



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 full postal address. This morning any parents with babies are invited to make use of 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 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 Minister and Choir 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 and the Minister and Choir leave and the Bible is carried from church

COFFEE BAR

The Coffee Bar is open in the Allen Hall after this morning's service and we hope as many as possible will remain behind for some refreshments and a chat.

CHURCH FLOWERS

The flowers today provided by the Hoy Family, Beech Park East are 'In Memory of George'

OFFICE HOURS

There will be no Thursday evening 'Office Hours' until further notice. Any matters requiring attention may be referred to Rev McKenzie (07809 674068)

OPEN CHURCH

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

NEXT SUNDAY

Morning Service at 11.00 a.m. in the Church

Rev McKenzie and the Praise Group. Feasts of the Israelites (Feast of Tabernacles)

Café Connect at 6.30 p.m. in the Allen Hall

Rev McKenzie – Update on Army Chaplaincy

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

PW will meet on Monday week, 6th November at 2.30 p.m. in the Allen Hall.

Richard Erskine will talk about the life of the missionary, Gladys Alyward.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

The Service of Remembrance will be held on this day fortnight, 12th November at 10.45 a.m. Wreaths will be laid on both War Memorials. The service will be conducted by Rev McKenzie. Uniformed organisations should please meet in the Allen Hall at 10.30 a.m. before parading into church.

The Retiring Offering will be in aid of the Poppy Day Appeal.

OTHER NOVEMBER SERVICES

Sunday 19th at 11.00 a.m.

PW 90th Anniversary Service

Sunday 19th at 7.00 p.m.

Choral Evening Service

Sunday 26th at 11.00 a.m.

Morning Worship

Sunday 26th at 6.30 p.m.

Evening Prayer and Bible Study

NOVEMBER DATES

Morning Watch

Tuesday 7th and 21st at 10.45 a.m.

Brews Brothers

Tuesday 7th and 21st at 12.30 p.m.

Tea and Talk

Wednesday 14th and 28th at 2.00 p.m.

Blobs

Tuesday 21st at 9.30 a.m.

Youth Big Night

Saturday 19th at 7.00 p.m.

PW 90th Anniversary Afternoon Tea

Saturday 18th

LADIES CHRISTMAS DINNER

A Christmas Dinner for the ladies of the congregation will be held on Friday 15th December at 7.00 p.m. in Ormeau Golf Club. £10 deposit required by next Sunday 5th November. Further information and menu available from Angela Watson or Cheryl Cowling.

TEARFUND

Tearfund 'Rubbish Campaign' petition cards are still available on the pews for your use. Please complete them and place in the baskets in the Church Vestibule or McIntyre Suite. Maureen Mulligan will then deliver them to Tearfund office.

CHURCH FLOWERS

We are always indebted to the members of the congregation who supply flowers and to the flower arranging team who arrange them to beautify God's House Sunday by Sunday. The new calendar for 2024 will be available to inspect soon. Some members of the congregation may not be aware that there is a Flower Fund which is used to buy extra flowers for special occasions throughout the year such as Christmas, Harvest and Mothering Sunday; and also for the purchase of oasis, flower wire, cellophane for the weekly bouquets etc. Due to rising costs the fund is somewhat depleted and if there are any members of the congregation who would like to make a donation to the fund it would be very much appreciated.

Please give your donation to Maureen Mulligan, Joan Taylor, Kate Davey or Dennison Mahood.

HARVEST GIFT DAY

Grateful thanks to everyone who has contributed to Harvest Gift Day. The amount raised thus far is £4,221 which is a terrific outcome. Once again the Harvest Offering will benefit the Property Fund and your generosity is very much appreciated.

NOVEMBER DUTY ROTAS

KIRK SESSION – Rebecca Clarke, Avril Pollock, Dorothy Platt, Richard Molyneaux and Elaine Molyneaux.

CONGREGATIONAL COMMITTEE – Elaine Gillespie, Christine Sharpe, Carol McCormick, Jenny Mooney, Maggi Hamilton, Alan McNair and Don Jackson.

COFFEE BAR – (5th) PW/Carol Ferguson, (12th) Gudies/Brownies/Rainbows/Gillian Simons, (19th) Choir/Praise Group/Maureen Mulligan, (26th) Kirk Session/Michael Graham.

FLOWER DELIVERY – (5th) Sharon and Myke Hall, (12th) Lawrence Keys, (19th) Beth McNair, (26th) May Gordon.

HYMN 'A MIGHTY FORTRESS'

1.

A mighty fortress is our God,
a bulwark never failing,
our helper he, amid the flood
of mortal ills prevailing.
For still our ancient foe
does seek to work us woe;
his craft and power are great,
and armed with cruel hate,
on earth is not his equal.

2.

Did we in our own strength confide,
our striving would be losing,
were not the right Man on our side,
the Man of God's own choosing,
you ask who that may be?
Christ Jesus, it is he,
Lord Sabaoth his name,
from age to age the same;
and he must win the battle.

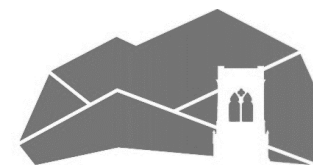
3.

And though this world, with devils filled,
should threaten to undo us,
we will not fear, for God has willed
his truth to triumph through us.
The prince of darkness grim,
we tremble not for him;
his rage we can endure,
for lo! His doom is sure;
one little word shall fell him.

4.

That Word above all earthly powers
no thanks to them abideth;
the Spirit and the gifts are ours
through him who with us sideth.
Let goods and kindred go,
this mortal life also;
the body they may kill;
God's truth abideth still;
His kingdom is forever!

(Text and Melody by Martin Luther c1531)



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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

WEEKLY NEWS SHEET

29th October 2023

Reformation Sunday



For in the gospel the righteousness of God is revealed – a righteousness that is by faith first to last, just as it is written; “The righteous will live by faith” (Romans 1:17)

(Martin Luther identified this verse as one of the key inspirations for his work)

TODAY'S SERVICE at 11.00 a.m in the Church.

Rev McKenzie and the Church Choir

Feasts of the Israelites – Feast of the Day of Atonement

Scripture Readings: !John ch2 v 28- ch3 v 10 and Numbers 29: 7-11

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