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"
- **This morning 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 as the Choir leave and the Bible is carried from the church.

As part of our 125 celebrations we are delighted to welcome Linda Beattie, PW President

BAPTISM

Today as a church family we are pleased to celebrate the performing of the sacrament of baptism for MAUREEN HURNDALL and pray God's richest blessings upon her

COFFEE BAR

The Coffee Bar is open in the Allen Hall after this mornings service. Everyone is invited to stay for a cuppa and a further 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

FLOWERS

The Pedestal flowers are provided by 'Presbyterian Women'

The Sanctuary flowers are provided by Stephen, Brian and Hilary Smith and are 'In Loving Memory of Mum and Dad'

SUPPORT FOR FLOURISH NI – FOOD BANK APPEAL

Flourish NI is a Christian organisation based on Botanic Avenue that provides vital support to all victims of human trafficking —. The items most needed are: **Tea & coffee: Tinned foods: Instant noodles: Rice: Cooking oil: Tuna & sardines: Toilet rolls:** Any contributions, big or small, will make a real difference to those in need. Thank you for your generosity and support (Michael Graham)

BELFAST HOMELESS SERVICES CHRISTMAS APPEAL

As Christmas approaches our thoughts are drawn to those less fortunate. The homeless and the vulnerable. Reaching out to others in need is an essential component of our mission plan and whilst we already have a relationship with 'Flourish' and their food bank appeal, please consider supporting 'Belfast Homeless Services', (BHS) a cross community voluntary led

registered charity which provides a 'drop in' facility for vulnerable and homeless people in our capital city. Based in King Street, it provides guests with clothing, sleeping bags, toiletries, and a bite to eat. They also offer advice, guidance and support to those in need. BHS has launched its Christmas appeal and would welcome donations of the following: Toothbrushes & toothpaste; Deodorants; Socks; Hats, scarves, gloves; Baby wipes; Shampoo/Conditioner/body wash; and sweets and chocolate;

If you would like to support this most worthy charity, please leave any of the above in the box provided in the McIntyre Suite. The closing date for donations is Sunday 7th December. If you want any further information please speak to Elaine Molyneaux.

BLOBS

Next meetings- Blobs 1 Tue 18th Nov 9:30am, Blobs 2 Tue 25th Nov 7:30pm.

BIBLE STUDY GROUP

The next meeting of the Wednesday Bible Study Group will be on Wednesday 19th November at 10.30 a.m. in Robyn McCullough's house. New comers are most welcome.

WALKING GROUP

The walking group are meeting at church at 11 am on Saturday 22nd Nov for a short walk in Ormeau Park. Anyone welcome to join us

MORNING WATCH

Morning Watch will next meet on Tuesday 25th November at 10.45am.

TEA AND TALK

Tea and Talk will next meet on Wednesday 26th November from 2-3.30pm in the McIntyre Suite.

LOVE FOR LIFE

Instead of Big Night this month we look forward to a special evening with 'Love for Life' on Saturday 29th November. Young people 11-18 are invited to 'i-click'. This interactive session will create space to reflect on how they act online and empower them to get the most out of their experience. As well as being encouraged to prioritise their mental and emotional wellbeing, young people will be challenged to set healthy and realistic boundaries that will inform what they share and how they treat people online.

CHRISTMAS WREATH OR SWAG EVENING – 5TH DECEMBER

There are still a few places available, so if you wish to come please speak to Maureen. The evening will cost £15 for tuition and this money will go to Emmanuel Ministries Calcutta.

I will get a variety of items to be included in the designs and these will be available for purchase on the night at the wholesale price. I do not make any money from the evening but it is an opportunity to raise some Funds for EMC.

LADIES CHRISTMAS DINNER

Ladies attending the Christmas Dinner are asked to confirm their Menu choice and the balance payment should be paid to Angela or Cheryl today.

EVERGREENS

The Evergreens are reminded of their afternoon to Cameron's Garden Centre on Wednesday 19th November. Members will be contacted regarding transport.

INSPIRE MAGAZINE

Inspire Magazine is for women of all ages in the congregation and for PW members. It is full of very interesting articles relevant to women of today. The annual subscription is £10.00 for four magazines which represents excellent value. Any new subscribers or anyone wishing to change their order should contact Dorothy Platt (07803264286) before the end of November.

2026 CALENDAR

We have ordered some Calendars for 2026 showing photographs of some of the arrangements from the Flower Festival that we held in May. These should be available next week priced at £5 each. What a great opportunity to buy some as Christmas presents for family and friends as well as one for yourself. Proceeds from the sale of the Calendars are for Church Funds.

UPCOMING SERVICES

Sunday 23rd November – BB Celebration Service at 11am

This special service is being organised to commemorate the work of The Boys' Brigade. This will take into account our former company, the 70th Belfast, and also more recently, the 25th Belfast Company which we now share alongside our Methodist friends. Boys are asked to turn out **in uniform and old boys to wear their lapel pins**. The Chief Executive of the Belfast Battalion of The Boys' Brigade, Mr Paul McCarroll, will also be taking part in the service.

<u>Sunday 30th November – Music and Readings for Advent at 11am</u>

DATES FOR THE DIARY

<u>Wednesday 3rd December</u>— 'Grill the Godsquad' outreach evening at 7pm. Everyone is invited to a special evening, where a panel of ministers will be as ready as possible to take questions from the audience. Come along, bring someone with you, and give them a grilling!

<u>Sunday 7th December</u> 125 Anniversary Service followed by lunch. We look forward to a full church for this special service.

<u>Sunday 14th December</u> 11am Kidzone Christmas Tree Gift Service /4pm Carols in the Carpark **THANK YOU!**

Rev McKenzie would like to express his sincere thanks for the gifts, cards and good wishes he received for his recent 'Big' birthday! Each one was very much appreciated.

NOVEMBER DUTY ROTAS

<u>KIRK SESSION</u> Rebecca Clarke, Avril Pollock, Dorothy Platt, Richard Molyneaux, Elaine Molyneaux

<u>COMMITTEE</u> Heather Sharpe, Carol McCormick, Jenny Mooney, Maggi Hamilton, Alan McNair, Don Jackson

 $\underline{COFFEE\ BAR}-(16^{th})$ Big Night/Bible Class/Susan Forsythe (23rd) OKAY/Peter Armstrong (30^{th}) PW/Carol Ferguson

<u>FLOWER DELIVERY</u>- (16th) The Easton Family and Christine & Heather Sharpe (23rd) Sharon & Myke Hall and Dorothy Platt (30th) Helen & Eady Molloy and Beth McNair

<u>CRECHE</u> (16th) Rebecca & Thomas Clarke (23rd) Linda & Gordon McIlmoyle (30th) James & Cathy McCormick

THURSDAY DOOR (20th) Tommy & Agnes Duncan ((27th) Pauline Gibson



WEEKLY NEWS SHEET Sunday 16th November 2025 'Presbyterian Women'



MORNING WORSHIP at 11 am in the church Linda Beattie- PW President and PW members

Theme: 'God, ever present'
Readings: Psalm 46 & Romans ch8 v31-39

PRAYER AND BIBLE STUDY 4PM Study: 1 Chronicles

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