



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.

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 today provided by the Dyatt Family are 'In Memory of Ella and Sam Dyatt and Barbara.'

The Sanctuary flowers by Mrs A Watson are 'In Memory of Mum and Dad'

MORNING WATCH

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

TEA AND TALK

All are invited to Tea and Talk on Wednesday from 2.00 – 3.30 p.m. in the McIntyre Suite for an afternoon of fun, chat and refreshments.

OFFICE HOURS

Rev McKenzie will be in the Minister's Room on Thursday from 6.00 – 8.30 p.m.

OPEN CHURCH

The church will be open on Friday, as usual, from 10.00 a.m. – 12.00 noon for private prayer and meditation. Volunteers are needed for duty on several Fridays – if you can help please add your name to the list at the back of the church.

YOUTH 'BIG NIGHT'

This month's 'Big Night' for our young people will take place on Saturday from 7.00 – 9.00 p.m. at the church.

NEXT SUNDAY – Belfast City Marathon

REFRESHMENTS FOR THE RUNNERS – as has been the practice in recent years we as a congregation will be providing refreshments and water for the runners as they pass the church from approx 9.30 a.m. The road will be closed to traffic from 8.30 – 11.15 approx.

MORNING SERVICE - the Morning Service will start at 11.30 a.m. when Rev McKenzie will preach on the 13th of the congregation's favourite hymns – 'Amazing Grace' which was written by John Newton exactly 250 years ago.

CAFÉ CONNECT TYPE EVENING – Mr John Muntali from Malawi, who is running the Marathon in aid of Chifundo3 Children's Centre will bring us an update on the situation in Malawi following the recent cyclone as well as how our contributions have helped so many needy people there. This will be in the Allen Hall at 6.30 p.m. Sponsorship forms are in the Church Vestibule and McIntyre Suite should you wish to sponsor John in the Marathon.

STUDENT SPONSORSHIP IN MALAWI

A meeting will be held on Monday week, 1st May at 7.30 p.m. in the McIntyre Suite for those who currently sponsor students as well as those members who may wish to learn more about the scheme. More info from Rev McKenzie or Sheena Stewart.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

PW are having their annual Friendship Night on Thursday week, 4th May at 7.30 p.m. in the church. The Church Choir will be providing a programme of mixed choral music followed by supper in the Allen Hall. All members of the congregation are warmly invited.

CORONATION SUNDAY



Following the Coronation of King Charles III on Saturday 6th May a special service to mark the occasion will be held in Cregagh on this day fortnight, Sunday 7th May at 11.00 a.m. which will be followed by a special afternoon tea in the Allen Hall similar to that held at the time of the late Queen Elizabeth's Platinum Jubilee.

It is also the intention to have a short ceremony in the church grounds after the service at which a commemorative item will be unveiled.

Our Uniformed Youth organisations are asked to meet in the Stewart Hall at 10.45 a.m. to parade to church and members of the congregation may wear medals or decorations at the service.

To facilitate catering/numbers members planning to attend the afternoon tea are asked to sign the sheets in the Church Vestibule or McIntyre not later than next Sunday. There will be a box in the Allen Hall on the day should anyone wish to make a donation to help defray expenses.

MAY SERVICES

Sunday 7th at 11.00 a.m. Service to mark Coronation of King Charles III
Sunday 14th at 11.00 a.m. Christian Aid Service Rev McKenzie
Sunday 14th at 6.30 p.m. Evening Prayer and Bible Study (Jude)
Sunday 21st at 11.00 a.m. Morning Worship Rev McKenzie
Sunday 28th at 11.00 a.m. Pentecost Morning Worship Rev McKenzie
Sunday 28th at 7.00 p.m. Choral Evening Service – Theme: Pentecost

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 2023

Coffee Morning and Cake Stall Saturday 13th May from 10.00 a.m. 12.00 noon
You are warmly invited to CPC's Coffee Morning and Cake Sale with your friends and relations. Proceeds are in aid of Christian Aid which desperately needs funds particularly after the devastation caused in the world climate change. Home baked items would be greatly received for the Cake Stall and these may be left in the McIntyre Suite on Friday (12th) from 7.00 – 8.00 p.m.

Christian Aid Service Sunday 14th May at 11.00 a.m.

Sponsored Walks for CA Are you up for a challenge? Then have your friends sponsor you for a daily walk for Christian Aid, length of your own choosing, starting from today until Friday 12th May. Sponsorship forms available from Sandra Harper today. Please bring your money to the Coffee Morning on 13th or Church on Sunday 14th May.

CURRY NIGHT

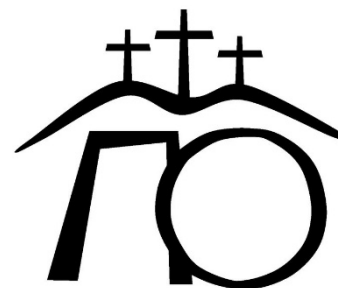
A Curry Night will be held on Saturday 20th May in the Allen Hall with proceeds in aid of the Malawi Team 2023 trip.

TEA AND TOAST

It is hoped to have Tea and Toast prior to Sunday morning services on a more regular basis but in the meantime they will be served in the McIntyre Suite from 10.15 – 10.45 a.m. prior to morning service on Sundays 14th May and 4th June. If you can help with any of these dates or future dates please contact James McCormick (07815 817411)

PUBLIC EMERGENCY MESSAGE

A message to all Smartphones across the UK will be sent this afternoon at 3.00 p.m. with a siren and will say “in a real emergency, follow the instructions in the alert to keep yourself and others safe” It will give a sound and vibration to 10 seconds even for phones on silent. Phone users will have to acknowledge the alert before they can continue using their devices. This is just a test and you do not need to take any further action. The alert system will be used in future to warn of extreme weather events, such as flash floods or wildfires. It could also be used during terror incidents or civil emergencies if the UK was under attack.



‘Remember how he told you, while he was still with you in Galilee: “The Son of Man must be delivered over to the hands of sinners, be crucified and on the third day be raised again” Luke 24: 6-7

MORNING SERVICE at 11.00 a.m in the Church
Rev McKenzie, the Young People and the Praise Group
Post Easter Youth Service
Sermon theme: ‘What makes me me
Scripture Readings: Exodus 3: 1-15 and 1 John: 1-10

EVENING PRAYER and BIBLE STUDY at 6.30 p.m. in the Church
Rev McKenzie – Study of 3 John

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