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 Crèche or KidZone for 3 year olds upwards (in the Stewart Hall) who leave church after the children's 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 hymn boards – 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"

** 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.

CHURCH FLOWERS

The Pedestal flowers are provided by Mrs Irene Millen, Cregagh Court and are 'Loving thoughts of John'

The Sanctuary flowers are provided by Mrs Eileen Allen, Orby Drive and are 'In Memory of Jim'

PRE SERVICE PRAYER

Each Lord's Day a short prayer meeting takes place in the prayer room, located in the vestubile at 10:30, all are welcome.

COFFEE BAR

Refreshments are being served in the Allen Hall after this morning's service and everyone is invited to remain behind for a time of fellowship.

UPCOMING SERVICES

Sun 18th Feb 11am First Sunday of Lent- Women of the Bible 2: Eve

Rev McKenzie and Church Choir

<u>Sun 25th Feb</u> **11am** Thinking Day Service / **7pm** Choral Evening Service- 'Lent' Rev McKenzie and Church Choir

WOMEN OF THE BIBLE

Between now and May, aside special services, we will explore a sermon series entitled 'Women of the Bible' If there are any suggestions as to which women we could focus upon and any questions you would ask them about their experiences relayed to us in Scripture, please place them in the box in the McIntyre Suite

OPEN CHURCH

The church will be open for private prayer and meditation on Fridays 10 am-12 noon **BIBLE CLASS**

Bible class, for P7 and secondary school age, continues at 10:15am and will meet each Lord's Day other than the Sundays where Café Connect happens in the evenings **COMMITTEE**

Congregational Committee meets tomorrow eveing at 7:45pm in the Session room, Finance Committee at 7:15pm in the Minister's room.

ARMY CADET FORCE

Tomorrow evening Cregagh Army Cadet Force Detatchment are holding an open night so that members of the congregation can meet the cadets and the adult leaders - to get a better understanding of what they can offer the youth of our area and church. The event will run from 7:30-9pm with a variety of stands maned by cadets and all are very warmly invited to call in.

The detatchment continues to meet on Mon evenings 7-9pm for 12-18 year olds.

TEA AND TALK

Tea and Talk will meet on Wed at 2pm in the McIntyre Suite

PRESBYTERIAN CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

During the past challenging year the Presbyterian Children's Society had many applications from families requesting help. 889 children from 451 families received grants from the society. By generously supporting this work Presbyterians express practically their commitment to children and young people, and their futures. Please support this society prayerfully in their work and there will be an opportunity to give financial support in a retiring offering on Sundays 18th and 25th February.

MORNING WATCH

Morning Watch will next meet on Tues 20th Feb at 10.45 a.m in the Session Room. **BREWS BROTHERS**

Brews Brothers Men's Group will next meet on Tues 20th Feb at 12.30 p.m. in the McIntyre Suite.

EVERGREENS

The Evergreens meet in the Allen Hall on Wed 21st Feb at 2.30 pm. Our speaker is Annie Cooke from the Salvation Army talking about her thimble collection. All welcome.

MUSICAL EVENING

Tickets for the Musical Evening on **Fri 23rd Feb**, featuring 'The Clare Chorale' and our very own Handbell Choir are available from Richard and Elaine Molyneaux. The concert will be held in the Church and will start at 7.30pm. Price including light refreshments is $\pounds 10$ and proceeds are for church funds

BLOBS

Blobs will meet on Tuesday, 27th Feb at 10a.m. in the McIntyre Suite. The hope is to begin other groups that would meet at various times to suit, if you would be intrested please speak to Rev. McKenzie

FLOWER ARRANGING FOR CHILDREN

A flower arranging class for children will take place on Sat 2^{nd} March from 10am-12noon at a cost of £5. Any boys or girls aged between 4-12 years old who would like to come and make a table centre should pass on their names to Maureen Mulligan by Sun 25th Feb, so that the appropriate flowers can be sourced.

PRESBYTERY MISSION SERVICE

Cregagh has been asked to host the East Belfast Presbytery Global Mission Evening on Sunday 3rd March at 7pm. This service will include interviews with PCI missionaires, James and Heather Cochrane (Portugal) and Gary and Mary Reid (Kenya). All are welcome.

COMMUNION

We would again encourage folk who belong to Cregagh to consider communicant membership, this is not for 'super christians' but for anyone who loves and seeks to follow Jesus. It doesn't matter if a person is 12 or 112 as everyone is different. Please speak to Rev. McKenzie if you would be intrested in attending a communicant class (or a refresher for those who are already communicants) or if you would like to chat about it informally. The plan would be to hopefully welcome some new communicants into membership on Palm Sunday.

CHURCH DOORS

In an effort to conserve heat in the church the main front church door will remain closed on Sundays until late March. Entrance may be made through the McIntyre Suite Doors. We would also request that you remember to close the Mother's Circle Doors (beside the pulpit). Your cooperation is appreciated.

FEBRUARY DUTY ROTAS

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

CONGREGATIONAL COMMITTEE – Nigel Platt, Emma Skeet, Robyn McCullough, Kirsty Diver, Margaret Maclaren, Kathryn and Stephen Glover COFFEE BAR – (11th) Malawi Working Group (18th) Youth Big Night (25th) Guides, Brownies and Rainbows

FLOWER DELIVERY (11th) Miriam Sheppard & Sheena Stewart (18th) Easton family, Christine and Heather Sharpe (25th) Sharon and Myke Hall & Dorothy Platt THURSDAY DOOR (15th) Robert McNair and James McCormick (22nd) Carol and Leslie Ferguson (29th) Pauline Gibson



WEEKLY NEWS SHEET Sunday 11th February 2024



"But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart." Luke ch2 v19

MORNING SERVICE at 11.00am in the Church Rev McKenzie and the Church Choir Women of the Bible 1: Mary, Mother of Jesus Scripture Readings: Psalm 27 and Luke ch1 v46-56

EVENING PRAYER AND BIBLE STUDY at 6:30pm Book of Revelation (repeat)

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