



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

\*\* The following may help our visitors to share in this morning's service:

\*\* The Processional and Recessional hymns are not announced – the numbers are on the hymn boards – hymn books and bibles are in the pews for your use.

\*\* Please stand (if able) as the service begins when the Bible, Choir and Minister enter church, and remain standing until the Minister says "Let us pray"

\*\* 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 join us for a cuppa and a chat.

## PRE-SERVICE COFFEE BAR

You are reminded that tea and toast are served in the McIntyre Suite each Sunday morning before Morning Worship. More help/volunteers are required to help with the pre-service coffee bar, for even 2 or 3 Sundays per year. If you can help please contact Karen Collins who can show you how to work the coffee maker etc.

(Mobile: 07545757894)

## CHURCH FLOWERS

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

## MORNING WATCH

Morning Watch will meet on Tuesday at 10.45 a.m. in the Session Room.

## KIRK SESSION

Kirk Session will meet on Tuesday at 7.45 p.m. in the Session Room.

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

## CHRISTIAN AID TRANSFORMATION

'East Belfast Workshop – Christian Aid Transformation' – a discussion event about the future of Christian Aid Week will be held on Tuesday at 7.30 p.m. in Garnerville Presbyterian Church. You are invited to be part of the conversation to give your voice, ideas and prayers.

## MORNING BIBLE STUDY

The Lenten Bible Study continues on Wednesday from 10.15 a.m. – 12.00 noon at 27 Ballygowan Road; and also on 27<sup>th</sup> March and 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> April.

## THE EVERGREENS

The Evergreens will meet on Wednesday at 2.30 p.m. in the Barbour Hall. Our speaker cancelled due to illness but Wilma McCluskey is making a craft item with us and we are grateful to her for stepping in. All welcome.

## OFFICE HOURS

Rev McKenzie will be in the Minister's Room on Thursday from 7.30 – 8.30 p.m.

## OPEN CHURCH

The church will be open for private prayer and meditation on Friday, as usual, from 10.30 a.m. – 1.30 p.m.

## LENTEN LUNCHESES



The third of this year's Lenten Lunches organised by Kirk Session, will be served on Friday from 12.00 noon in the Allen Hall, and will be served each Friday during Lent until Good Friday, 19<sup>th</sup> April. Only £5 for choice of soup, wheaten bread, french roll, traybakes and tea or coffee. Proceeds are for the Building Fund.

Elders are asked to confirm with the Clerk of Session, Michael Graham, their contributions of food, donations and kitchen and serving help for the lunches.

## READING CIRCLE

The Reading Circle will meet on Friday at 21 Ormiston Drive, where 'The Old Orchard' by Tony Salter will be reviewed. Next suggestion is 'The Unexpected Guest' by Agatha Christie. As usual menu arranged by email.



## CREGAGH FAMILY FUN DAY

A 'Fun Day' will be held on Saturday from 10.30 a.m. – 1.30 p.m. in the church buildings, finishing with lunch. This will be for people of all ages and is a free event.

We just need to know numbers attending for catering purposes so please either email [cregaghfunday@gmail.com](mailto:cregaghfunday@gmail.com) today or Monday or sign a sheet in the Church Vestibule or McIntyre Suite today.

## NEXT SUNDAY

The service next Sunday at 11.00 a.m. will be conducted by the Rev McKenzie and the Praise Group will lead the praise.

## SPRING MUSICAL VARIETY CONCERT

Tickets are selling fast for the Spring Musical Variety Concert being held on Friday fortnight, 5<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30 p.m. in the church. This promises to be a very entertaining evening; and artistes include: the Millar Memorial Flute Band, Campbell College Pipe Band, Lynne McAllister and Brian Trainor (Musical Theatre Duo) and Cregagh Handbell Choir. Proceeds for Building Fund. Tickets (£10) are available today from Anne Graham or Dennison Mahood.



## CINEMA OUTING – Advance Notice

The Tudor Cinema in Comber has been booked for Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May when the film 'Driving Miss Daisy' will be shown. This is being organised to raise funds for the Building Fund. Information from Heather Sharpe and Carol McCormick.

## THANK YOU

May Gordon thanks all who made her Health and Wellbeing evening such a success. £400 which includes Gift Aid was raised.

## CHRISTIAN AID

Christian Aid booklets with daily reflections for Lent are available in the Church Vestibule and McIntyre Suite for anyone who would like one.

## MALAWI

Malawi Declares State of Disaster – in areas affected by floods. 30 plus people have been confirmed dead, many are missing or injured and over 200,000 affected. Roads and bridges have been damaged.

This news might go un-noticed but from messages coming from our friends. They struggle to help each other with those with nothing trying to support with even less! With our help they can reach out in Christian love to their distressed neighbours.

Here are a couple of their messages: *“Some church members, a family of 5 were trapped by a wall, I rushed to the scene with well wishers and rescued them. Thank God all are well after taking them to hospital. Monday builders will go to repair the wall”* – *“The past week rains have caused havoc in some parts of the southern region leaving some people destitute while others have lost their lives.”* - *“After assessing the people affected with heavy rains, some are homeless, properties destroyed.*

*Tomorrow we will set Disaster Committee in order to handle issues to our community. Its very pathetic and we need urgently to assist those affected. A friend in need is a friend indeed. So be with us in prayers so that we can accomplish our dreams. God bless, Wilson”*

In addition to your prayers there will be an opportunity to send practical help when a retiring offering will be taken up after next Sunday's service.

## YF SERVICE VIDEO

Volunteers are requested to take part in a short question and answer video which is being prepared for the Youth Fellowship Palm Sunday Service. Recordings will be made after Morning Service next Sunday and on 31<sup>st</sup> March. Those willing to help should please speak to Rev McKenzie.

## BIBLE STUDY NOTES

Anyone requiring printed notes on the recent two Sunday evening bible studies on Mark and Romans may arrange to get them from Rev McKenzie.

## IN APPRECIATION FROM DENNISON MAHOOD

“I would like to thank all those involved in making my retirement ‘do’ on Friday such an enjoyable and memorable occasion. It was lovely to have so many friends and family joining in the event; and I would thank Rev McKenzie, Michael Graham and all those who helped in any way with all the arrangements. My heartfelt gratitude is extended to the members of the congregation for their most generous presentation gift of which I am so overwhelmed – thank you so much. I also gratefully appreciate all the cards and good wishes extended to me in recent weeks. Thank you all so much.”

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## WEEKLY NEWS SHEET The Second Sunday in Lent Saint Patrick's Day 17<sup>th</sup> March 2019



*“If I should be worthy, I am ready to give even my life for His names sake unhesitatingly and very gladly; and there I desire to spend it even unto death, if the Lord would grant it to me”*



(From St.Patrick's 'Confession' – his response to the call to come back to Ireland)

MORNING SERVICE at 11.00 a.m. in the Church

Rev Edward McKenzie and the Church Choir

Theme: Apostles Creed 5: 'He descended to the dead. The third day he rose again'

Scripture Readings: Jonah 2: and Acts 17: 10-15

EVENING SERVICE at 6.30 p.m. in the Allen Hall

Rev McKenzie and the Praise Group

Connect 'Café Church' – 'What the Bible says about Mission'

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