

#### 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 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 hymnboards hymnbooks and bibles are in the pews for your use.
- \*\* Please stand (if able) as the service begins when the Bible is carried into church and the Choir and Minister enter, and remain standing until the Minister says "Let us pray"
- \*\* The Offering is after the Sermon and is unannounced.
- \*\* Please stand as the collectors bring the Offering to the Sanctuary for dedication, and remain standing until after the Recessional hymn, the Minister and Choir leave and the Bible is carried from church.

### PRAYER ROOM

The Prayer Room (beside the Church Vestibule) is open on Sundays from 10.30-10.45 a.m. for anyone wishing to have prayers before Morning Worship. The Prayer Room is available to anyone for quiet personal prayer or reflection at anytime when the church building is open.

# **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.

#### **CHURCH FLOWERS**

The Pedestal flowers provided by Mr H Gibson, Hindsdale Park Miss P Gibson, Thiepval Avenue 'In Memory of Barbara and her son Paul'

# THE EVERGREENS

The Evergreens will meet on Wednesday at 2.30 p.m. in the Allen Hall when Rev Sidlow McFarland will speak on 'Spuds that speak!' All welcome.

#### **OFFICE HOURS**

Rev McKenzie will be in the Minister's Room on Thursday from 6.30 - 8.00 p.m.

#### ST. PATRICK'S NIGHT HOOLEY

The St Patrick's Night Hooley/Ceilidh will be held on Friday at 7.00 p.m. in the Allen Hall. This promises to be a really good fun evening with dancing, entertainment and an Irish supper. There are only a few tickets left so please speak to Anne Graham or Dennison Mahood asap to ensure you get a ticket.

Proceeds in aid of the Malawi Team 2023.

Sure and begorra – see you there!

# **MOTHERING SUNDAY**

Our Mothering Sunday service will be held next Sunday at 11.00 a.m. and the Rev McKenzie will conduct worship assisted by the Junior Choir.

Sermon theme: 10<sup>th</sup> Favourite hymn – 'Great is Thy faithfulness'

### **FAMILY FUN DAY**



The Family Fun Day with lunch will be held on Saturday week, 25<sup>th</sup> March from 10.00 a.m. The theme is 'The Mad Hatter's March' with fun for all ages.

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#### APRIL DATES FOR YOUR DIARY!

Sunday 2nd at 11.00 a.m. Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> at 7.30 p.m. Friday 7<sup>th</sup> from 12.00 noon-1.30 p.m. Friday 7<sup>th</sup> at 7.30 p.m. Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> at 11.00 a.m. Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7.30 p.m. Palm Sunday Communion Maundy Thursday Communion Good Friday Lenten Lunch 'Lights Out' Good Friday Service Easter Day Service Malawi Team Quiz Night

# LENT QUIET MORNING

A Lent Quiet Morning is being held on Saturday fortnight, 1<sup>st</sup> April from 9.30 a.m. – 12.30 p.m. in 1st Donegore Presbyterian Church, near Templepatrick faciltated by Roz Stirling, Cleopas Ministries. If interested, please contact Barbara Dunlop for more information (Tel: 9045 3829)

# SPRING COMMUNICANT'S CLASSES

Rev McKenzie will soon be starting his Spring Communicant's Classes; and anyone who may be interested to know more about become a communicant should please speak to Rev McKenzie within the next week or two.

# PRAYER LINK

The updated Prayer Link was launched at Tuesday's Morning Watch. Members of the congregation may request prayer for themselves or someone they know at any time and the names will be kept on the list for prayer for one month unless otherwise requested. Any member of the congregation who does not receive the fortnightly Prayer Linl list and would like to please speak to Rev McKenzie.

There is also an open invitation to anyone to come along to Morning Watch which is held on alternate Tuesdays from 10.45 - 11.30 a.m. in the Session Room.

#### **MALAWI**

<u>FUND RAISING TABLE</u> - Marmalade, jam, chutney, Easter chocolates, scone and small gifts are all available for purchase today in the McIntyre Suite. Please take something and place a donation in the 'Pence for Porridge' jar on the table. A new edition of the Prayer Booklet is also available – cost only £3.00 each. <u>MALAWI TEAM 2023</u> – It is commendable that seven members of our congregation are going to Malawi in July to see projects we support and meet local church leaders. The team comprises of Rev McKenzie, Sheena Stewart, James McCormick, Thomas Clarke, Susan Forsythe, Emma Skeet and Sarah Platt. Kirk Session has allocated £1000 to the team from our Mission Fund which they will be able to draw on as necessary to provide any further support to our friends in Malawi that the team identifies.

<u>GIFTS FOR MALAWI</u> – The team travelling to Malawi has a generous luggage allowance that enables us to carry gifts to some very poor children we will meet. Stationery too for our sponsored Secondary school children. Pens and note books, geometry sets and calculators are all available at the Poundshop.

We can take clothes for pre-schoolers, new or used as long as they are clean. T shirts, dresses, shorts, sweatshirts and underwear are all useful. Soap is much appreciated and Vaseline or any moisturiser is needed by everyone there. We will leave a suitcase each week in the McIntyre Suite – please help us to fill them. Many thanks to everyone.

#### CHURCH EVENT DIARY

To ensure we make the best use of our Church halls, we have decided to reintroduce a diary check to ensure events do not clash or overlap. Anyone or any organisation considering arranging an event, (fundraising or otherwise), should contact Maureen Mulligan to ensure the date is available.

# **KIDZONE**

There are several weeks on the rota between April and June that I have not got cover for yet for KidZone on a Sunday morning. If you could help out for a week or two then please let me know. New leaders are especially welcome, training is available, and you would never be put on the rota by yourself.

Contact: Karen McCurry (07552 606550





'Our steps are made firm by the Lord when He delights in our way.

Though we stumble, we shall not fall headlong, for the Lord holds us by the hand'

Psalm 37:23-24

'Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth'

Psalm 46:10

MORNING SERVICE at 11.00 a.m in the Church
Rev Edward McKenzie and the Church Choir
Theme: 9<sup>th</sup> Favourite Hymn - "Be still for the Presence of the Lord"
Scripture readings: Galatians 6: 11-18 and Genesis 28: 10-22

EVENING PRAYER AND BIBLE STUDY at 6.30 p.m. in the Church Rev McKenzie – Study: 2 John

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