



## **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 Pebbles crèche is available for babies and toddlers and Kidzone for children aged 3 and upwards

## **ORDER OF SERVICE**

The following my help our visitors to share in the service:-

\*\* 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 for the final Praise and Benediction.

## **CAFÉ CONNECT**

This evening we meet at 6.30pm in the Allen Hall for Café Connect. We welcome Rev Hudson Kaunda to share his story. All Welcome

## **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

## **CHURCH FLOWERS**

The Pedestal flowers are provided by The Kirk Session

The Sanctuary flowers are provided by Mrs Pauline Smyth

## **NEXT SUNDAY**

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> March at 11am – Mothering Sunday – Church Family Service

## **JOINT SESSION AND COMMITTEE MEETING**

Members are reminder of our joint meeting which will take place tomorrow evening Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30pm in the Barbour hall.

## **FLOWER CLASS**

On Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> March from 10am to 12 noon, if any young people would like to make a flower arrangement for their Mother please give your name to Maureen today. Cost for the class will be £6.00.

## **TEA AND TALK**

Tea and Talk will next meet on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March and 25<sup>th</sup> March from 2.00-3.30pm in the McIntyre Suite. All welcome.

## **CHRISTIAN AID CONFERENCE**

The Christian Aid Supporters Conference is in Carnmoney Presbyterian on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> 10.30-1pm. If anyone would like to go, see Barbara Dunlop (07752134435

## **BLOBS GROUPS**

BLOBS 1: Next meeting will take place on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March at 9.30am

BLOBS 2: Next meeting will take place on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30pm

BLOBS 3: Will have its first meeting on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30pm. This will take the format of a verse by verse bible study and will provide another opportunity for members of Cregagh to engage with bible study. It is also a helpful alternative for those for whom the monthly Sunday meeting does not suit.

## **WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY**

Wednesday Bible Study group's next meeting will be held on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March at 10.30am in Robyn McCullough's home

## **EVERGREENS**

The Evergreens will meet on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March in the Allen Hall at 2.30pm. Our speaker is Richard Wallace talking about St Patrick. All welcome.

## **25<sup>th</sup> BOYS BRIGADE PARENTS AND OPEN NIGHT**

An evening is being held on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March at 7.00pm at Cregagh Methodist Church. This event is not just for parents but for anyone who would like to come along to see and hear of what the boys have been up to during the year. The event will last just over an hour, all are welcome.

## **YOUTH BIG NIGHT**

The next Big Night for Primary 7 and Secondary aged young people will take place on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March from 7-9pm.

## **ELDERSHIP ELECTION**

From today we begin the process to elect new elders in Cregagh. On 15<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> March the congregational voters list will be published alongside voter qualifications and procedure for lodging objection or claims. More information will follow in due course

## **PRESBYTERIAN CHILDRENS SOCIETY**

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to the work of the Presbyterian Children's Society either via the retiring collections or helping the children to fill their collection cards. Any money from the cards should be returned to me as soon as possible. (Dorothy Platt)

## **THANK YOU!**

We would like to thank everyone who supported the Guides Big Breakfast on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> February. We were blown away with the generosity of everyone who took the time to come along. £816.40 was raised which will go along way in supporting our guiding

programme and camp in May. A special thank you to Armstrong Meats who supplied the sausages and bacon. Thank you to the leaders, parents and guides making this event successful. Thank you to the 125 Committee for allowing us to bring back our Big Breakfast. (Gillian Simons)

#### **SOCIAL MEDIA**

Those involved with leading meetings and organisations in Cregagh are encouraged where appropriate and where correct permission has been sought, to take photographs for our social media. These can be sent to [jamesmccormick77@gmail.com](mailto:jamesmccormick77@gmail.com)

#### **125<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY GALA DINNER**

Places are starting to fill up now for our Gala Dinner Dance on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April 2026 at 7pm in the Stormont Hotel. The Dress code is formal, and the cost is £49 per person. Some people have asked if children can attend. As this is our own private event the hotel have said that well behaved children are welcome. There is a children's menu available at £15 for those under 12 years of age, but anyone over 12 must pay the full price.

Tickets and Menu choices are now available for those that have already booked and paid and can be collected from Elaine, and for those that have already paid a deposit please remember that the balance needs paid by the end of March.

To book please contact Elaine Gillespie, Tel: 07990 610918 or see her at the 125 Merchandise table in the Allen Hall after church. A deposit of £10 can secure your place and payment by credit or debit is also welcome.

#### **MARCH SERVICES**

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> March at 11am– Mothering Sunday – Church Family Service

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> March at 11am– Guest Preacher: Rev Stephen Moore (served as Vacancy Convenor 2017-2018)

4pm - Prayer and Bible Study- Nehemiah

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March at 11am – Palm Sunday Communion

#### **MARCH DUTY ROTAS**

**KIRK SESSION**- Joan Taylor, Anne Graham, Beth McNair, Robert McNair

**CONGREGATIONAL COMMITTEE**- Heather Sharpe, Christine Sharpe, Carol McCormick, Jenny Mooney, Maggi Hamilton, Alan McNair, Don Jackson

**FLOWER DELIVERY**- (8<sup>th</sup>) May Gordon and Ivan & Lily Taylor (15<sup>th</sup>) Cathy & James McCormick and Drew & Geraldine Haire (22<sup>nd</sup>) Ian & Miriam Sheppard and Maggi & Tommy Hamilton (29<sup>th</sup>) Lynn Jennings and Barbara Elwood

**COFFEE BAR** (8<sup>th</sup>) Committee/Ruth Hill (15<sup>th</sup>) Kidzone/Karen McCurry (22<sup>nd</sup>) Kirk Session/Michael Graham (29<sup>th</sup>) Malawi Group/James McCormick

**CRÈCHE**- (8<sup>th</sup>) Jenny & Sophie Mooney (15<sup>th</sup>) Kirsty & Aaron Diver (22<sup>nd</sup>) Laura Armstrong & Angela Watson (29<sup>th</sup>) Cathryn Bailie & Janette Brown

**THURSDAY DOOR**- (12<sup>th</sup>) Gordon & Barbara Dunlop (19<sup>th</sup>) Rosemary Patton (26<sup>th</sup>) Jim Acheson



**125**  
YEARS  
1900-2025

## **WEEKLY NEWS SHEET** **Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2026** **'Third Sunday in Lent'**



*'But you must return to your God;  
maintain love and justice, and wait  
for your God always' Hosea 12: 6*

MORNING WORSHIP at 11 am in the church  
Rev Edward McKenzie

Readings: Psalm 51 and Matthew 4 v1-11

Theme: Lent

CAFÉ CONNECT at 6.30pm in the Allen Hall  
Rev Hudson Kaunda

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