



WELCOME Come Worship With Us

We are always happy to have visitors with us in Cregagh; and we welcome any who may be worshipping with us today.

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

We are delighted this evening to welcome the Rev Richard Kerr from Templepatrick Presbyterian Church who will speak on the work of Embrace and PCI with migrants and asylum seekers.

COFFEE BAR

The Coffee Bar is open in the Allen Hall after this morning's service and all are invited to stay behind for some refreshments and a chat.

TODAY'S FLOWERS

The Pedestal flowers are provided by Mrs M Hewitt, Brackenridge, Carrickfergus. The Sanctuary flowers are which are provided by Mr H Gibson, Hyndsdales Park and Miss P Gibson, Thiepval Avenue are 'In Memory'

RETIRING OFFERING

There will be a retiring offering after this evening's service for the work of Embrace.

MORNING WATCH

Morning Watch will meet on Tuesday at 10.45 a.m. in the Session Room and will be lead by Rev Stephen Moore. All welcome.

MORNING BIBLE STUDY

The Morning Bible Study will meet on Wednesday from 10.15 a.m. – 12.00 noon at 5 Ardenlee Avenue continuing to study the PCI programme 'Prepared to Serve'

OFFICE HOURS

The Clerk of Session will be in the Minister's Room on Thursday from 7.30-8.30 pm.

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.

SAINT PATRICK'S DAY WALK

The Walking Group invite you to an early season walk on Friday (St. Patrick's Day) leaving the church at 9.30 a.m. sharp and returning in time to attend the Lenten Lunch in the Allen Hall.

LENTEN LUNCHESES

The third of this year's Lenten Lunches will be served on Friday from 12.00 noon – 1.30 p.m. in the Allen Hall. Only £5. Proceeds in aid of the Building Fund. All welcome.



NEXT SUNDAY

Morning Worship at 11.00 a.m. in the Church

Rev Stephen Moore

Evening Worship at 7.00 p.m. in the Transept

Rev Hastings McIntyre

CLOTHES COLLECTION

The annual Clothes Collection, in aid of the Building Fund, takes place from Monday week, 20th March. Please plan to put all your unwanted items of clothing, shoes, handbags and belts in plastic bags; and any bedding items, duvets, sheets, bed covers etc. should be put in separate bags. Bags may be left at the church hall from 7.00 – 9.00 pm each evening (Monday – Thursday) or 9.30 a.m. – 12.30 p.m. on the Friday.

KIRK SESSION

Kirk Session will meet on Tuesday week, 21st March at 7.45 p.m.

The Business Committee will meet at 7.30 p.m. in the Minister's Room.

Elders are asked to collect their Minutes/Agenda from the pigeon holes today.

READING CIRCLE

The Reading Circle will meet on Friday week, 24th March at 16 Cairnshill Park, when we will review 'Disclaimer' by Renee Knight. May will arrange menu via email.

TEARFUND EVENING OF MUSIC

Tearfund are holding an Evening of Music from New Irish Arts, including interviews with Jude Hill and the McAllister family about hope and help given in the Democratic Republic of Congo. Carnmoney Presbyterian Church on Saturday week, 25th March at 8.00 p.m. Tickets (£5) from www.tearfund.org/ni or 9073 0060.

THE CRUCIFIXION

Stainer's 'Crucifixion', a Meditation on the Sacred Passion of Jesus, will be presented on this day fortnight, 26th March at 7.00 p.m. in Ravenhill Presbyterian Church.

The oratorio will be directed by Colin Scott with guest soloists and chorus including Richard Erskine (Bass) and Mark Tilley (Tenor) Organist: Stephen Hamill.

AS OTHERS SEE US

How do people who have come to live here, view us? What do they notice about our faith and culture? These and other questions will be discussed at a conference organised by PCI Council for Global Mission on Thursday morning, 30th March in Assembly Buildings. Places must be booked in advance on 9041 7263 or global@presbyterianireland.org.

“HAND REFLEXOLOGY – YOUR HEALTH IN YOUR HANDS”

Kapil Puri, a practitioner of natural therapies will be presenting a number of talks across the province entitled “Hand Reflexology – Your health in your hands – Literally!” Reflexology is normally carried out on the feet and how it works will be explained as well as hand reflexology. Heal yourself and your family with reflexology and avoid some medication and the side effects they create.

Kapil Puri has proposed to hold one evening in Cregagh on Friday 31st March with proceeds going to the Building Fund. Cost (£10) including light supper.

Please register your interest in attending with Maureen Mulligan (9045 5406) or Michael Graham (9044 8036)

YF AFTERNOON TEA

The Youth Fellowship invite you to Afternoon Tea on Saturday 8th April from 2.00 p.m. in the Allen Hall. There will also be entertainment for those who require it. Tickets are available (£5 suggested donation) from Lauren Fincham or Laura Watson or you may pay at the door. If you could help with providing small cakes or traybakes please contact Lauren or Laura as soon as possible.

SPRING COMMUNICANTS CLASSES

Anyone in the congregation interested in attending classes in preparation for becoming a full communicant member of the church should please give their name to Dennison Mahood before next Sunday.

CHURCH PEWS

In preparation for the restoration and refurbishment of the church in the very near future we have to dispose of the church pews. If anyone wishes to purchase a pew for their own homes or are aware of any churches that may make use of them please contact Karen McCurry or Dennison Mahood as soon as possible.

CHURCH RESTORATION/REFURBISHMENT

Following last Sunday's Meeting of the Congregation when unanimous approval was given to proceed with the recommended contractor and a loan of £350,000, it is now confirmed that work will commence on Monday 24th April. Some church furnishings and fittings may have to be removed and the organ to longer played prior to that date. The last Sunday service to be held in the church will be on Easter Day at 11.00 a.m. Services will then be held in the Allen Hall from Sunday 23rd April for the duration of the work which will probably last for 12 months.

LENT AND EASTER SERVICES

Sunday 26th March at 11.00 a.m. in the Church

Mothering Sunday Service lead by Rev Dr Harold MacConnell and the Junior Choir

Sunday 2nd April at 11.00 a.m. in the Church

Passion Sunday Service. Rev Jim Campbell

Sunday 9th April at 11.00 a.m. in the Church

Palm Sunday Communion. Rev Dr Ron Savage

Sunday 9th April at 7.00 p.m. in the Church

Youth Fellowship Palm Sunday Service

Thursday 13th April at 7.30 p.m. in the Church

Maundy Thursday Communion Rev Stephen Moore (tbc)

Friday 14th April at 12.00 noon in the Church

Good Friday Meditation

Friday 14th April at 7.30 p.m. in the Church

Good Friday Service of Reflection Rev Stephen Moore (tbc)

Sunday 16th April at 11.00 a.m. in the Church

Easter Day Service Rev Dr Harold MacConnell (tbc)



WEEKLY NEWS SHEET **Sunday 12th March 2017** **The Second Sunday in Lent**

"Seek ye the Lord while He may be found; call ye upon Him while He is near. Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; and let him return unto the Lord for He will abundantly pardon"
(Isaiah 55: 6-7)

MORNING SERVICE at 11.00 a.m. in the Church
Contemporary Service with Barbara Dyatt and the Praise Group
Theme 'Joshua the Spy', 'Joshua the Leader' and 'Joshua gets it wrong'
Scripture Readings: Joshua 1: 1-9

EVENING SERVICE at 7.00 p.m. in the Allen Hall
Connect Service with guest speaker Rev Richard Kerr

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