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), leaving the service after the children's hymn.

ORDER OF 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 ** Please remain standing until after the Recessional hymn, the Minister and Choir leave and the Bible is carried from the church

SERVICES IN AUGUST at 11am

- 3rd **Rev. Colin McCormack**, Former Rector of Clonallon & Warrenpoint with Kilbroney Parish churches
- 10th **Rev. Amanda Best** Part of our 125 celebrations, Former Assistant Minister 2003-2006
- 17th Holiday Bible Club service (followed by Picnic in the Allen Hall)
- 24th Rev Edward McKenzie
- 31st Rev Edward McKenzie

80th Anniversary VJ Day Service on Sunday 17th August has been postponed. An anniversary event will happen in early September.

SUMMER COFFEE BAR

Refreshments are being served in the Allen Hall after each Sunday service in August and everyone is invited to remain behind for refreshments and a time of fellowship.

PRE SERVICE PRAYER

Each Lord's Day a short prayer meeting takes place in the prayer room, located beside the Church Vestibule at 10:30am, all are welcome

OPEN CHURCH

The church will be open on Fridays from 10am-12.00 noon for private prayer and meditation

CHURCH FLOWERS IN AUGUST

Sunday 3 rd	<u>Pedestal</u>	Mrs E White
	Sanctuary	Mrs Beth McNair
Sunday 10th	Pedestal	Mrs A Scott
Sunday 24th	<u>Pedestal</u>	Mr & Mrs Malcolm Taylor – 'In Memory'
Sunday 31st	<u>Pedestal</u>	Mr Malvern Jenkinson - 'In Memory of Margaret'
	Sanctuary	Michelle, Hilary and Stewart Barbour - 'In Memory of
		Rev WAJ and Mrs JC Barbour'

PASTORAL COVER

Rev McKenzie is on leave from 1st-17th August. If you require the services of a minister during this time please contact Michael Graham or Rev Neil Stewart (07841 353790)

STARSHIP 125 HOLIDAY BIBLE CLUB

This year's Holiday Bible Club will take place from the 11th - 15th August. We have had very few donations so far this year and as prices are ever increasing, we would be very grateful to anyone that would like to make a financial contribution towards the cost of running the week. You can do this by placing it in the Holiday Bible Club box in the Welcome Suite, or by giving it to Pauline Gibson or any HBC leader.

KIDZONE

We are still looking for someone to take KidZone on either the 10th or the 24th August. If you could help out on either of those Sundays can you please let Karen McCurry know. Thank you. (Tel: 07552 606550)

MORNING WATCH – Will meet on Tuesday 19th August at 10.45am

YOUTH SUMMER BBQ

Youth summer BBQ will take place on Friday 22nd 7-9pm all P7 and Secondary School age folk are invited. We also welcome those who are just about to start P7 in September. Please let the leaders know if plan to come along

MALAWI VISITORS

Kenneth and Christine Nsona are visiting Northern Ireland 22nd August-9th September. They are taking the service in First Limavady 7th September and they hope to visit Cregagh on 31st August. They will be staying in Randalstown initially and then are going to stay near Castlerock. If anyone in Cregagh would be willing to host them over the weekend of 31st it would be much appreciated. Please speak to a member of the Malawi Working Group.

CALLING ALL STUDENTS!

Any of our children or young people who are starting Primary One, Secondary Education or third level education in September are asked to give their names to Maureen Mulligan or Michael Graham as soon as possible.

FLOWER FESTIVAL

We are considering possible projects using photographs from the recent Flower Festival. We ask anyone who took good photographs to send them either to David Gillespie or Maureen Mulligan. If they were taken using a mobile phone they could be sent by WhatsApp to David at 07964150960 or Maureen at 07730435377. If taken using a camera they could be sent by email to David. Thank you

\mathbf{PW}

PW will meet on Monday 1st September at 2.30pm in the Allen Hall. The speaker will be Major Cindy Stanford from the Salvation Army. New members especially welcome.

VOICES OF CREGAGH

On Wednesday 10th September we will hold a special evening to think about those who have served the congregation over the years, past and present, reflecting upon their experiences. We encourage as many as possible to attend this important event. Save the date and more information will follow.

ALL NATIONS MINISTRIES APPEAL

As a congregation we have developed a close relationship with All Nations Ministries (ANM), a Christian charity that supports migrants, refugees and asylum seekers in Northern Ireland,

and through our mission plan and outreach programme one of our congregational aims is to reach out in faith and strengthen our existing Mission links locally and overseas. We are becoming a multi-cultural congregation, welcoming worshippers from around the world, and our missional support for Malawi, India, and to a lesser extent Nigeria, continues to grow exponentially.

'Love God and love your neighbour' remains our purpose for worship and ANM have approached us, as they have other congregations, to seek our help for Reverend Hudson Kaunda, a native Malawian who is currently appealing for 'Leave to Remain in the UK' on the basis that he and his family have lived in Belfast for over 20 years. This can be a protracted process and Reverend Hudson is currently not allowed to work and has no recourse to public funds, and whilst other congregations have been assisting with house rental costs, and ANM are assisting him financially as best they can and when they can. Owing to industrial action by 'immigration solicitors' the family have had to engage the services of a Solicitor & Barrister to represent them and are facing legal costs and to date have paid for this from what little savings they had.

ANM has prayerfully requested if members of Cregagh, who might be in a position to help Reverend Hudson, could give prayerful consideration to perhaps helping him with his legal costs. We have a long standing rich and rewarding connection with Malawi and whilst his faith remains strong, uncertainty remains on the outcome of his case and this is causing his family, particularly his two children, great anxiety and distress. If you would like to help please speak to Michael or myself, or place an envelope on the offering plate marked 'Reverend Hudson Kaunda Appeal'. Thank you. Reverend Edward McKenzie & Michael Graham

CREGAGH 125 YEARS

Please pray for and support the upcoming events and services. We hope that this will be a great time of fellowship, outreach and celebration, remembering the last 125 years and committing Cregagh to mission of the Kingdom for the next 125 and beyond- spread the word and invite others along!

125 Museum

The Cregagh 125 Museum is on display in the McIntyre Suite, we are grateful for the photos, documents and items that have been brought in. Please enjoy spending time looking through everything and invite others to do so.

125 ANNIVERSARY MERCHANDISE

By now you will all probably have seen our range of 125 Anniversary Merchandise on display in the Welcome Suite. This has been selling well and will be available to purchase throughout the year, but our actual 'shop' will only be in the Allen Hall at any special 125 events or services each month. If there is ever something that you would like in-between these times, you can at any time contact me to request what it is you want. So do come and have a browse at what's on offer and get yourself a memento of our 125 years or gift it to someone else. (Karen McCurry - Tel: 07552 606550)



NEWS SHEET



'This is the day that the Lord has made, we will rejoice and be glad in it' Psalm 118:24

SUNDAY SERVICES at 11am in the church

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