

**As the deer
pants for
streams of water,
so my soul
pants for you,
my God.**

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 Karen McCurry and Rosemary Davey are 'In Memory of Dad and Loved Ones'

The Sanctuary flowers provided by Brian Douglas and Joan Lunn are 'In Memory of Gertie'

BLOBS

Blobs will meet on Tuesday at 9.30 a.m. in the McIntyre Suite.

OFFICE HOURS

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

LENT QUIET MORNING

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



Sunday 2nd April at 11.00 a.m.

**Palm Sunday Sacrament of the Lord's Supper
(Retiring Offering for the Benevolent Fund)**

Thursday 6th April at 7.30 p.m.

Maundy Thursday Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Friday 7th April - 12.00 noon – 1.30 p.m.

Good Friday Lenten Lunch (Donations in lieu of Malawi Team 2023)

Friday 7th April at 7.30 p.m.

Good Friday –'Lights Out' Service of Meditation

Sunday 9th April at 11.00 a.m.

Easter Day Service



TABLE QUIZ and AUCTION

A Table Quiz and Auction with proceeds in aid of the Malawi Team 2023 Trip will be held on Saturday 22nd April at 7.30 p.m. in the Allen Hall. £5 per person (minimum donation) Teams of 6 maximum. Questions for all ages. Tickets are now available from any member of the Malawi Trip Team.

BELFAST MARATHON 2023 - Sunday 30th April.

Due to the Coronation of King Charles 111 Bank Holiday Weekend the Belfast Marathon has been brought forward one week. Our Morning Service will therefore start at 11.30 a.m. on Sunday 30th April. We will as usual, be providing the runners with water and refreshments at they pass the church that morning.

Marathon for Malawi! Interested in running a leg of this year's Belfast Marathon as part of a relay team? The team from Cregagh will be raising much needed funds for Chifundo3 Children's Centre in Blantyre as well as support for other areas affected following the recent cyclone.

The legs of the relay vary from 4 – 7 miles and teams are made up of 5 runners. If interested please contact Cathy McCormick (07803 907637)

MALAWI

“Many thanks everyone for recent donations to Malawi projects. The awful storm that centered on Blantyre and Mulanje recently has rendered many dead and homeless. Three homes of our caregivers in Chifundo3 have collapsed and residents are sleeping in a local school. We will continue to help where we can. Ehnipher who features on the front cover of our first book of prayers is now, with her family, homeless and would value your prayers.

A suitcase is in the McIntyre Suite for a number of weeks for your donations of old and new children's clothes as well as stationery items.

The Team will take them out in July” (Sheena Stewart)

APRIL DUTY ROTAS

KIRK SESSION – Maureen Mulligan, David Gillespie, Robert Oliver, Gordon Dunlop and Barbara Dunlop.

CONGREGATIONAL COMMITTEE – Ruth Hill, James McCormick, Ivan Taylor, Dorothy Elliott, Peter Armstrong, Lauren Dalzell, Murray Dalzell and Andrew Todd.

AFTER CHURCH COFFEE BAR – (2nd) KidZone/Karen McCurry. (9th) Guides/Brownies/Rainbows/Gillian Simons. (16th) PW/Carol Ferguson. (23rd) Kirk Session/Michael Graham. (30th) Congregational Committee/Ruth Hill.

FLOWER DELIVERY – (2nd) Rebecca Clarke (9th) Mirium Sheppard. (16th) Easton Family. (23rd) Sharon and Myke Hall. (30th) Lawrence Keys.

THURSDAY EVENING DOOR DUTY – (20th) Joan and Malcolm Taylor (27th) Rosemary Patton.



WEEKLY NEWS SHEET

26th March 2023

The Fifth Sunday in Lent

Passion Sunday

'Behold the lamb of God, that taketh away the sins of the world'

John 1:19

'He was despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief'

Isaiah 50:6

MORNING SERVICE at 11.00 a.m in the Church

Rev Edward McKenzie and the Church Choir

Theme: 11th Favourite Hymn - 'As the deer pants for the water'

Scripture Readings Hebrews 6: 13-20 and Psalm 42:

EVENING CHORAL SERVICE at 7.00 p.m. in the Church

Rev McKenzie and the Church Choir

Theme: 'The Temple'

Scripture Readings: Hebrews 7: 1-10 and Psalm 17

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