydd 20th October. Richard will be commissioned. Sunday School & Youth Committee is now called Connect. A questionnaire is being sent out to all churches to see what outreach they do.

5. Updates

Preaching Arrangements - Carol Service December 22nd 2019, Gift Service 2nd December 2018 so am Communion 16th December. Morning Communion Easter Sunday 21st am 2019 so evening communion 7th April 2019.

7. Main Focus of next meeting. Pastorate committee. Feedback from August Bank holiday outreach, Christmas arrangements.

8. Prayer Points agreed. Pastorate Committee. Church Leadership.

9. Next meeting 2nd October 2018.

10. A.O.B

Prayer Walk - Janet shared ideas for a prayer walk in September. Supported by Session. Suggest we let Christchurch Church know and invite them. Suggested date Weds. 19th 2018 at 7pm. Janet to continue arrangements and get volunteers nearer the time.

Church Secretary. Sam & Neil have agreed to take on role, Iris and Sam are going to arrange a handover and agree duties. Further details will follow but division of duties will continue as at present

Session finished with the Grace

Agenda Elders Session 2nd October 2018

1. Apologies
2. Church Report
3. Prayer
4. Minutes and Actions – Session 31st July 2018.
 - a. August outreach & Prayer Walk
 - b. Pastoral support
 - c. Christmas
 - d. Pastorate committee
5. Update from Groups
6. Focus of Next meeting
7. Prayer points
8. Date of Next Meeting - 30th October 2018
9. AOB