



## **VISITORS**

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 Porch, giving name and full postal address. This morning, any parents with babies are invited to make use of the Creche (in the Session Room) or KidZone for 3 year olds upwards (in the Stewart Hall) who leave the service after the children's address and hymn.

We would also welcome and thank Rev Dr Harold MacConnell (a.m.) and Rev Stephen Moore (p.m.) for conducting today's services; and our guest organists, Gordon Mairs (a.m.) and Rev Noel Williamson (p.m.)

## **COFFEE BAR**

Refreshments are being served in the Stewart Hall after this morning's service and all are invited.

## **CHURCH FLOWERS**

The Pedestal flowers are provided by Mrs Irene Millen, Cregagh Court.

The Porch flowers are by Mrs Eileen Allen, Orby Drive.

## **MORNING BIBLE STUDY**

Morning Bible Study will take place on Wednesday from 10.15 a.m. - 12.00 noon at 27 Ballygowan Road.

## **OFFICE HOURS**

There will be no Office Hours for the next two weeks (15<sup>th</sup> or 22<sup>nd</sup> February)

The Clerk of Session will be in the Minister's Room on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March.

## **VACANCY COVER**

Any matters requiring urgent attention or the services of a minister may be referred to: from Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> – Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> February Rev Stephen Moore (9070 5136) or Michael Graham (07548635075) and from Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> February onwards

Dennison Mahood, Clerk of Session (9079 9307 or email [dmahood@btinternet.com](mailto:dmahood@btinternet.com))

## **ANNUAL MEETING AND CONGREGATIONAL REUNION**



The Annual Meeting and Congregational Reunion will be held on

Thursday at 7.30 p.m. in the Allen Memorial Hall. In addition to

reviewing the past year in the congregation there will be short musical segment by the Church Choir and then supper will be served in the Stewart Hall. A full attendance is requested

## **NEXT SUNDAY – First Sunday in Lent**

Morning Service at 11.00 a.m. Rev Albin Rankin (Minister of Stormont Presbyterian Church and member of Cregagh's Vacancy Commission.

Evening Service at 7.00 p.m. Connect Service focusing on SIM (Serving in Mission) Speaker: Mr Paul Todd (Director of Publishing at Africa Christian Textbooks and member of Harryville Presbyterian Church, Ballymena).

There will be a Retiring Offering for SIM after the Evening Service.

## **MORNING WATCH**

Morning Watch will meet on Tuesday week, 20<sup>th</sup> February at 10.45 a.m.

In the Session Room.

## **THINKING DAY**

Our Guides and Scouts Thinking Day Service will be held on this day fortnight, 25<sup>th</sup> February at 11.00 a.m. The speaker will be Ruth Bromley (Children's Development Officer with PCI) Our Guide and Scout groups will take part in the service.

## **ORGANISATIONAL FORUM**

The annual Organisational Forum meeting will be held on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February at 7.45 p.m. in the Barbour Hall. All organisations in the congregation are asked to ensure that they are represented at this meeting which will be chaired by Rev S Moore

## **NEXT MONTH'S SERVICES**

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> March at 11.00 a.m.

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> March at 11.00 a.m.

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> March at 7.00 p.m.

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> March at 11.00 a.m.

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> March at 7.00 p.m.

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> March at 11.00 a.m.

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30 p.m.

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> March at 12.00 noon

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Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> April at 11.00 a.m.

## **LENTEN LUNCHESES**

Due to access difficulties during the refurbishment of the church Kirk Session has decided to postpone the weekly Lenten Lunches until 2019. However, a Lenten Lunch will be served in the Stewart Hall from 12.15 – 1.30 p.m. following the Good Friday Noon Meditation.

## **FLORAL ART DEMONSTRATION**

On 23<sup>rd</sup> March Maureen Mulligan will be going to Calcutta in India with a team from Tearfund to work with Street Children and other vulnerable people.

As a fundraiser with proceeds for the work in Calcutta Maureen will present a Floral Art Demonstration along with the Cregagh Handbell Choir on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March at

7.30 p.m. in the Allen Hall. Tickets £10 (including light refreshments served from 7.00 p.m.) are now available from Maureen or any member of the Handbell Choir.



## ‘ESTHER’S BANQUET’ Cook Books

There are a very few copies left of ‘Esther’s Banquet: a feast from the Holy Land’ cook books written by Diane Hoy. If anyone didn’t get a copy or would like another one for a gift please contact Diane or Dennison Mahood. Cost £4.50 each.

### TAKING CARE OF ALL!

PCI are holding an Adult Safeguarding Conference (Prevention, Protection and Partnership) on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> March from 10.30 a.m. – 3.00 p.m. in Assembly Buildings. This conference is relevant for Ministers, Elders, Pastoral Care Workers and Organisation Leaders. For details and registration see corridor notice board.

### SOCIAL MEDIA –photograph – opt out

The Communications Group is planning to increase the amount of information uploaded to the church’s social media accounts and website. This is likely to include photographs of congregation members attending events organised by the church. If you do not wish a photograph of you or a family member to appear on the church’s website, Facebook, Twitter or Instagram social media accounts, then please inform a member of the Communications Group (David Gillespie, James McCormick, Dennison Mahood or Murray Dalzell) and this will be recorded.

### HEARING COMMITTEE

In connection with the Vacancy the use of a Hearing Committee and its membership was approved by the congregation at the meeting following last Sunday morning’s service. The Hearing Committee comprises of:

<u>Kirk Session</u>	Dennison Mahood, David Gillespie and Rebecca Day
<u>Congregational Committee</u>	James McCormick, Kathryn Glover and Nigel Platt
<u>Adult Organisations</u>	Robyn McCullough
<u>Church Choir</u>	Robert McNair
<u>Youth Organisations</u>	Lauren Fincham
<u>Uniformed Youth Organisations</u>	Laura Armstrong
<u>Members of Congregation not on Session or Committee</u>	Rosemary Thompson and Sheila Beattie

### THE BIBLE IN FIFTY WORDS.....

There are 775,632 words in the Authorised Version of the Bible – this is the condensed version:

*God made, Adam bit, Noah arked, Abraham split, Joseph ruled, Jacob fooled, bush talked, Moses balked, Pharoah plagued, people walked, sea divided, tablets guided, promise landed, Saul freaked, David peeked, prophets warned, Jesus born, God walked, love talked, anger crucified, hope died, love rose, spirit flamed, word spread, God remained.*



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Love God and Love Your Neighbour



## WEEKLY NEWS SHEET Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2018

*‘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.

Rev Dr Harold MacConnell

Scripture Readings: 2 Kings 5: 19-27 and Luke 4: 1-13

EVENING SERVICE at 7.00 p.m.

Rev Stephen Moore

Scripture Reading: John 7: 53 and 8: 1-11

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