



WELCOME TO WORSHIP

We are always happy to have visitors with us in Cregagh; and we welcome any who may be worshipping with us today. We invite our visitors to sign the Visitor's Book in the Vestibule, giving name and full postal address. This morning, any parents with young children are invited to make use of the Creche (in the Session Room) for babies, or KidZone (in the Stewart Hall) for 3 year olds upwards who leave church after the children's address and hymn.

We are delighted to have the Rev Dr Harold MacConnell conducting both services today as Rev Dalzell is on holiday.

** The following may help our visitors to share in the service:

** The Processional and Recessional hymns are not announced – the numbers are on the hymn boards (those marked 'Hy', 'Ps' and 'Par' are in the red Irish Presbyterian Church hymn book, and those marked 'G' are in the Glory to God book) – both books are in the pews.

** The Processional this morning is Psalm 98 (2nd Version)

** Please stand (if able) as the service begins when the Bible, Choir and Minister enter church.

** the Offering is after the Sermon and is not announced.

** Please stand (if able) as the collectors bring the Offering to the Sanctuary for dedication, and remain standing until after the Recessional hymn and the Bible is carried from church.

COFFEE BAR

The Coffee Bar is open in the Allen Hall after the morning service and everyone is invited to remain behind for some refreshments and a chat.

TODAY'S FLOWERS

The Pedestal flowers which are provided by the Douglas Family are 'In Memory of Pearl'

The Sanctuary flowers provided by Mrs A Graham, Church Road, Moneyreagh are 'In Memory of Mummy and Daddy'

EVERGREENS

The Evergreens will meet on Wednesday at 2.30 p.m. in the Barbour Hall. In a change to the printed programme we have Mary Henderson talking about life as a Methodist deaconess. All welcome.

OFFICE HOURS

The Session Clerk will be in the Minister's Room on Thursday from 7.30 – 8.30 p.m. As Rev Dalzell is on holiday until Friday, any matters requiring urgent attention may be referred to the Clerk of Session, Denuison Mahood (9079 9307 or 07891920261)

OPEN CHURCH

The church will be open for private prayer and meditation on Friday, as usual, from 10.30 a.m. – 12.30 p.m.

NEXT SUNDAY

Rev Dalzell will conduct the service next Sunday at 11.00 a.m.

KIRK SESSION

Kirk Session will meet on Tuesday week, 24th January at 7.45 p.m. in the Session Room. The Business Committee will meet at 7.30 p.m. in the Minister's Room.

MORNING BIBLE STUDY

The Morning Bible Study resumes on Wednesday week, 25th February from 10.15 a.m. – 12.00 noon at 27 Ballygowan Road.

CONGREGATIONAL COMMITTEE

The Congregational Committee will meet on Monday fortnight, 30th January at 7.45 p.m. in the Session Room. The Finance Committee will meet at 7.15 p.m. in the Minister's Room.

WORLD CLASS BALL – postponed

Unfortunately due to lack of numbers the Youth Fellowship's 'World Class Ball' planned for Friday has been postponed. A 'World Class Ball Take 2!' will be along the same lines with a dinner, but will then be followed by live entertainment from our very own kids. Tickets will be available when a new date has been finalised.

AGAPE EVENT

What is daily life under occupation really like? What is the Israeli peace movement doing? What can we do to promote a just peace in Israel-occupied Palestine? Find out the answers to these questions from Rev Dr John Parkin who has just recently returned from the West Bank. Venue: Belfast South Methodist Centre, 283 Lisburn Road. Date: Wednesday 18th January at 7.30 p.m.

Anyone wishing to attend should please contact Sheena Stewart (9079 3161)

HOPE UNEXPECTED!

'Hope unexpected' – lessons from the life of the Church in the Middle East. A conference to learn how God is at work through the challenges and opportunities faced by the Church in the Middle East. This is being held in Assembly Buildings on Thursday week, 26th January from 9.30 a.m. – 1.30 p.m. including a light lunch. Bookings have to be made with the Mission Department in Church House before Friday. Contact Barbara Dyatt for further information.

MALAWI SCHOOL FEES

The fees for next term have to be paid by Tuesday. If you are part of the sponsorship programme please pay Jemma Knox today or place your donation in the offering plate in a envelope clearly marked with your name.

THANK YOU!

The following letter of appreciation has been received for the toys contributed by the congregation at the Children's Christmas Tree Gift Service on 10th December –
“The Rev R Johnston and I would like to thank the members of Cregagh most sincerely for helping with Belfast Central Mission's Christmas Programme. This year, we gave 3100 children and teenagers a toy parcel or gift. I am delighted to say that your donation helped us to fulfil our aims. The families concerned were extremely grateful for the help they received. May we take this opportunity to wish you every blessing in 2017.” (Janet Sewell – Community Services Manager)

FEBRUARY DATES

Sunday 5 th at 11.00 a.m.	Morning Worship	Rev Paul Dalzell
Monday 6 th at 7.30 p.m.	PW Meeting (A Christian in Politics – Naomi Long)	
Sunday 12 th at 11.00 a.m.	Contemporary Service	Rev Paul Dalzell
Sunday 12 th at 7.00 p.m.	Connect Service	
Thursday 16 th at 7.30 p.m.	Annual Meeting and Congregational Reunion	
Friday 17 th from 2.15 p.m.	NI Blood Transfusion Unit donations	
Saturday 18 th at 9.00 a.m.	Guides 'Big Breakfast'	
Sunday 19 th at 11.00 a.m.	Thinking Day Service	
Sunday 19 th at 7.00 p.m.	Evening Worship	Rev Paul Dalzell
Sunday 26 th at 11.00 a.m.	Morning Worship	Rev Paul Dalzell

CHURCH SIGNS – from real church noticeboards

Free trip to heaven. Details inside!
Searching for a new look? Have your faith lifted here!
Have trouble sleeping? We have sermons – come hear one!
God so loved the world that he did not send a committee
Come in and pray today. Beat the Christmas rush!
When down in the mouth, remember Jonah. He came out alright
Fight Truth decay – study the Bible daily
How will you spend eternity – smoking or nonsmoking?
Dusty Bibles lead to dirty lives
It is unlikely there'll be a reduction in the wages of sin
Do not wait for the hearse to take you to church
If you're headed in the wrong direction, God allows U-turns
If you don't like the way you were born, try being born again
Looking at the way some people live, they ought to obtain fire insurance soon
Forbidden fruit creates many jams
In the dark? Follow the Son
Running low on faith? Stop in for a fill-up
If you can't sleep, don't count sheep – talk to the Shepherd.

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WEEKLY NEWS SHEET Sunday 15th January 2017



“I know the thoughts that I think towards you, saith the Lord, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope”
Jeremiah 29:12

MORNING SERVICE at 11.00 a.m. in the Church
EVENING SERVICE at 7.00 p.m. in the Transept
Both services conducted by the Rev Dr Harold MacConnell

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