

Ballywillan Presbyterian Church

“To know Christ and lovingly to make him known”

Sunday 27th July 2025

Holiday Bible Club Service at 10.30 am

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Hymn 346 *O Lord Thou art my God and King*

Prayer of Adoration and Confession - Summer Soul

Memory verse - Katie Laverty

Family Praise *Faith as small as a mustard seed* (video)

Bible Reading:

Matthew 14: 22-33

Summer Soul

Quiz: Lorna and Wesley

Praise *In Christ alone*

Talk *“Keeping our eyes on Jesus”* Chris Cunningham

Praise *His mercy is more*

Prayers of Intercession - Summer Soul

Hymn 481 *Stand up, stand up for Jesus*

The Benediction

Please join us for ice cream tea and coffee in the main hall 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**.

Gift Aid Envelopes for visitors

If you are a visitor to our church and would like to gift aid your offering, please use the envelopes in the Link and Vestibule.

Walking Group

The next walk will be on Monday 28th July. We will meet at the Lodge Hotel for a walk in Mountsandel forest.

Immerse Prophets (IP), which we intend to use for our **Congregational Bible Readings** beginning in September this year, groups the Old Testament prophets into four historical periods: the prophets who spoke before the fall of Israel's northern kingdom (Amos, Hosea, Micah, Isaiah), before the fall of the southern kingdom (Zephaniah, Nahum, Habakkuk), around the time of Jerusalem's destruction (Jeremiah, Obadiah, Ezekiel), and after the return from exile (Haggai, Zechariah, Malachi, Joel, Jonah).

Each week the suggested reading from **IP** or the corresponding section of the **Bible** will be mentioned in the Bulletin. Copies of **IP**, for viewing only, are in the Link and Vestibule today. If you would like a copy, please add your name to the sheet nearby. Copies will be available in August, at a cost of ten pounds.

THE LADIES FRIENDSHIP GROUP outing to Londonderry is planned for Tuesday 9th September when we will travel by train (as suggested at our recent lunch at the Royal Court Hotel)! We plan to visit the Guildhall, hopefully for 11am sharp, for a fully guided tour followed by lunch at Fitzroys Bistro (which will be provided) and has been booked for 1pm!

Numbers will be limited to 20 ladies attending, due to funding, so if you would like to join us please add your name and telephone number on the sign up sheet in the link as soon as possible! Looking forward to a great day out together!

Points for Prayer

Please pray:

- for Billy Hook, Raymond deZeeuw, 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 ministry of Rev David Moore – a minister in special work in West Belfast. The Moderator will be attending a shinty/hurling game in Corrigan Park in Belfast on Saturday as part of PCI's engagement with the West Belfast Festival. Pray for increasing connections and interaction with this community and for the effective witness of PCI in this part of the city.*

Resting in God in worship | *'The Lord is my shepherd, I lack nothing. He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, he refreshes my soul.' Psalm 23:1-3. Thank God for how he leads us into rest that renews our souls and ask that you may find refreshment for daily living as you worship today.*

The Presbyterian Church of Pakistan (PCP), Pakistan | *Give thanks for Rev Reuben Qamar, Moderator of the Presbyterian Church of Pakistan, as he seeks to provide godly and effective leadership amidst challenging times. Pray also for all the endeavours of the church and its pastors, not least through outreach, church planting, and in women's and youth ministries.*

Thompson House | *Give thanks for the work and witness of Thompson House, PCI's supported housing scheme for offenders. As well as providing suitable accommodation, it aims to help residents find and retain employment and to make use of opportunities for further education. It also commends the Christian faith and way of life in an open and accepting manner.*

End of life care | *As we reflect on the proposed legislative changes in Westminster, give thanks for the hospice movement, and for medical staff and others who care for terminally ill patients. Pray for politicians and policy makers that they would prioritise palliative care ensuring that it receives the funding that it needs.*

General Council | *The Judicial Commission exists to hear appeals against decisions taken by presbyteries. By their nature, these are sensitive and complex. Pray for the Commission and its office-bearers that the Lord would give them the wisdom needed as they serve the Church in this way.*

Training in Ministry | *Pray for young people as they receive their A-Level results in two weeks' time, that many will choose to study the BA Hons in Theology course at UTC. Pray that those who follow this path will be encouraged as they move from school to college, that they will find the community at UTC enriching and that they will be inspired in their studies.*

Church Diary

27th July - 2nd August 2025

Wednesday

Wellness Hub

11.00 am - 1.00pm

Oasis Trolley

The next date that food will be delivered to Oasis will be **Monday 28th July.**

Children and infants facilities

Unmanned Crèche facilities are available in our Children's Room for young families needing the use of a crèche.

During our church service we run a children's programme called JAM which happens in the Youth Room. It is open to anyone of primary school age, where there will be a story, craft, songs, games and more. Children leave just after the children's talk/family praise and can be picked up from the youth room at the end of the service.

If you require any further advice, please speak to an usher who will be happy to assist.

New Horizon

2nd - 8th August 2025

more details on website

www.newhorizon.org.uk

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