



### WELCOME TO WORSHIP

We are always happy to have visitors with us in Cregagh; and we welcome any who may be worshipping with us on this the last Sunday of 2019. 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 young babies are invited to make use of the 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 the 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.

### CHRISTMAS OFFERINGS

Christmas 'PCI World Development' and 'Cregagh Building Fund' envelopes are still in the pews for those who didn't have an opportunity to contribute over the Christmas season.

### CONGREGATIONAL FINANCES

Today is the last day on which members may bring their 2019 WFO, United Appeal and Building Fund contributions up to date. The congregational financial books for 2019 close promptly today.



### COFFEE BAR

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

### PRE-SERVICE COFFEE BAR

Tea and toast are served in the McIntyre Suite each Sunday from 10.00 – 10.45 a.m. before Morning Worship. All are welcome.

### HELP REQUESTED!

Help is required to remove the Christmas tree and decorations from the church on Monday from 9.30 a.m. – 12.00 noon. If you can help please give your name to Dennison Mahood this morning.

### OFFICE HOURS

There will be no 'Office Hours' this week. Rev McKenzie will be in the Minister's Room on Thursday week, 9<sup>th</sup> January 2020 from 7.30 – 8.30 p.m.

Any urgent matters requiring attention may be referred to Rev McKenzie (07809674068) or Clerk of Session, Michael Graham (07548635075)

### OPEN CHURCH

The church will be open as usual on Friday from 10.30 a.m. – 12.00 noon for private prayer and meditation.

### NEW YEAR COMMUNION



The New Year Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be observed next Sunday at 11.00 a.m. The service will be lead by Rev McKenzie and the Church Choir.

The Retiring Offering after Communion will be in aid of the Benevolent Fund.

### PRAYER AND BIBLE STUDY

Rev McKenzie will resume the monthly Sunday evening Prayer and Bible Study time next Sunday at 6.30 p.m. in the church.

### OTHER JANUARY SERVICES

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| Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup> at 11.00 a.m. | Rev McKenzie and Praise Group                    |
| Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup> at 6.30 p.m.  | Café Connect – Migrant Help                      |
| Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup> at 11.00 a.m. | Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Service       |
|                                       | Preacher: Rev Ken Connor (Cregagh Methodist)     |
| Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup> at 6.30 p.m.  | Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Joint Service |
|                                       | in Cregagh with Cregagh Methodist and            |
|                                       | Salvation Army. Preacher: Rev Edward McKenzie    |
| Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup> at 11.00 a.m. | Rev McKenzie and Church Choir                    |

### PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

PW will meet on Monday week, 6<sup>th</sup> January at 7.00 p.m. in the Barbour Hall when Rev McKenzie will bring a New Year Message. All ladies will be very welcome.

### MORNING WATCH

Morning Watch will meet on Tuesday week, 7<sup>th</sup> January at 10.45 a.m.

### TEA AND TALK

Tea and Talk Together will meet on Wednesday week, 8<sup>th</sup> January from 2.00 – 3.30 p.m. in the McIntyre Suite.

### COMING SOON!

An 'Olde Tyme' Psalm Service will be held on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> February at 11.00 a.m. when Rev McKenzie will lead the service and preach and John Dallas will be the Precentor leading the unaccompanied singing of the psalms. Members of the congregation of all ages are encouraged to dress in Victorian costume for the service, but obviously all who do not wish to dress up will be very welcome.



## MALAWI UPDATE

“Thanks to your generosity the children at Chifundo3 had a Christmas party. Many ate their rice and chicken in their bare feet but it was still enjoyed and each had a small gift to take home. Everything much appreciated. The committee at Chifundo also received a Christmas gift from us and each of our sponsored students got £12 to spend on essentials. School fees for next term are due in January. So please lend a hand to keep them in school a while longer. Your coppers can continue to feed these youngsters at Chifundo in the new year.....so keep saving!” (Sheena Stewart)

## CALLING ALL ORGANISATIONS

Organisational leaders/secretaries/treasurers are asked to submit their activity reports for 2019, numbers on rolls, contact details (names of leaders, office bearers, telephone numbers and email addresses) to David Gillespie, and financial reports for 2019 to Dawn Johnston not later than Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> January.

## CHRISTMAS IN CREGAGH

Very many thanks to all involved in making the past Christmas season in Cregagh again so very special as we joined together as members, visitors and friends in worship and celebration of Jesus Christ's birth

Particular thanks is expressed to our minister, Rev Edward McKenzie as he lead the services, John Dallas and the Church Choir, Maureen Mulligan and the Junior Choir, Kathryn Glover and the Praise Group and Dorothy Platt and the Handbell Choir.

All who read or participated in the Advent Carol Service, the Children's Christmas Tree Service, the YF Service, the Candlelight Service, etc, - all who catered, all who decorated and provided decorations for the church and trees, those who brought gifts for the Belfast City Mission, those who produced and printed orders of service, Don Jackson for all the extra work and tidying up – to these and others we say a very big 'Thank You'

## THANK YOU FROM THE MANSE AND LARNE!

Our Minister, Rev Edward McKenzie and our Minister Emeritus, Rev Hastings McIntyre and their families would thank the members of the congregation for all the good wishes, cards and gifts they received at Christmas and wish you all every blessing for 2020.

## JANUARY DUTY ROTAS

KIRK SESSION – Maureen Mulligan, David Gillespie, Anne Gamble, Gordon Dunlop, Barbara Dunlop and Robert Oliver (Team Leader)

CONGREGATIONAL COMMITTEE – Angela Watson, Wilma McLuskey, Laura Watson, Jim McCurry, Karen Collins, Dawn Johnston, Pauline Gibson (Deputy Leader) and Karen McCurry (Leader)

WELCOME AREA DOOR DUTY – (8<sup>th</sup>) Darren Simons (9<sup>th</sup>) Carol and Leslie Ferguson (15<sup>th</sup>) Jackie McKirgan (16<sup>th</sup>) Thomas Clarke (22<sup>nd</sup>) Lisa Fincham (23<sup>rd</sup>) Robert McNair and James McCormick (29<sup>th</sup>) Joan and Malcolm Taylor (30<sup>th</sup>) Sheila Beattie.

AFTER SERVICE COFFEE BAR – (5<sup>th</sup>) Squirrels/Beavers/Rainbows-Laura Watson.

\*\*\*(Flower Delivery, Creche, Bible Duty and Coffee Bar duty dates will follow next Sunday)



# CREGAGH

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

## Weekly News Sheet

## Old Year Sunday

## 29<sup>th</sup> December 2019

*“The eyes of the Lord your God are always upon you,  
from the beginning of the year unto the end”*

Deuteronomy 11:12

*“Remember the days of old, consider the years of  
many generations”*

Deuteronomy 32:7

*Days should speak, and multitude of years should  
teach wisdom”*

Job 32:7

TODAY'S SERVICE at 11.00 a.m.

Rev Edward McKenzie and the Church Choir

Scripture Readings: Luke 23: 26-43 and Exodus 30: 1-10

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**A VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR TO YOU ALL**