



## 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 ask our members and visitors to remain seated at the end of the service until directed to leave by an usher. Please do not stop to chat in the church pews or aisles but you may do so in the church grounds obviously observing social distancing.

## OFFERINGS

The offering will not be collected during the service but there are collection plates in the Church Vestibule and McIntyre Suite for your use.

## CHURCH FLOWERS

The Pedestal flowers are provided by Mrs B McCluskey, Stirling Avenue and Mrs S Clarke, Ballyhalbert.

The Sanctuary flowers provided by the Hoy Family, Beech Park East are 'In Memory of George'

## OPEN CHURCH

The church will be open as usual on Friday from 10.00 a.m. – 12.00 noon for private prayer and meditation.

## REMEMBRANCE DAY – NEXT SUNDAY



Next Sunday as is the custom we hope to gather to share in an Act of Remembrance. Due to the restrictions that currently surround us it would be impossible to conduct our service in the usual way. A short Act of Remembrance to enable observing the two minute silence at 11.00 a.m. will be held in the church grounds between the two morning services:

Our services will be held at 10.00 a.m. and 11.30 a.m. and both services will be Remembrance themed and wreaths laid on both War Memorials.

The 10.00 a.m. service will end at 10.45 a.m. and those in attendance will be asked to gather outside, observing social distancing, at the right-hand side of the buildings (Allen Hall side) exiting via the McIntyre Suite doors.

The second service will take place at 11.30 a.m., those attending are asked to gather, (again observing social distancing) at the left-hand side of the church buildings (Tower side) at 10.45 a.m. to share in the Act of Remembrance.

At the conclusion of the Act of Remembrance those attending the second service will be guided and seated as normal and the service will begin at 11.30 a.m.

Please register your attendance in the usual way.

There will be a Retiring Offering for the Poppy Day Appeal.

## MINISTER'S OFFICE HOURS

Due to Covid19 restrictions Office Hours are suspended until Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> November but appointments with Rev McKenzie for any urgent matters may be made by phoning 07809 674068.

## NOVEMBER DATES

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> at 10.00 a.m. and 12.00 noon

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> at 11.00 a.m.

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> 10.45 a.m.

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> from 6.30 – 8.00 p.m.

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> at 10.00 a.m. and 12.00 noon

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> at 9.30 a.m.

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> at 10.00 a.m. and 12.00 noon

Presbyterian Women Services

Youth Bible Class resumes

Morning Watch resumes

Minister's Office Hours resume

Morning Worship

Blobs Group resumes

Advent Carol Service

## ADVENT QUIET MORNING

.....to enable us to take time out, be still and focus on God's promises as we prepare for Christmas. Traditionally we have gone to an outside location but due to Coronavirus – and in the hope that restrictions still allow us – this year we will meet here in our own church. With social distancing, numbers may be limited.

Save the date: Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> November from 9.30 a.m.-12.30 p.m. More details later

## IN APPRECIATION

"Robyn McCullough and the Foster families (Mervyn Foster – Derrylin, Beryl Boyd – Clogher and Olga Speck – USA) would like to sincerely thank Rev McKenzie and the Kirk Session for permitting a Service of Thanksgiving for the Life of our sister Cynthia to be held in Cregagh. We would also thank the Minister and Congregation for all the support we received – prayers, flowers, cards, letters, messages and kind thoughts during this very sad time. Thank you." (Robyn McCullough)

## FLOWER DELIVERY DUTY FOR SUNDAYS IN NOVEMBER

1<sup>st</sup> Lily Taylor and Sheena Stewart

8<sup>th</sup> Anne Graham and Michael Graham

15<sup>th</sup> Maggi Hamilton and Barbara Dunlop

22<sup>nd</sup> Beth McNair and Rosemary Carlisle

29<sup>th</sup> Dorothy Elliott and Dorothy Platt

## WEEKLY NEWS SHEETS

Weekly News Sheets are available for collection each Sunday in the Church Porch and McIntyre Suite. Please take a copy for yourself and if you know of any members unable to come to church who may like one please feel free to put a copy through their door.

Items for inclusion in the News Sheet should be submitted not later than 7 p.m. on the Wednesday preceding the Sunday on which the announcement is to be included.

Leave a note in the church pigeon hole or email [dennison.mahood@yahoo.com](mailto:dennison.mahood@yahoo.com).

## COVID UPDATE

At Cregagh we wish to create an environment that is both welcoming and safe. While we would actively encourage all members to come back to worship, believing it safe to do so with the measures we have taken, we also wish to highlight that no one should come to services if they have symptoms.

As we continue to move forward towards something more like normal it is imperative that we do so by insuring that all actions are in line with current guidelines and restrictions. With no changes to PCI guidelines regarding 2m social distance the same arrangements for services that are currently in place will continue throughout the coming weeks continuing to provide a service at 10am and 12noon, accommodating around 60 people on each occasion. Doors will be opened at 9:30am and 11:30am so that folk can be guided and seated. The wearing of face coverings, is now mandatory when entering and exiting the building and formally advised and strongly encouraged, by PCI, that they be worn during the service.

Members are still being asked to register, due to 'contact tracing', by contacting Michael on email or phone, indicating which Sunday(s), how many are 'in their bubble' and attending with them, as well as which time slot(s). As before those who have registered will be asked to inform Michael Graham and if for whatever reason someone cannot attend so that the register can be as accurate as possible.

The services themselves will continue to be slightly shorter than normal and present arrangements regarding offering will remain in place. There will be no offering plate passed around during services but there are three stations where you can drop your offering off as you leave the building. We will continue to gradually incorporate shared singing, including inviting the congregation to stand.

Even though KidZone and crèche will be unavailable children and babies are very welcome at our services!

The issue of offering lifts to church continues to be a difficult one but the official position in terms of the guidelines is that folk should still not offer nor provide lifts to anyone outside of their bubble. Unfortunately pastoral visitation is still limited to emergencies and bereavements.

It would be anticipated that all practices would be reviewed in the coming weeks.

*For all the saints, who from their labours rest;  
who to the world by faith their Lord confessed,  
your name, O Jesus, be for ever blessed  
Alleluia, alleluia!*

*From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest shore  
through gates of pearl, ascending, they adore  
the Father, Son and Spirit evermore:  
Alleluia, alleluia!*



## **Weekly News Sheet** **Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2020**



*"For you were once in darkness, but now you are the light in the Lord. Live as children of light (for the fruit of the light consists in all goodness, righteousness and truth) and find out what pleases the Lord. Have nothing to do with the fruitless deeds of darkness, but rather expose them. It is shameful even to mention what the disobedient do in secret. But everything exposed by the light becomes visible – and everything that is illuminated becomes a light"*

Ephesians 5:8-13

SERVICES TODAY at 10.00 a.m. and 12.00 noon  
Connect Services - Focus: Emmanuel Ministries Calcutta  
Scripture Reading: Philipians 1: 2-6 & 9-11  
Rev Edward McKenzie and Maureen Mulligan

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