

Ballywillan Presbyterian Church

“To know Christ and lovingly to make him known”

Sunday 24th September 2023

10.30 am

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Hymn *How shall I sing that majesty*

Children's talk

Praise *Cornerstone*

Children leave for JAM

Prayers of Adoration and Confession

Bible Reading:
Romans 12: 9-21

David Gillespie

Sermon *“Love in action”*

Chris Cunningham

Praise *He will hold me fast*

Prayers of Intercession

IPH 129 *Through all the changing scenes of life*

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**.

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 24th Sept are:

Immerse Beginnings (IB) p 32-45 or **Genesis Ch 24 to Ch 30 v 24**

An audio version is at week 2 of
immersebible.com/beginnings-16-week/

“I am with you, and I will protect you wherever you go.”
(IB p 42; Ch 28 v 15)

Stephen’s Sermon on 15th Sept 2019, based on Genesis 28, is at
ballywillanpci.org/sermons

Peter Lewis has two sermons based on Chs 25 to 28 at
peterlewis.cornerstonechurch.org.uk/bible/1/genesis/

Harvest Thanksgiving Lunch

To say thank you for the tremendous support we receive from Ballywillan, the Eswatini team would like to invite the congregation for a light lunch and fellowship on 8th October after the church service.

To allow us to cater for the correct numbers, please sign sheet in link or vestibule if you wish to attend.

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 | *This week the four Church leaders have an opportunity to share with European Government Ambassadors, the churches' perspective on the 25 years of the Good Friday Agreement. Pray for safety in travel, courage and wisdom as the Church Leaders share the churches experience and for progress and hope for the future in Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland.*

Knowing the blessings of God in worship | *'Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church & in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever!' Ephesians 3:20-21. Ask that as you worship today you may know the blessing of God's ability to constantly exceed our expectations of him.*

Gary & Mary Reid (global mission workers, Kenya) | *Pray that the Holy Spirit will work mightily in the lives of the Maasai people within Olkinyei and Siana, and that many will fully surrender their lives to our Lord, desiring to be obedient to him.*

Christian Presbyterian Church, Pedras Vivas (ICPPV), Portugal | *Pray for the elders, deacons and all in leadership roles during this time of transition in the life of the congregation, and that God would lead them to the right person to become their new pastor.*

Social Witness recruitment | *Staffing is one of the most important factors in the delivery of high-quality care throughout our residential and nursing homes. Post pandemic it has proved difficult to recruit staff. Pray for recruitment days coming up, that vacant posts will be filled with suitable, committed staff. Give thanks for staff teams across Social Witness who faithfully carry out their jobs, and may our residents see the love of Christ through such care.*

Health and Social Care | *Pray for those who work in the health and social care sector and feel under increasing pressure alongside the onset of annual winter pressures. Pray for wisdom and guidance for those making decisions in response to these challenges.*

General Council | *Remember the work of the Judicial Commission of the General Assembly and its convener, Rev Norman Cameron. The committee often has to deal with sensitive and challenging issues in the life of the Church. Pray for the ministers and elders, men and women who comprise its membership.*

24th - 30th September 2023

Church Diary

Sunday	Immerse Group (Creche Room)	7.30pm
Tuesday	GB Company Section	6.50 - 8.30pm
Wednesday	Bible Study	9.30am
	Coffee Morning	10.30am
	Bowling Club	7.00pm
	Congregational prayer time	7.30pm
Thursday	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
Friday	GB Explorers	6.00 - 7.15pm
	Bowling Club	7.30pm
Saturday	Elders' Prayer time	8.00am

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 or telephone 02920810800. More details on flyer in the Link.

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

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