

# Ballywillan Presbyterian Church

*“To know Christ and lovingly to make him known”*

## Sunday 17th September 2023

10.30 am

Welcome and Announcements

### Call to Worship

**Hymn 19**      *O come and let us to the Lord*

School leaver packs

**Praise**      *Ancient of days*

Children leave for JAM

Prayers of Adoration and Confession

Bible Reading:  
Matthew 6: 24-34

Lorna Stewart

Sermon      *“Confidence through the storm”*      Donald Watts

**Praise**      *In Christ alone*

Prayers of Intercession

**Hymn 296**      *Rejoice the Lord is King*

*The Benediction*

Tea and Coffee will be served in the Link after the service. Everyone welcome.

### **Prayer Ministry Team**

The prayer ministry team will be available on Sunday mornings from **11.30 am to 12 midday** to pray with you. You can either **call or text** during that time. The prayer ministry team can be contacted at **07927292336**.

*Congratulations and a very happy birthday to Mr Bruce McKenzie who is 100 years old today.*

### **Messy Church:**

We are hoping to restart and run Messy Church again this year. If you can help out please come to the meeting after church today or contact Chris Cuningham.

### **Daily Bread**

Copies of the latest Daily Bread readings are available in the office at a cost of £5.

**Congregational Bible Readings** for the week beginning Sunday 17th Sept:

**Immerse Beginnings (IB) p 20-32 or Genesis Ch 15 to the end of Ch 23**

An audio version is at week 2 of **“The Lord kept His word.” (IB p28, Ch 21v1).**

Four questions to help you reflect on your reading are on IB p348. They are: What stood out for you this week? Was there anything confusing or troubling? Did anything make you think differently about God? How might this change the way we live?

**Autumn Connections** will meet in the Lodge Hotel foyer, Coleraine on Tuesday 19th September at 7.30pm. We will follow the Immerse Bible reading plan and use the weekly readings to guide our conversation as we chat.

### **Men's Fellowship**

Men's Fellowship will recommence on Thursday September 21st at 10.30 am in the Link for coffee/tea, followed by a talk at 11.00 am in the Frazer Room. The speaker will be from the NI Fire Service. All new members will be made most welcome.

### **Walking Group**

The Walking Group will meet on Saturday 23rd September at 10.00 am at Roe Valley Country Park, Limavady. The walk will be followed by lunch. If you would like to go, please let Sandra at the church office know so that we can get numbers for booking lunch.

### **Oasis Trolley**

The next date that food will be delivered to Oasis will be **Monday 25th September**

# Points for Prayer

## ***Please pray***

- for Frances Hume, Valerie Barron, Karen Shorter, Ronald, Mary and Jonathan Wilson & Dennis Higgins.

- for those in residential and nursing homes including - Ida Donnelly, Doreen McCrum, Kathleen Campbell, Pamela Douglas, Ruby Stewart, Jean Glenfield, Elsie Irwin, Jos Lapsley, Ian Moffatt and Eddie Flanigan.

**Moderator** | *Pray for Rev William Hayes and his team from Dublin and Munster Presbytery who will be sharing the gospel at the National Ploughing Championships in Ratheniska, Co Laois, from Tuesday 19 – Thursday 21 September. The Moderator, Rt Rev Dr Samuel Mawhinney, will be preaching in 1st Ahoghill Presbyterian Church.*

**Knowing the blessings of God in worship** | *‘May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. The one who calls you is faithful, and he will do it.’ 1 Thessalonians 5:23-24. Ask that as you worship today you may know the blessing of the assurance that you are being made holy and are kept by God.*

**Louise Davidson, deaconess, West Church, Bangor** | *Pray for wisdom, grace & strength for Louise & the ministry team as they minister pastorally to members going through difficult times. Pray for the opening of West Kilcooley on 17 Sept after refurbishment, that it will be a great day of celebration, as we praise God for his goodness in the past and the future.*

**Greystones, Co Wicklow** | *Having recently returned to their church building, please continue to pray for a clear vision to best use their building and be a blessing to the ever-growing town. Pray also that they would strive to be faithful followers of Jesus learning how to walk with God.*

**General Council** | *Pray for the staff of the General Secretary’s Department in the busyness that comes with the start of a new church session. Pray for Susan Hamilton in her role as PA to the Clerk of the General Assembly and the Moderator.*

*Pray for the smooth running of the office as the main interface with many office bearers within our congregations.*

**Training in Ministry** | *Union College is blessed to have the most extensive theological library in the country – an enormous benefit to students and researchers. Give thanks for the wise stewardship that has provided this resource, and pray for Joy Conkey & Margaret Ollivier, the Librarian & Assistant Librarian respectively, as they manage the library & support its users.*

# 17th - 23rd September 2023

## Church Diary

<b>Sunday</b>	Immerse Group (Creche Room)	7.30pm
<b>Monday</b>	Bible Study	10.30am
<b>Tuesday</b>	GB Company Section	6.50 - 8.30pm
	Connections Group	7.30pm
<b>Wednesday</b>	Bible Study	9.30am
	Coffee Morning	10.30am
	Bowling Club	7.00pm
	Back to Basics	7.30pm
<b>Thursday</b>	Men's Fellowship	10.30am
	BB Anchor Boys	6.30 - 7.30pm
	BB Junior Section	6.45 - 8.00pm
	BB Company Section	7.00 - 9.00pm
<b>Friday</b>	GB Explorers	6.00 - 7.15pm
	Bowling Club	7.30pm
<b>Saturday</b>	Walking Group	10.00am

**Mums' Night Out** will be held in Portstewart Baptist Church at 7.30pm on Tuesday 7th November.

This is an event for women who happen to be mums, and need a night of laughter, a chance to reconnect with who they are, and to hear encouraging wellbeing advice from women who get it!

Tickets for this event can be found at [cff.org.uk/mumsnight](http://cff.org.uk/mumsnight) or telephone 02920810800. More details on flyer in the Link.

**Church Office Hours:** Monday to Thursday 9.00am - 1.00pm

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