

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 full name and postal address.

We would extend a special welcome to our guest preacher today, the Very Rev. Dr. Sam Hutchinson (Former Moderator of the General Assembly and Clerk Emeritus of the General Assembly).

** The following may help our visitors to share in the service:

** The Processional and Recessional hymns are not announced – the numbers are on the hymn boards (those marked 'Hy', 'Ps' and 'Par' are in the red Irish Presbyterian Hymn Books, and those marked 'G' are in the Glory to God Books) – both books are in the pews.

** Please stand as the service begins when the Bible, Choir and Minister enter.

** 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 until after the Recessional hymn and the Bible is carried from church.

TODAY'S FLOWERS

The flowers today which are provided by Mrs. N. Armstrong, Rocky Road are 'In Memory of Bobby'

YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

The Youth Fellowship resumes today at 8.00 p.m. in the Sleith Youth Centre and any new members would be very welcome.

MORNING WATCH

The Morning Watch will meet on Tuesday at 10.45 a.m. in the Session Room.

MOTHERS AND TODDLERS

The Mothers and Toddlers resume on Thursday from 10.00 – 11.30 a.m. in the Stewart Hall.

EASY EXERCISE CLASS

The Easy Exercise Class will meet on Thursday at 10.30 a.m. in the Barbour Hall.

OFFICE HOURS

The Session Clerk will be in the Minister's Room on Thursday from 7.30 – 8.30 p.m.

Any matters requiring urgent attention or the services of a minister during the vacancy may be referred to the Clerk, Dennison Mahood (tel: 9079 9307) or email dmahood@btinternet.com

OPEN CHURCH

The church will be open for private prayer and meditation on Friday from 10.30 am – 12.30 pm

NEXT SUNDAY

MORNING SERVICE at 11.00 a.m. – Rev. Dr. Ron Savage. (Minister Emeritus of Stormont)

EVENING SERVICE at 7.00 p.m. – Mr. Andy Downey (Ministry apprentice in Knock Presbyterian Church and former UCCF worker). All are invited to this service but may be of particular interest to the 20's and 30's age group – further information please see Facebook or contact Louise Michael (07590214810)

CONGREGATIONAL COMMITTEE

The Congregational Committee will meet on Monday week, 16th January at 8.00 p.m.

KIRK SESSION

The Kirk Session will meet on Tuesday week, 17th January at 7.45 p.m.

Minutes/Agendas are available for collection today in the pigeon holes.

BUILDING PROJECT PANEL

The BBP will meet on Wednesday week, 18th January at 7.30 p.m.

OLD SONGS AND INTERESTING PEOPLE!

Rev. John Bell, a Church of Scotland minister of the Iona Community works with churches and communities across the globe enabling the song of God's people to come alive.

Rev. Bell will present an evening of congregational song from across the centuries and across the world, sampling and singing the familiar and unusual, on Friday 20th January at 7.30 p.m. in St. John's, Newtownbreda Presbyterian Church. Suggested donation at door £5.

CALLING ALL ORGANISATIONS!

Organisation leaders/secretaries are asked to submit their Activity Reports for 2011, numbers on roll and contact details (names of leaders, secretaries, telephone numbers and email addresses) to David Gillespie; and Financial Reports for 2011 to Dawn Johnston today

URGENT!!!! – ORGANISATION DETAILS!!

Organisation leaders/office bearers are requested to supply the following details today: Name of organisation/group, age range, frequency of meetings, % of non-CPC members.

THE CRECHE

Volunteers are urgently required to assist with the Creche – please see Margaret Thompson.

FOOD SAFETY TRAINING

Those involved in food preparation in Cregagh or the cleaning of the kitchen are requested to attend one of the Food Safety Training Courses (Monday 23rd January or Wednesday 1st February from 6.30 – 9.30 p.m.) The courses which are free will be led by qualified food personnel and a certificate and handouts will be given to those who complete the training.

For further details please contact Karen McCurry (9070 5644)

TITANIC MURDER MYSTERY DINNER

The Titanic Murder Mystery Dinners will be held on Friday 13th and Saturday 14th April at 7.30 p.m. in the Allen Hall. Please make sure you 'don't miss the boat' by reserving your tickets now as already a quarter of the tickets have gone due to a great deal of interest from non-Cregagh members. Tickets cost £20 to include a full four course meal, so do plan to come along for a great night's fun to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of the sinking of this great ship. Full information and tickets available from Karen McCurry (90705644)

LEPROSY MISSION

'The Lord is a refuge for the oppressed, a stronghold in times of trouble' "In many countries of the world leprosy is a constant reality. From time to time we receive a letter sent out by the Executive Director of TLM, which keeps us up to date and always hopes for progress in the fight against leprosy. We know that if multi-drug therapy is begun early there is hope of a complete cure. Unfortunately, the stigma attached to leprosy discourages the ones who need it most, from seeking help. This is just a note stressing the importance of the support we receive through our givings, via donations or the red or blue boxes. As the Director says, 'Your help in the past has been invaluable and acts as a channel for God's love to people with leprosy' Thank you for caring enough to keep the channel open. This year, 2011, we have collected the generous sum of £803.31. Boxes may be obtained from me at anytime."

(Joy Atkinson)

WEEKLY NEWS-SHEET

At the start of another year, organisation leaders/secretaries are reminded that items for inclusion in the Weekly News-Sheet must be submitted not later than 7.00 p.m. on the Wednesday preceeding the Sunday on which the announcement is to be included.

Late notices cannot be accepted!

THE YEAR AHEAD IN CREGAGH

February

Saturday 4th Car Boot Sale at 9.00 a.m. (and first Saturday of each month)
Thursday 16th Annual Meeting and Congregational Reunion
Sunday 19th Thinking Day Service at 11.00 a.m.
Sunday 26th First Sunday in Lent

March

Friday 2nd Lenten Lunches from 12.00 noon – 1.30 p.m. (for 6 weeks)
Sunday 18th Mothering Sunday Service at 11.00 a.m.

April

Sunday 1st Palm Sunday Communion at 11.00 a.m.
Sunday 1st Youth Fellowship Palm Sunday Service at 7.00 p.m.
Thursday 5th Maundy Thursday Communion at 7.30 p.m.
Friday 6th Good Friday Meditation at 7.30 p.m.
Sunday 8th Easter Day Service at 11.00 a.m.
Fri 13th/Sat 14th Titanic Murder/Mystery Dinner at 7.30 p.m.

May

Sunday 13th Christian Aid Service and Lunch at 11.00 a.m.
Mon 14th-Sat 19th Christian Aid Week
Saturday 26th Summer Garden Fete
Mon 28th-Fri 1st June P.C.I. Annual Meeting of General Assembly
Tuesday 29th Junior Choir Concert

June

Sunday 3rd Children's Day Services at 11.00 a.m. and 7.00 p.m.
Sunday 24th Summer Communion at 7.00 p.m.

July

Summer Morning Services at 11.00 a.m. (Evening Services to be confirmed)

August

Mon 13th- Fri 17th Summer Holiday Bible Club
Sunday 19th Summer Holiday Bible Club Service at 11.00 a.m.
Summer Morning Services at 11.00 a.m. (Evening Services to be confirmed)

September

(Organisations resume after summer recess)

October

Sunday 7th Autumn Communion at 11.00 a.m.
Sunday 14th Harvest Thanksgiving and Gift Day Services
Sunday 28th Cradle Roll Service at 11.00 a.m.

November

Sunday 11th Remembrance Day Service at 10.45 a.m.
Sunday 18th Presbyterian Womens Service at 11.00 a.m.

December

Sunday 2nd Advent Carol Service (tbc)
Sunday 16th Childrens Christmas Tree Gift Service at 11.00 a.m.
Sunday 16th Youth Fellowship Christmas Service at 7.00 p.m.
Sunday 23rd Handbell Choir Christmas Service at 11.00 a.m.
Sunday 23rd Candlelight Service of Nine Lessons & Carols at 7.00 p.m.
Monday 24th Christmas Eve in Cregagh at 11.30 p.m.
Tuesday 25th Christmas Day Family Service at 9.00 a.m.

(Dates are subject to change and other services and events will be advised in due course)

Weekly News-Sheet Epiphany Sunday 8th January 2012

"Arise, shine; for thy light has come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee....and the Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising....They shall bring gold and incense; and they shall shew forth the praises of the Lord." (Isaiah 60. 1:3:6.)

MORNING SERVICE at 11.00 a.m.

EVENING SERVICE at 7.00 p.m.

Guest Minister – The Very Rev. Dr. Samuel Hutchinson

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