

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 give a special welcome to our guest speakers today; Mr. Michael Holmes, Operations Manager for Kids Alive 'Stand by Me' and Rev. Dr. Ron Savage, Minister Emeritus of Stormont Presbyterian Church.

TODAY'S FLOWERS

The flowers today which are provided by Mrs. R. Stolworthy are 'In Memory of Mrs. E. Beattie'

LOOSE OFFERING

This morning's 'loose offering' is in aid of Kids Alive 'Stand by Me'

WORLD LEPROSY DAY

A special service to mark World Leprosy Day will be held today at 3.30 p.m. in Lisburn Cathedral where the special speaker will be Mr. Peter Hilton BTh (Hons) who in addition to being a member of TLM staff is also a youth worker in a large Belfast congregation.

JUNIOR CHOIR

Junior Choir practice will commence on Tuesday from 6.30 – 7.15 p.m. in the Barbour Hall. All children from age 4 will be very welcome.

JOINT SESSION AND COMMITTEE MEETING

A joint meeting of Kirk Session and Congregational Committee will be held on Tuesday at 7.30 p.m. in the church to consider the current position regarding our church church premises and building programme. Full attendance is requested.

FOOD SAFETY TRAINING

Over 30 people from Cregagh have already completed the recent Food Safety Training sessions organised for the church. They have proved to be both informative and enjoyable, but there are still some organisations and people that regularly use the kitchen or organise catering events that have not yet signed up for this training. As there is only one session left, we would urge anyone that falls into this category to come to our final free session on Wednesday at 6.30 p.m. in the Barbour Hall. It could be sometime before any training such as this is offered again at no cost to members so don't miss out on this chance. Both men and women are welcome and if you have not yet put your name on the list in the Vestibule, please give your name to Karen McCurry today.

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 as usual from 10.30 a.m. – 12.30 p.m. Volunteers to help with Vestibule duty during open church are required for February – May. Please see rota sheet in Vestibule today.

MALE VOICE CHOIR CONCERT

The Queen's Island Victoria Male Voice Choir's annual concert will be held on Friday at 7.45 p.m. in Holywood Parish Church (St. Philip and St. James) Tickets £10 at door.

FEBRUARY CAR BOOT SALE

The next Car Boot Sale will be held on Saturday from 9.00 a.m.

Car spaces or hall tables may be reserved by contacting Kathryn Glover (07810276546)

RE:IGNITE 2012 – 'Be the Change'

Tearfund's Re:Ignite Seminar for 2012 will be held on Saturday from 9.30 a.m. – 1.30 p.m. at the Belfast Bible College. Andy Hickford will lead the seminar – 'Exploring how faith, prayer and lifestyle can bring change locally and globally'

Tickets (£15 including lunch) may be booked by telephoning 9068 2828.

TRANSFORMATION – THE MISSIONAL CHURCH NETWORK

The PCI Board of Mission invites Ministers, elders and church members to join in the conversation of how to lead 'Congregational Change for Mission' on Tuesday, 14th February from 10.00 a.m. – 1.00 p.m. in First Newtownards Presbyterian Church.

There is no charge for this event but booking may be made at bmi@presbyterianireland.org.

ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting and Congregational Reunion will be held on Thursday 16th February at 7.30 p.m. in the Allen Hall

CHURCH RESOURCES EXHIBITION

The 2012 Church Resources Exhibition will be held on Thursday 16th and Friday 17th February at the Ramada Hotel. The various seminars include: Church Resources, Leadership, Local Community Engagement, Mission, Pastoral Care and Youth Work. Information papers and leaflets are available in the Vestibule today – anyone wishing to attend any of the seminars should please contact Louise Michael (07717452151)

PCI GOOD RELATIONS CONFERENCE 2012

A morning conference on 'building good relations' will be held on Saturday 18th February in Carnmoney Presbyterian Church. Details available at peace@presbyterianireland.org

VOTING LIST

In preparation for important voting requirements in connection with the filling of the vacancy in Cregagh, the list of eligible voters will be on display for two weeks commencing next Sunday. You will be required to check the list and any queries or omissions must be made in writing to the Session Clerk not later than Sunday 19th February. Voters are communicant members on Cregagh's Roll and are financial subscribers to the church.

SPRING COMMUNICANTS CLASSES

The Spring Communicants Classes will be commencing shortly – anyone of any age who may be thinking about becoming a communicant member of the Church should please give their name to the Session Clerk, Dennison Mahood, as soon as possible.

SPRING CLEANING – HELP THE BUILDING FUND!

For those thinking about starting their spring cleaning please remember we will have another clothes collection (includes shoes, bags, blankets, towels and belts) Also this year we will have two separate collections for bric-a-brac and books. Watch this space for collection dates

NEW YEAR – NEW CHALLENGE!

Several members of Cregagh took part in the relay race of the Belfast Marathon last year, raising a substantial amount of money for a number of charities. Would you be up to the challenge of running a leg this year for Cregagh Presbyterian? Distances range from 3.5 – 7 miles. All very achievable distances in the next few months. If interested please speak to Kathryn Glover (07810276546 or email kathrynglover@ymail.com)

TITANIC MURDER MYSTERY

Tickets are selling well for these events taking place on both Friday 13th and Saturday 14th April, but could we please ask anyone that has already reserved tickets by 'phone, to collect their tickets from Karen McCurry in the Allen Hall after this morning's service. Tickets can also be booked today or by telephoning 9070 5644. Cost is £20 to include four course meal and entertainment.

POINTS FOR PRAYER

Points for Prayer 2012 booklets are available in the Vestibule today – please take one as they are a very effective way to remember on a daily basis the work and missions of the church.

CHURCH NEWS

The Spring/Easter edition of Church News will be distributed to the congregation from Sunday 18th March. Copy of any articles/photographs for inclusion must be submitted to David Gillespie or Dennison Mahood not later than this day fortnight, Sunday 12th February.

WEEKLY NEWS-SHEET

Organisation leaders and secretaries are reminded that any items for the 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. (Written notes may be left in the pigeon hole or by email at dmahood@btinternet.com.)

DUTY ROTAS FOR FEBRUARY

KIRK SESSION - D.Watton, G.Dunlop, P.Davey, D.Platt, R.Molyneaux, E.Molyneaux and B.Dunlop (Team Leader)

CONGREGATIONAL COMMITTEE - H.Gibson, P.Gibson, J.Greer, M.Hughes, D.Merrett, W.McCluskey, D.McClenaghan, L.Michael, J.McCurry (Leader), K.McCurry(Deputy Leader)

CRECHE - (5th) D.McCune and G.Beattie. (12th) A.Pollock and D.Elliott. (19th) A.Watson And M.Sheppard. (26th) M.Thompson and P.Dougan.

KIDZONE - M.Mulligan, S.Forsythe, J.Hill, C.McCormick and C.McMillan.

FLOWER DELIVERY - (5th) J.Atkinson and E.Moore. (12th) H.Sharpe and L.Taylor. (19th) T.Hanna and B.McCluskey. (26th) S.Stewart and B.McNair

Weekly News-Sheet

Sunday 29th January 2012

World Leprosy Day

“Jesus said....Go and show John those things which ye do hear and see: the blind receive their sight, and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the poor have the gospel preached to them.”

Matthew 11. 4-5.

MORNING SERVICE at 11.00 a.m.in the Church
KidZone/Connect 'Stand by Me' Service – Mr.Michael Holmes
EVENING SERVICE at 7.00 p.m. in the Transept
Epilogue – Rev.Dr.Ron Savage

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