

Ballywillan Presbyterian Church

"To know Christ and lovingly to make him known"

Sunday 18th May 2025
10.30 am

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

IPH 49 *Summer suns are glowing*

Prayers of Adoration and Confession

Children's talk

Family Praise *Ask, seek, knock*

Children leave for JAM & BREAD

Bible Reading:
Philippians 3: 12 - 4: 1

Liz Houston

Praise *Knowing You*

Sermon *"Keep on running"* Gordy McCracken

Praise *Goodness of God*

Prayers of Intercession

Hymn 437 *Love divine, all loves excelling*

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**.

Messy Church

Messy Church is back! We'd love you to join us today, 18th May from 3:30-6pm for Messy Church. We have lots of fun activities, crafts, songs, a meal together and much more planned as we explore who Jesus is through the "I Am" statements in John.

Christian Aid Week

If you wish to contribute to Christian Aid, please place your envelope on the collection plate in this or any other church plate over the following weeks. Thank you for your continued support,
Sandra Carruthers

MTT

This week at MTT we are making pizzas in the church halls. If you are in P7 or post primary education, we'd love to you join us for a fun evening as we head into our summer term.

Walking Group

The next walk will be on Monday 19th May. We will meet at Portballintrae car park at 7.00pm for a walk to the Giant's Causeway.

Ladies' Friendship Group

The Ladies' Friendship Group will meet again at 2.00pm on Tuesday 27th May when refreshments will be provided. Everyone welcome as always.

Holiday Bible Club

This summer, our Holiday Bible Club will be running each morning from the 21st-25th July. If you can help out in any way, either with crafts, games, refreshments, stories, memory verses, or in any other way we'd love to hear from you. Please either contact Chris or add your name to the lists in the Vestibule or Link areas.

Points for Prayer

Please pray:

- for Frances Hume, Billy Hook, Raymond deZeeuw, Ronald & Jonathan Wilson & Dennis Higgins.

- for those in residential and nursing homes including - Ida Donnelly, Jim Clarke, Doreen McCrum, Kathleen Campbell, Pamela Douglas, Ruby Stewart, Irene Hosier, Elizabeth Greer, Betty McCaughern, Marie Bradley, Mary Adams and Ian Moffatt.

Moderator | *Pray for the Moderator as he travels to Berlin to attend the European Congress as one of 1,000 delegates focusing on evangelism in Europe. This is a once every 25 years event and is run by the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association.*

Answering God's invitation to worship | *'Come, all you who are thirsty, come to the waters; and you who have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without cost'. Isaiah 55:1. Ask God to help us freely find all we need in him as we worship today.*

Diane Cusick, global mission worker, Zambia | *Please pray for Diane who has returned to Ireland on leave following a busy work schedule. Pray that she would know good health and enjoy quality rest and refreshment during this time.*

Presbyterian Church of East Africa (PCEA), Kenya | *Please remember Rt Rev Patrick Thegu Mutahi, Moderator of the Presbyterian Church of East Africa, whose wife, Winnie Wanjiru, passed away recently. Pray that God would comfort and sustain Rt Rev Mutahi, together with his family circle, and the wider PCEA family during this time of bereavement.*

Heather McCracken, deaconess, healthcare chaplaincy | *Pray for hospital staff at the bedside, in the wards, in the corridors, at the computer, that they would be given patience, skill and compassion. Pray also for hospital chaplains working in busy hospital wards, that they would be strengthened by God's love to bring blessing to those they encounter.*

Bereavement | *Pray for those known to us who are bereaved and coping with grief. Pray as they mourn a loved one, that God will hold them close to him and they will feel his loving arm around them. Remember those at various stages in life after suffering a loss – shock, disbelief, confusion, depression, anger and acceptance. Give thanks for the support of loving friends and family, and the comfort of God's presence.*

Special Educational Needs & Disabilities | *Give thanks for opportunities for children and young people with additional needs to receive appropriate education provision. Pray for school leaders, teachers, assistants and support staff in these educational settings as they seek to provide opportunities for pupils to flourish and thrive.*

Church Diary

18th - 24th May 2025

Sunday	MTT	7.30pm
Wednesday	Coffee Morning	10.30am
	Wellness Hub	11.00am - 1.00pm
	Outreach Committee meeting	7.30pm

Oasis Trolley

The next date that food will be delivered to Oasis will be
Tuesday 27th May.

*Our service from Ballywillan is broadcast live every Sunday.
Please be aware that your image may be captured on screen.*

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

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