



## **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

We are delighted to welcome back to the Pulpit this morning Rev Dr Harold MacConnell our Pastoral Assistant from 2014-2021.

## **SERVICES IN SEPTEMBER**

14<sup>th</sup> 11am Vision Sunday with the Praise Group

6:30pm Cregagh 125: Café Connect with Rev Erine Boggs  
(Ordained Assistant 1964-1968)

21<sup>st</sup> 11am Morning Worship- Rev Edward McKenzie

4pm Prayer and Bible Study- 1 Kings

28<sup>th</sup> 11am Morning Worship- Rev Edward McKenzie

## **CAFÉ CONNECT AND CHORAL SERVICES**

To encourage a greater turnout at the Prayer and Bible study and evening worship, from Sept, we are moving to alternating our evening services between Café Connect and Choral worship on a monthly basis. This will mean that there will be two Sunday evenings each month instead of three. More information will follow on Vision Sunday.

## **COFFEE BAR**

Refreshments are being served in the Allen Hall after this mornings service 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**

The Church flowers are provided by Mrs Angela Watson and are 'In memory'

## **CREGAGH ARMY CADET FORCE**

Cregagh ACF begins training again on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> Sept 7-9pm. All young people, boys and girls, in year 9 and up are welcome to join. The ACF offers exciting opportunities to learn

new skills, gain confidence, and enjoy adventure. With detachments across the UK, cadets get involved in activities like fieldcraft, first aid, and community work all while making new friends and having fun. If anyone has any questions please speak to Rev McKenzie.

## **JUNIOR CHOIR**

Junior Choir practices will start again on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> Sept from 6.30pm to 7.15pm. Anyone from age 4 will be very welcome.

## **TEA AND TALK**

Tea & Talk will meet on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> Sept from 2pm-3.30pm in the McIntyre Suite. Everyone welcome.

## **VOICES OF CREGAGH**

On Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> Sept at 7pm 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 as part of our 125 celebrations.

## **GIRL GUIDES**

Guides will start back on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> Sept, meeting from 6.30-8.00pm in the Allen Hall. Looking forward to starting our new guiding year. All girls between the age of 10-14 will be made most welcome.

## **BOYS BRIGADE**

BB will start back on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> Sept in the Methodist Church as follows:- Anchor Boys P1-P4 6.30pm-7.30pm, Junior Section P5-P7 6.30pm-7.45pm, Company Section Secondary School Age 7.30pm-9.30pm. Please spread the word and encourage those with boys of these age groups to send them along. We especially need new boys for the Anchor Boy section and would ask for the congregation to think of those they could invite

## **BREWS BROTHERS**

Brews Brothers Men's Group resumes on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> Sept at 12:30pm in the McIntyre Suite. New members welcome!

## **KIRK SESSION**

The next meeting of Kirk Session will take place on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> September at 7:45pm in the Session room. The Business Committee will meet in the Minister's room at 7:30pm.

## **EVERGREENS**

The Evergreens resume on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> Sept at 2.30 pm when we are doing armchair aerobics with Jim Bailey. All welcome to join us in the Allen Hall.

## **BIBLE CLASS**

Bible Class for P7 and Secondary School age young people kicks off again on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> Sept at 10:15am we look forward to a new season of thinking about our faith together

## **YOUTH BIG NIGHT**

The next Youth BIG Night for P7 and Secondary School age young people will take place on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> Sept 7-9pm. Please let the leaders know if you can come along.

## **SAFEGUARDING TRAINING**

The following venues and dates are available for anyone working with children who needs to update their training- East Belfast Presbytery at 1<sup>st</sup> Holywood on 15<sup>th</sup> Sept, South Belfast

Presbytery at Saintfield Road on 23<sup>rd</sup> Sept, Assembly Buildings 24<sup>th</sup> Sept. All starting at 7:30pm. Please contact Joan Taylor at [joanjtaylor@hotmail.com](mailto:joanjtaylor@hotmail.com) to book a place.

### COMMUNION TOKENS

At a recent meeting of Kirk Session it was agreed that communion tokens would no longer be delivered to members homes by the church elders. Instead, tokens will be available for collection from the church vestibule during the two weeks prior to each communion service. In accordance with PCI guidelines, the Kirk Session is required to review the Communion Roll periodically. As part of this process, consideration may be given to removing the names of members who have not participated in communion within the past three years. It is recognised, however, that there are important mitigating circumstances to be taken into account, such as illness, being housebound or studying abroad to mention but a few.

Members are encouraged to take part in the Sacrament of The Lord's Supper, which is celebrated on five occasions throughout the year.

### DIAMOND CONGRATULATIONS

Best wishes and warmest congratulations to Jean and George Morrow who celebrated their 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September. Jean and George were married here in Cregagh by the late Reverend Arthur Barbour.

### SPONSORED SLIM

For health reasons a few of us have decided that we need to lose weight and get fitter and we hope to do a sponsored slim with all proceeds going to Emmanuel Ministries Calcutta. If anyone would like to sign up to join us in our efforts, please speak to Maureen Mulligan. Details regarding sponsorship will follow.

### HARVEST DECORATION

This is a reminder for all organisations who have agreed to decorate a windowsill in the Church for the Harvest. The organisations are; Session, Committee, Guides, Brownies, BB, PW, Evergreens, Church Choir, Praise Group, Bells, Tea and Talk and the Brews Brothers.

### 125 ANNIVERSARY PAGEANT

Not long now until our Pageant makes it to the stage on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> Oct at 7.30pm in the Allen Hall. So come along and enjoy a night of Nostalgic entertainment put on by the people of Cregagh for the people of Cregagh. This variety show will hopefully be one of the highlights of our 125 Anniversary year and with tickets only costing £5 each, it's an event not to be missed. Tickets are available from today and can be obtained from Beth McNair (Tel: 07779 925079) who will have her Box Office open at the coffee bar in the Allen Hall after church.

### 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! The Cregagh 125 Museum is on display in the McIntyre Suite, 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 contact me to request what it is you want. (Karen McCurry - Tel: 07552 606550)



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YEARS  
1900-2025

## WEEKLY NEWS SHEET Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2025



*'I am the Alpha and  
Omega says the Lord God  
who is and who was and  
who is to come, the  
Almighty **Revelation 1:8***

MORNING WORSHIP at 11am in the church  
Rev Edward McKenzie and Rev Dr Harold MacConnell

Theme: 'An unchanging God in a changing world'  
Readings: Psalm 90 v1-10 and Hebrews 13 v1-9

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