

**SAINT DAVID'S UNITING CHURCH
GELLIWASTAD ROAD
PONTYPRIDD**



The
INDUCTION
of
Rev Simon Walkling
as
**Minister of
Saint David's Uniting Church**

Saturday 13 November 2004 at 2.30pm

'An induction can seem like a very churchy event, full of words to show that a minister is beginning work in a pastorate. The service includes stories of who we are and how we come together, but there is also a theme running through the service today - the theme of bridges.

Bridges allow us to cross barriers and make relationships. Through the service we will be reminded of our relationships with God and with each other, and of the need to build bridges and make connections. So this service is not just about ministry within a congregation, but about how we work with God, and for God in our daily living.

Bridges are also part of our context in Pontypridd, so the bridge built up as part of the service will be a model of the old bridge, reminding us that we begin from where we are. In the same way, the cross beam of St David's Uniting Church echoes the shape and features of the old bridge. Think about the ways in which you are a 'bridge person' making connections because of the experience you have and the relationships of which you are part.'

BRIDGES BETWEEN CHURCHES

READING 2 Corinthians 5: 16—21

Alan Hills

OFFERING OF STATEMENTS OF FAITH

Presented by:
Mary Soulsby
Haydn Goodfellow
Barbara Jones
Sioned Rhys

THE REGULARITY OF THE CALL

Rev Tom Phillips
Moderator Glamorgan Presbytery East

THE HISTORY OF THE CALL

Marcia Hurley
Church Secretary

STATEMENT BY THE MINISTER ELECT

Rev Simon Walkling

EMYN

TÔN: Cwm Rhondda

Arglwydd, arwain drwy'r anialwch
fi, bererin gwael ei wedd,
nad oes ynof nerth na bywyd,
fel yn gorwedd yn y bedd :
hollalluog
ydyw'r Un a'm cwyd i'r lan.

Colofn dân rho'r nos i'm harwain,
a rho golofn niwl y dydd ;
dal fi pan fwy'n teithio'r manau
geirwon yn fy ffordd y sydd ;
rho im fanna
fel na bwyf yn llwfwrhau.

Agor y ffynhonnau melys
sydd yn tarddu o'r graig i maes ;
'r hyd yr anial mawr canlyned
afon iachawdwriaeth gras ;
rho im hynny:
dim i mi ond dy fwynhau.

Ymddiriedaf yn dy allu,
mawr yw'r gwaith a wnest erioed :
ti gest angau, ti gest uffern,
ti gest Satan dan dy droed :
pen Calfaria,
nac aed hwnnw byth o'm cof.

William Williams

AFFIRMATIONS BY MINISTER ELECT

Rev Peter Noble

AFFIRMATIONS BY MEMBERS OF
SAINT DAVIDS UNITING CHURCH

Rev Nick Bradshaw
South Wales Baptist, Association Minister

AFFIRMATION BY MEMBERS OF
CHURCH COUNCILS

Rev Tom Phillips
Glamorgan East Presbytery Moderator

AFFIRMATION BY THE WIDER COMMUNITY

Rev Peter Noble

INDUCTION PRAYER AND
DECLARATION OF INDUCTION

Rev Peter Noble

RIGHT HAND OF FELLOWSHIP

Member of Saint David's
Member of Junior Church
Pontypridd Christians Together
The Town Mayor
Covenanted Baptists
PCW Presbytery
URC District President
URC Synod & Enfys

Russell Howells
Amber Chester
Rev Michael Edwards
Councillor Teresa Bates
Rev John Garland
Rev R Leslie Jones
Rev Dr Marc Dummer
Rev Peter Noble

HYMN:

MUSIC: Richard Gillard

**Brother, sister let me serve you,
let me be as Christ to you;
pray that I may have the grace to
let you be my servant too.**

**We are pilgrims on a journey,
and companions on the road;
we are here to help each other
walk the mile and share the load.**

**I will hold the Christ-light for you
in the night-time of your fear;
I will hold my hand out to you,
speak the peace you long to hear.**

**I will weep when you are weeping;
when you laugh I'll laugh with you;
I will share your joy and sorrow
till we've seen this journey through.**

**When we sing to God in heaven
we shall find such harmony,
born of all we've known together
of Christ's love and agony.**

**Brother, sister, let me serve you,
let me be as Christ to you;
pray that I may have the grace to
let you be my servant too.**

Richard Gillard (b. 1953)

BRIDGES WITH COMMUNITY

READING: Jeremiah 29: 4—14

Maralyn Tomlinson

SERMON

Rev Dr Peter Cruchley-Jones
Minister Beulah URC, Rhiwbina, Cardiff

HYMN

TUNE: The Bard of Armagh

**The Church is wherever God's people are praising,
singing their thanks for his goodness this day.
The Church is wherever disciples of Jesus
remember his story and walk in his way.**

**The Church is wherever God's people are helping,
caring for neighbours in sickness and need.
The Church is wherever God's people are sharing
the words of the Bible in gift and in deed.**

Carol R Ikeler

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Rev Graham Davies
Interim Moderator

LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN:

MUSIC: Daniel Schutte

**I, The Lord of sea and sky
I have heard My people cry;
All who dwell in dark and sin
My hand will save.
I, who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
I will speak My word to them.
Whom shall I send?**

*Here I am, Lord.
Is it I, Lord?
I have heard You calling in the night.
I will go, Lord,
if you lead me;
I will hold your people in my heart.*

**I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain;
I have wept for love of them.
They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them.
Whom shall I send?**

**I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame,
I will set a feast for them –
My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide
till their hearts are satisfied;
I will give My life to them.
Whom shall I send?**

Daniel L Schutte

GRACE

**May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the
fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all. Amen**

AMEN (Sung)

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Participants in the Service:

Cantorion Gelliwastad and Unedig

led by Cerys Webber

Organist Pam Mahoney

Bridge Builders:

Elinor Rhys

Lucy Chester

Kate Williams

Refreshments will be served in the Church Hall following the service, to which all are invited.