

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 remind everyone that our services of public worship are placed on our YouTube channel.** 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 years and upwards in the Stewart Hall who leave the service after the Children's praise.

ORDER OF SERVICE

The following my help our visitors to share in the 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'

**The collection of the Offering is after the Sermon and is not announced.

** Please stand as the collectors bring the Offering to the Sanctuary for dedication, and remain standing for the Recessional hymn, the Minister and Choir leave and the Bible is carried from the church

Today we are delighted to welcome Rev Dr Allen Sleith (Home congregation and son of our former Minister Rev Dr Albert Sleith who served 1976-2001) to conclude our Cregagh 125 Celebrations.

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 Dyatt Family and are 'In Memory'

The Sanctuary flowers are provided by Mrs A Watson and are 'In Memory of Mum and Dad'

NEXT SUNDAY– BELFAST CITY MARATHON

Sunday 3rd May at 11.30am

We will meet for worship at the later time of **11.30am** due to the Belfast city Marathon. As usual we will be handing out refreshments as the runners pass. If anyone is willing to help out please speak to Rev McKenzie or Karen McCurry.

ELDERSHIP ELECTION

In line with paragraph 28 of The Code the named persons nominated and proposed to go forward for election to the ruling eldership are:

Thomas Clarke, Miriam Sheppard, Drew Haire, Jim Hill

Any qualified voter who wishes to object to any person named on this list is asked to lodge a written objection, giving reasons for the objection, with the Moderator of Kirk Session by 1pm on Sunday 10th May. The Kirk Session hereby give notice of a congregational meeting to be held on 17th May directly after morning worship, with the proviso to change that to a later date if objections are raised or circumstances dictate.

BLOBS GROUPS

BLOBS 3- Bible Study: Next meeting will be Monday 27th April from 7-8pm in the Dennison Mahood Room.

BLOBS 1: Next meets on 12th May at 9.30am

BLOBS 2- Current Affairs: Next meets on Tuesday 28th April at 7:30pm

125th ANNIVERSARY EXHIBITION

The 125th Anniversary exhibition will be dismantled tomorrow morning 27th April. Any members who have loaned photographs or artefacts for the exhibition are asked to collect them at the Church on Monday 27th or Tuesday 28th between 9.30am and 12 noon.

MORNING WATCH

Morning Watch will next meet on Tuesday 28th April at 10.45am in the Dennison Mahood room. All welcome.

BREWS BROTHERS

Brews Brothers will meet on Tuesday 28th April at 12.30pm when Ann McKelvey will talk about The Troubles and The Good Friday Agreement. All men with their friends and neighbours are welcome.

SAFEGUARDING

In an attempt to ensure we are up to date with safeguarding in Cregagh, we are holding another Access NI surgery on Wednesday 29th April running from 6-8pm. We encourage anyone who works with children or vulnerable adults (including any teenage helpers recently turned 18) and has not completed a check with the church to come along. A list of what to bring is on the noticeboard in the McIntyre suite. **This is particularly important for those helping out with Crèche and holiday bible club.** Any questions or concerns please chat to Rev McKenzie or Joan Taylor.

JUNIOR CHOIR CONCERT

At the Junior Choir Concert on Tuesday 5th May at 6.30pm you will have the opportunity to see individuals performing as well as singing in the choir. There will be an opportunity to give a donation at the end of the concert and Gift Aid envelopes will be available. All proceeds will go to Emmanuel Ministries Calcutta in Kolkata, India, to help with the wonderful work they do.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

The Wednesday Bible Study group will next meet on Wednesday 6th May at 10.30am in Robyn McCullough's house.

PW

PW are holding their Friendship Night on Wednesday 6th May at 7.30pm featuring Stormont Community Choir. All welcome.

CHRISTIAN AID

Christian Aid Week is 10th-16th May. You are invited to our coffee morning fundraiser on Sunday 10th May. Croissants and scones, tea and coffee will be available in the McIntyre Suite from 10.00-10.45 am. After the morning service, scones and traybakes will be available in the coffee bar. If you can't stay, we will have bags of these goodies to take away. Donations to Christian Aid can be made by card or cash. Thank you for your support. (Barbara Dunlop)

MAY SERVICES

Sunday 3rd May at 11.30am – Morning Worship Rev Edward McKenzie

Sunday 10th May at 11am – Christian Aid Sunday

4pm Prayer and Bible Study – Job

Sunday 17th May at 11am – Youth Service

6.30pm Café Connect – more information next week

Sunday 24th May at 11am – Morning Worship - Pentecost

Sunday 31st May at 11am – Morning Worship - Trinity Sunday

MAY DUTY ROTAS

KIRK SESSION Rebecca Clarke, Avril Pollock, Dorothy Platt, Richard Molyneaux, Elaine Molyneaux

CONGREGATIONAL COMMITTEE Karen McCurry, Pauline Gibson, Angela Watson, Wilma McCluskey, Laura Armstrong, Jim McCurry, Sarah Platt

FLOWER DELIVERY (3rd) May Gordon & Ivan and Lily Taylor (10th) James & Cathy McCormick and Geraldine & Drew Haire (17th) Ian & Miriam Sheppard and Maggi & Tommy Hamilton (24th) Lynn Jennings and Barbara Elwood (31st) The Easton Family and Christine & Heather Sharpe

COFFEE BAR (3rd) Choir/PraiseGroup/Bells/Maureen Mulligan (10th)

Creche/Kirsty Diver (17th) Committee/Ruth Hill (24th) Kidzone/Karen McCurry (31st) Malawi Group/James McCormick

CRËCHE- (3rd) Cathy & James McCormick (10th) Sarah & David Platt (17th) May Gordon & Avril Pollock (24th) Jenny & Sophie Mooney (31st) Kirsty & Aaron Diver



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YEARS
1900-2025

WEEKLY NEWS SHEET

Sunday 26th April 2026



*Be devoted to one another in love. Honour one another above yourselves **Romans 12: 10***

MORNING WORSHIP at 11 am in the church
Rev Edward McKenzie and Rev Dr Allen Sleith

Readings: Psalm 139 and John ch1 v1-18

Theme: 'Being with'

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