



PALM SUNDAY



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. We are delighted to welcome back to Cregagh this morning, Rev Dr Jim Campbell who is deputising, at very short notice, due to Rev McKenzie having to isolate with Covid.

** 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 collection of the Offering and taking up of the Communion Tokens is after the Sermon and is announced.

** Please stand as the Elders bring the Offering and Communion Tokens to the Sanctuary for dedication, and remain standing for the pre-communion hymn.

** At the end of the Communion service please remain standing for the Recessional hymn, the Elders remove the Element, the Minister and Choir leave and the Bible is carried from church.

RETIRING OFFERING

The Retiring Offering after Communion is for the Benevolent Fund

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 flowers today provided by Mrs D Elliott, Ravenswood Park are 'In Memory of Hugh and Loved Ones'

OFFICE HOURS

There will be no 'Office Hours' until Thursday 20th April when Rev McKenzie will be in the Minister's Room from 6.00 – 8.30 p.m.,

MORNING WATCH

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

BREWS BROTHERS

Brews Brothers Men's group will meet on Tuesday from 12.30 – 2.00 p.m. in the McIntyre Suite.

MAUNDY THURSDAY

The Maindy Thursday Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be observed on Thursday at 7.30 p.m.

GOOD FRIDAY – OPEN CHURCH

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

GOOD FRIDAY - LENTEN LUNCH

A Lenten Lunch will be held on Good Friday from 12.00 noon – 1.30 p.m. in the Allen Hall. Soup, french bread, wheaten bread, tray-bakes, tea and coffee will be served.

Donations of at least £5 are requested with proceeds to the Malawi Team 2023

GOOD FRIDAY – LIGHTS OUT

The Good Friday Meditation will be held at 7.30 p.m. in the Church.

EASTER DAY

The Easter Day service will be held next Sunday at 11.00 a.m.

The sermon theme: 12th favourite hymn 'Praise my soul the King of heaven'

WALKING GROUP

A new and exciting walking group programme for the new season is available in the Church Vestibule and McIntyre Suite today. The first walk of the season will take place on Saturday week, 15th April from Helen's Bay to Bangor – leaving the church at 9.30 a.m. New walkers always welcome.

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

Sunday Morning Service will commence at 11.30 a.m.

Marathon for Malawi Interested in running a leg of the 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)

CURRY NIGHT

A Curry Night will be held on Saturday 20th May in the Allen Hall for Malawi Team 2023

AUTUMN FUND RAISING

Following the highly acclaimed success of the 'St Patrick's Night Hooley' in aid of the 'Malawi Team 2023' please keep a couple of dates free in your diary for more family fun in the autumn for Church Funds. A 'Battle of the Sexes' quiz scheduled for Friday 22nd September and 'A Movie night with a difference' is planned for Friday 17th November. More details to follow in due course. If you would like further information please speak to Elaine Molyneux.

FAMILY FUN DAY Thank you

"I would like to say a BIG THANK YOU to everyone in the OKAY team. They all work so hard. We had over 70 people at the Family Fun Day ranging from the youngest at 9 months to the oldest at 90 years old and everyone really enjoyed the event including a fabulous lunch. I would also like to thank Tesco's for their generosity in providing Jam Tarts, Marshmallows and tiny chocolate rabbits which added to the enjoyment of the day" (Maureen Mulligan)

MALAWI

"Things have been rather uncertain in Malawi because of the destruction caused by the recent cyclone. School terms have been a bit stop/go but term 3 will begin on 17th April and fees may be paid anytime soon. John Muntali will update us about this precious investment when he comes in April. Thanks again for your continued generosity. Any donations may be left in the Pence for Porridge jar or in an envelope placed on the offering plate. You are reminded that a suitcase is available in the McIntyre Suite in which to place items of children's clothes or stationery which the Malawi Team will take with them 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

2nd April 2023

The Sixth Sunday in Lent

Palm Sunday



*'Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion,
shout, O daughter of Jerusalem:
behold, thy King cometh unto thee;
He is the righteous Saviour, and He
shall speak peace unto the heathen'*

Zecahariah 9: 9-10

TODAY'S SERVICE at 11.00 a.m in the Church
Palm Sunday Sacrament of the Lord's Supper
Rev Dr Jim Campbell (Minister Emeritus of Cooke Centenary Church)
Sermon: 'Palm Sunday – No Turning Back'
Scripture Readings Psalm 33: 13-22 and Mark 11: 1-11

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