



## **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 Vestibule, giving name and postal address. This morning any parents with babies are invited to make use of the Pebbles Creche or KidZone for 3 year olds upwards (in the Stewart Hall)) who leave church after the third hymn.

- \*\* The following may help our visitors to share in the service:
- \*\* The Processional and Recessional hymn are not announced – the numbers are on the hymnboards – hymnbooks and bibles are in the pews for your use.
- \*\* Please stand (if able) as the service begins when the Bible is carried in and the Choir and Minister enter; and remain standing until the Minister says “Let us pray”
- \*\* The Offering is after the Sermon and is not announced.
- \*\* Please stand as the collectors bring the Offering to the Sanctuary for Dedication, and remain standing until after the Recessional hymn and the Minister and Choir leave and the Bible is carried from church.

## **COFFEE BAR**

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

## **CHURCH FLOWERS**

The flowers today provided by the Congregational Committee are 'In Memory of their loyal and faithful Committee member, Dawn Johnston'

## **TODAY'S BAPTISM**

Many if not all of you will know the young couple from Afghanistan, Mustafa and Masomeh, who have been attending Cregagh Presbyterian for over a year now. Both left Afghanistan at a time when the conflict there took a dramatic turn which saw the withdrawal of all international troops, the collapse of the government, and the takeover of the country by the Taliban. Violence against women and girls became widespread with the Taliban activity targeting human rights defenders, women activists, and former members of the security forces, especially women, and that gender-based discrimination and violence continues to this day. Both Mustafa and Masomeh have been amazed at the kindness and the welcome they have received from the congregation of Cregagh and Masomeh has spoken of the comfort and security she feels when attending services of worship and has come to trust and believe in the Lord Jesus Christ. In seeking to make a public declaration of her faith in and commitment to Jesus Christ, Masomeh has asked if she could be baptised and in time continue on her journey of faith by becoming a communicant member of the church.

## **MORNING WATCH**

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

## **THE BREWS BROTHERS**

The Brews Brothers men's group will meet on Tuesday from 12.30 – 2.00 p.m. in the McIntyre Suite. Come along for a chat or a browse through the daily newspapers over a cup of tea or coffee and a scone. Further details available from Michael Graham.

## **MINISTER'S LEAVE/OFFICE HOURS**

There will be no office hours until Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> February as Rev McKenzie will be on leave from Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> January – Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> February. During Rev McKenzie's absence any matters requiring urgent attention may be referred to the Clerk of Session, Michael Graham (07548 635075) or Rev Andy Galbraith, Minister of Fisherwick (07813 122453)

## **TEA AND TALK**

Tea and Talk will meet on Wednesday from 2.00 – 3.30 p.m. in the McIntyre Suite. Everyone welcome for some tea, fun and chat.

## **BEAVERS**

Our beavers section for boys or girls aged 6-8 meets on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 to 8:00pm in the Stewart Hall. For details please contact Craig Wilson (07881675501)

## **YOUTH BIG NIGHT**

All our young people are invited for an evening of fun at the Youth Big Night on Saturday from 7.00 – 9.00 p.m. at the church.

## **NEXT SUNDAY**

The service next Sunday at 11.00 a.m. will be conducted by Mr Thomas Clarke and the praise led by the Church Choir. The Sermon will be based on the congregation's sixth favourite hymn 'How great Thou art'

## **BLOBS**

The next meeting of Blobs will be held on Tuesday week, 28<sup>th</sup> January at 9.30 a.m. in the McIntyre Suite.

## **PRESBYTERIAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF IRELAND**

Psalms, Hymns and Spiritual Songs' – In 1840 the unaccompanied Psalms of the Scottish Meterical Psalter were the only lawful form of praise but throughout the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> centuries a range of musical features have been accommodated. Each new innovation brought with it disunity, dissension and diversity. Rev Scott Moore will give a talk on the matter on Thursday week, 2<sup>nd</sup> February at 8.00 p.m. in Cregagh Presbyterian Church. Everyone is welcome and light refreshments will be served.



## UPCOMING SERVICES

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> February at 11.00 a.m.  
Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> February at 6.30.m.  
Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> February at 11.00 a.m.  
Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> February at 11.00 a.m.

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> February at 7.00 p.m.  
Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> February at 11.00 a.m.

Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> February at 6.30 p.m.

## RAINBOW GUIDES

Can you help the Rainbow Guides? We are looking for an assistant leader/helper on Thursday evenings from 6.15 – 7.00 p.m. This can be on an occasional night or regular basis. If interested please contact Emma Davey (0754 005686)

## LEPROSY MISSION

'Ask Prayer' Diaries for 2023 and other LM literature and Mission Boxes are available in the McIntyre Suite today. It is requested that filled boxes be returned to Rebecca Clarke as soon as possible.



*I have a vision,  
Of better days...  
Its full of glory  
Worship and praise.*

*I can see faces,  
Filled not with fear  
Eyes that no longer  
Hold a single tear.*

*I have a vision'  
Where all things are new  
Whenever heaven...  
Comes into my view.*

Mr Peter Macmillan and Praise Group  
Café Connect – Mirgrant Help  
Rev Colin McCormack  
Rev McKenzie and Church Choir  
(Thinking Day Service)  
Evening Choral Service  
Rev McKenzie and Church Choir  
(Favourite Hymns – tbc)  
Evening Prayer and Bible Study – 1 John

*I can see hearts,  
flowing with grace  
I can see saints  
Who braved the race.*

*I can see souls,  
no longer in pain  
I can see where death  
Has given up its reign.*



## WEEKLY NEWS SHEET Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2023



*'And the Lord answered me "Write the vision;  
make it plain on tablets, so he may run who  
reads it'* Habakkuk 2:2

*'Where there is no prophetic vision the people  
cast off restraint, but blessed is he who reads it'*  
Proverbs 29:18

*'As we look not to the things that are seen but  
to the things that are unseen. For the things  
that are seen are transient, but the things  
that are unseen are eternal'* 2 Corinthians 4:18

TODAY'S SERVICE at 11.00 a.m in the Church  
Rev McKenzie and the Church Choir  
Sermon: 'Be Thou my Vision'  
Scripture Readings: Psalm 15 and Ephesians 6: 10-20

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