

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.

CHRISTIAN AID OFFERING

Please place your Christian Aid offering envelopes in the collection plates. There are extra envelopes available in the Church Vestibule and McIntyre Suite.

Your contributions may also be given next Sunday.

TEA AND TOAST

Tea anfd Toast were served in the McIntyre Suite before this morning's service. If you would like to help on possible future Sunday mornings please give your name to James McCormick (077969 47913)

COFFEE BAR

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

CHURCH FLOWERS

The flowers today are provided by Mrs B Anderson, Strathearn Park.

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 at

12.30 p.m. in the McIntyre Suite when Dr Cameron Ramsey will give a talk on his time as

medical officer at Linfield Football Club.

KIRK SESSION

Kirk Session will meet on Tuesday at 7.45 p.m. in the Session Room. The Business Committee will meet at 7.15 p.m. in the Minister's Room.

OFFICE HOURS

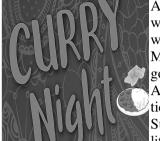
Rev McKenzie will be in the Minister's Room on Thursday from 6.00 – 8.30 p.m. **OPEN CHURCH**

The church will be open on Friday from 10.00 a.m. - 12.00 noon for private prayer.

EVERGREENS

The Evergreens are reminded of their day out to St Molua's Church Flower Festival on Friday. Lunch will be served at St Molua's at 1.00 p.m. Members will be contacted regarding transport.

CURRY NIGHT



A Curry Night will be held on Saturday in the Allen Hall with proceeds in aid of the Malawi Team 2023 trip. Doors will open at 6.00 pm and meal served at 6.30 p.m. Menu: Malawi Chicken Curry, Vegetable Curry with Chicken goujons and chips for children. $\pounds 10$ (adults) $\pounds 5$ (children) As attendance is limited to 60 you are advised to get your tickets today or early this week.

Susan Forsythe (07710 243 712) or littlesusy29@gmail.com

ASCENSION SUNDA $\overline{\mathbf{Y}}$

The Ascension Sunday service next week at 11.00 a.m. will be conducted by Rev Gary Ball (Associate Minister in Orangefield Presbyterian Church) **YOUTH 'BIG NIGHT'**

The next young people's 'Big Night' will take place on Saturday week, 27^{th} May from 7.00 - 9.00 p.m. at the church.

JUNIOR CHOIR CONCERT

The annual Junior Choir Concert will be held on Tuesday fortnight, 30th May at 6.30 p.m. in the Allen Hall. The children are practising really well so please come along and give them your support. Proceeds will be for the wide ranging work of Emmanuel Ministries Calcutta in Kolkata **MUSIC FOR A ROYAL OCCASION**



Renaissance Chamber Choir are having a concert in Cregagh on Friday 2nd June at 7.30 p.m.. Music will include pieces sung at Coronations and Royal occasions spanning many years. There will be a retiring collection on the evening. Further details from Dorothy Platt (07803 264286)

LEVEL 3 EMERGENCY PAEDIATRIC FIRST AID COURSE

This course will cover a range of CPR and First Aid skills relating specifically to children and infants, and lasts approx 7 hours. It is Ofqual accredited and is valid for 3 years. It is hoped to run it at the church on the first two Monday evenings in June (dates/times may change to suit those interested), and for those associated with the church the cost is reduced to only £30. If you are a leader that works with children or are just an interested parent, minder or grandparent, then this could be the course for you. Contact Karen McCurry for further details (07552 606550)

MALAWI

"Thank you to everyone for helping to ensure John Muntali's visit to Belfast and his Marathon run were so successful. He is safely back in Lilongwe.

Thank you too for the many contributions to the luggage appeal. We are almost at our limit! We have been asked for old phones or laptops, so if you have any gathering dust please donate them. They will be put to good use!" (Sheena Stewart) **A ROYAL THANK YOU!**

Cregagh's celebrations last Sunday to mark the Coronation of King Charles III and Queen Camilla proved to be a great success and enjoyed by all present.

The service of worship was very special and inspiring and we would thank those who took part as we met to give thanks and to pray for the new reign.

We were pleased to place a stone seat at the front of the church to mark the occasion and we are grateful to Karen McCurry for sourcing the seat and to Nigel Platt for attaching the plaque to the wall.

Then, the Coronation Afternoon Tea in the Allen Hall was a very happy congregational family event and we again thank Karen McCurry for arranging the decoration of the hall and McIntyre Suite and to her for instructing the children of KidZone in the special Coronation colouring in competition – congratulations to the children who took part all of whom were winners!

Obviously, the food was as only Cregagh can do it and we are again most grateful to Anne Graham, Beth McNair and their team of ladies who provided such a special spread which was fit for a King! Thank you all so much.

"Faith can give us wisdom to ask those long-term questions about the causes of suffering and how to address them. Faith can give us the gift of hope to imagine a world where all God's children shall live in safety, when love has no borders and no bounds" (Theology advisor – Christian Aid







THIS MORNING'S SERVICE at 11.00 a.m. Christian Aid Service Rev McKenzie and the Praise Group Sermon theme: 'Sowing seeds of justice and joy' Scripture Readings: Joel 1 and 2 and Matthew 13

EVENING PRAYER AND BIBLE STUDY at 6.30 p.m. Rev McKenzie (Jude)

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