



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

ORDER OF SERVICE

This morning we are delighted to have members of the Bible Class leading the Service with our Handbell Choir.

This evening we look forward to our Service of Nine Lessons and Carols by Candlelight with the Choir and Junior Choir. With special guest readers as part of our 125 celebrations. Everyone is invited to stay behind after the service for some refreshments.

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

2026 FLOWER CALENDAR

The Flower Calendar is available in the Welcome Centre for people to check their dates for paying for the church flowers. If anyone wishes to add their name to the calendar please write it in any space with a contact number and any message you would like printed in the news sheet.

FUNDRAISING EFFORTS

The money raised by the sale of the Flower Festival Calendars was £760 less the cost for printing which was £396. Leaving a profit of £364 for Church Funds.

Donations received for Emmanuel Ministries Calcutta, by the small group of slimmers, amounted to £338 before gift aid. Thank you to all who contributed.

Donations received for Emmanuel Ministries Calcutta at the recent flower class amounted to £200 before gift aid.

Thank you to everyone who played any part in all these efforts. (Maureen)

BIBLE NOTES 2026

If anyone would like to order IBRA Fresh from the Word, Scripture Union Daily Bread or Day by Day with God (written for women) speak to Barbara Dunlop

LEPROSY MISSION NI

Prayer Diaries for 2026 are available in the McIntyre Suite. Please do take a copy.



CHRISTMAS OFFERINGS

'World Development' (for PCI World Development Appeal – Hives of Hope) and 'Cregagh Christmas' (for Congregational Mission Projects) envelopes will be in the pews over the Christmas period

CONGREGATIONAL FINANCES

Members are reminded that next Sunday 28th December is the last Sunday to make contributions for WFO Property Fund and United Appeal for 2025. Books will close on 31st December 2025.

CREGAGH 125 CHRISTMAS CARDS

Why not pick up some of our new 125 Anniversary Christmas Cards to send to your nearest and dearest at home or further away, to give them a seasonal reminder of Cregagh. They are available today on our Merchandise table and will cost £4 for 5 cards. Come and have a look.

CREGAGH 125 CHRISTMAS MERCHANDISE

Some of our 125 Merchandise has had a makeover for Christmas and has now been packed in bundles ideal for Christmas gifts or has been displayed in festive packaging ready to give. All the normal merchandise is still available, but these added Christmas options could be an ideal solution for those on your Christmas present list. The Christmas Table is on display in the Welcome Suite. (card payment is available)

COMMUNION TOKENS

Communion Tokens are available from the Vestibule for those attending New Year Communion on 4th January 2026.



HELPERS REQUIRED

Helpers are required to clear away the Christmas tree and Church decorations on Monday 29th December from 9.30am.

This should only take a couple of hours and your help would be appreciated.



WEEKLY NEWSHEET

Any items to be included in the Newssheet for Sunday 28th December should be forwarded no later than Tuesday 23rd December and Tuesday 30th December for Sunday 4th January 2026.

125th ANNIVERSARY GALA DINNER

Booking is now open for the final social event of our 125 Anniversary year. Our Gala Dinner is on Friday 24th April 2026 at 7.00pm in the Grand Ballroom, Stormont Hotel. Dress code is formal and the cost is £49 per person.

To book please contact Elaine Gillespie, Tel: 07990 610918 or see her at the 125 merchandise table after church.

You can pay in full up front, or else pay a deposit of £10 per person to secure your place with the balance to be paid by the end of March 2026. Payment by credit or debit card is welcome and menu choices will be sent out to guests nearer the time.

DIRECTORY AND STATEMENTS OF ACCOUNTS FOR 2025

Organisations are asked to send their annual reports for 2025, including venue for meeting, day, time, leaders names, contact details and numbers attending to David Gillespie at d.gillespie@ntlworld.com no later than Sunday 11th January 2026 please

THANK YOU!

'On behalf of Belfast City Mission, I would like to extend our sincere thanks to the members of Cregagh Presbyterian for your wonderful generosity towards our Christmas Appeal. Your donations will bring joy and comfort to many families and individuals who might otherwise have struggled during the festive season. Because of your kindness, we are able to ensure that children wake up to gifts on Christmas morning and that families can share a special meal together. We are deeply grateful for your partnership in helping us reach those most in need in our community. Please pass on our appreciation to all who took part in this year's collection. Wishing you every blessing for the year ahead. Yours in Christ'
(William Logan- Executive Secretary)

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Wednesday 24th December 11.30pm

Christmas Eve Service

Thursday 25th December 9am

Christmas Morning Service

Sunday 28th December 11.am

Last Service of 2025

Wednesday 31st December

4pm Last Light service at Cregagh Methodist



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WEEKLY NEWS SHEET **Sunday 21st December 2025** **Fourth Sunday in Advent**



Glory to God in the highest heaven,
and on earth peace to those on whom his favour rests. **Luke 2:14**

MORNING WORSHIP at 11 am in the church

Handbell Choir and the Bible Class

Readings: Isaiah 9: 2, 6-7 & John 18: 28-37

EVENING WORSHIP at 7pm

Nine Lessons and Carols by Candlelight

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