

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**. <u>We remind everyone that our services of public worship are placed on our YouTube channel</u>.** 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.

ORDER OF SERVICE

This may help our visitors during 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"

**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 and the Minister and Choir leave and the Bible is carried from the church.

COFFEE BAR

Everyone is welcome to stay behind after the service for some refreshments and a time of fellowship in the Allen Hall

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 Church flowers are provided by Mrs R Carlisle 'In Memory of Dennis'

NEXT SUNDAY

Sunday 1st November – Morning Worship at 11am

6.30pm – Café Connect - Chaplaincy Update

Please come along to support Café Connect and hear from Rev McKenzie an update on his Chaplaincy work and how beneficial this work is.

TEARFUND

Following our service last Sunday, if you didn't have an opportunity to give towards the work of Tearfund, you may still do so today. Please your envelope on the collection plate marked 'Tearfund' and please Gift Aid if possible. Thank you.

BLOBS GROUPS

Blobs 1 – *Book Discussion* – Tuesday 27th October 9.30am

Blobs 2 – *Current Affairs* – Wednesday 28th October 7.30pm

Blobs 3 – *Bible Study* – Monday 26th October 7pm

MORNING WATCH

Morning Watch will meet on Tuesday 27th October at 10.45am in the Dennison Mahood room.

BREWS BROTHERS

The Brews Brothers will next meet on Tuesday 27th October at 12.30 p.m. The speaker will be Stephen Baxter – former Linfield player, Manager of Crusaders F.C. and currently Manager of Carrick Rangers F.C. Stephen will be talking about his football career from a teenager, both across the Channel and locally and his managerial career to date. He will be answering any questions. All men most welcome.

TEA AND TALK

Tea and Talk will meet on Wednesday 28th October from 2.00-3.30pm in the McIntyre Suite. All welcome.

PW

PW will meet on Monday 2nd November at 2.30pm when a video will be shown from the 2026 PW Conference.

MUSICAL EXTRAVAGANZA

The Bugles, Pipes & Drums of the 2nd Battalion, The Royal Irish Regiment, featuring the Royal Irish Folk group 'CAUBEEN' are holding a concert at Cregagh Presbyterian Church on Wednesday 4th November at 7.30pm.

The congregation has been given advance notification to attend before it goes out to friends and families in the area.

Any member or friends of the congregation wishing to attend this wonderful concert please let Anne Graham know on 07922674647 as soon as possible.

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 – men, women, and families. As part of their work, they operate a food bank service. Unfortunately, their current stocks are running very low. They have asked if we would consider helping by collecting food items throughout the month of November.

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)

CONGRATULATIONS

Many congratulations to Susan Forsythe for receiving her 15 Years' Service award and also to Vicki Thompson for receiving her 30 Years' Service award to Girlguiding.

CHURCH DOORS

To help reduce heat loss from the church building and manage our heating costs, the main church doors will remain closed during normal services throughout the winter months, beginning **1st November**.

Everyone is warmly invited to enter through the **Welcome Centre** The main doors will be opened for special services and occasions where appropriate, including the Remembrance Service and certain Advent services. We hope this arrangement will help us retain heat within the building, reduce unnecessary energy use and steward our resources responsibly, while continuing to offer a warm and welcoming environment to all. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation

MUSIC@MCQUISTON

An evening of live music featuring Al McCreedy, Dr Derek Collins, Joanna Higgins and The Belfast Ukulele Jam. Saturday 14th November, 7.30pm at McQuiston Presbyterian Church. Free Admission. Please speak to Dennison Mahood if you are interested in going.

PRESBYTERIAN HERALD

Refer a friend offer for The Herald 2027.

If a subscriber introduces someone who then takes out a first-time *Herald* subscription for 2027, both parties will receive a £5 Faith Mission voucher as a thank you.

The closing date to receive 'Refer a Friend' submissions is Friday 8 January 2027.

Christmas gift promotion for The Herald.

If someone in the congregation would like to give a 2027 *Herald* subscription as a Christmas gift, it will include the Dec/Jan 2026/27 issue at no extra cost. It will also gift-wrap this edition, ready for the recipient to open on Christmas morning. The closing date to receive Christmas gift requests is Friday 11 December 2026.

Anyone wishing to 'Refer a friend' or give a Christmas gift please contact Joan Taylor

From February 2027 the annual subscription for The Herald will be £22.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR MINISTER'S DEPLOYMENT

When Rev McKenzie is deployed at the end of the year, Rev Robert Heron MBE, former Minister of Trinity Omagh, will cover the majority of the pulpit and pastoral ministry in Cregagh. Rev Stephen Moore will act as Moderator of Kirk Session. Elders and other members of the congregation will cover some of the minister's other duties, arrangements of which will be shared in due course.

UPCOMING SERVICES

Sunday 8th November 10.45am – Remembrance Sunday
Sunday 15th November 11am – PW Service
4pm – Prayer and Bible Study – Ecclesiastes
Sunday 22nd November 11am – Boys' Brigade Service (details TBC)
Sunday 29th November 11am – Music and Readings for Advent

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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

WEEKLY NEWS SHEET
Sunday 25th October 2026
Church Family Service

'Reformation Sunday'



MORNING WORSHIP at 11am in the church
Rev Edward McKenzie

Readings: Jeremiah ch31 v31-34 and Romans ch1 v16-17
Theme: 'The people and the word'

PRAYER AND BIBLE STUDY 4pm
Study - Proverbs

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