

Ballywillan Presbyterian Church

“To know Christ and lovingly to make him known”

Sunday 26th October 2025
10.30 am

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Hymn 34 *Lord of all being, throned afar*

Prayer of Adoration and Confession

Children's talk

Family Praise *Jesus take me as I am*

Children leave for JAM & BREAD

Bible Reading:
Ephesians 2: 1-10

Jane Thompson

Praise *Boldly I approach (by grace I stand)*

Sermon *“By Grace”* Gordy McCracken

Praise *Amazing grace (my chains are gone)*

Prayers of Intercession

Hymn 88 *God of grace and God of glory*

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**.

PLEASE NOTE

Donations to F.W.O., Outreach and Repair Fund may now be made via QR Code on the noticeboard in the Link.

Congregational Bible Readings this week are from **Isaiah Chs 44 v 24 to 51 v 8** or **Immerse Prophets (IP) p135 to 148**. <https://immersebible.com/prophets-16-week/> contains an audio reading at days 25 and 26. The main themes are in **Ch 49:26; IP146** and **Ch 44 v 25, 28; IP136: (1) All the world will know that I, the LORD, am your Saviour and your Redeemer. (2) I expose the false prophets as liars. (3) When I say of Cyrus, 'He is my shepherd,' he will certainly do as I say.**

At <https://www.ballywillanpci.org/sermons> there are sermons on these readings by Stephen, Revs Rob Craig and John Hannah, dated 16th to 30th May 2021, and another by Stephen on 8th May 2022.

Word for Today is available in the Link this morning for those who have pre-ordered.

Safeguarding Training

We are hosting Safeguarding training for leaders and youth organisation/clubs. The training will take place on Monday 27th October at 7.30pm in the Church. Please make every effort to attend if you currently help out in our youth and children programmes.

Operation Christmas Child - Shoebox Appeal

Shoeboxes and leaflets will be available from the office at a cost of £1. You can also cover your own shoebox if you prefer. Please remember to include £5 for transport costs.

Completed shoeboxes should be left at the Church by Monday 3rd November.

Ladies Friendship Group

The Ladies Friendship Group will meet on Tuesday 28th October 2025 at 2pm when we plan to have a speaker (Kenneth Wood) talking of folklore tales of the North Coast!

Refreshments will be served as always and everyone welcome!

Points for Prayer

Please pray:

- for Billy Hook, Raymond deZeeuw, Dennis Higgins and Hayley Foster.
- for those in residential and nursing homes including - Ida Donnelly, Jim Clarke, Doreen McCrum, Pamela Douglas, Ruby Stewart, Irene Hosier, Elizabeth Greer, Betty McCaughern, Marie Bradley, Mildred Douglas, David Shaw, Maureen McCaughan, Eileen Glass and Bruce McKenzie.

Moderator | *Today, the Moderator will be taking services in Ballinderry (harvest) and then in Maze, whose minister is the Very Rev Dr William Henry. Pray for the services & that there might be a particular sense of gratitude for all God's provision in this season of harvest.*

Worship: Respond to God | *My sacrifice, O God, is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart you, God, will not despise. Psalm 51:17. Give thanks that God accepts us as we come humbly before him and ask that experiencing his presence in worship today might better shape our hearts to live for him.*

Csaba & Ilona Veres, global mission workers, Hungary | *Give thanks for answered prayer, that the purchase of the property for the church plant in Bodaszölő is able to proceed, and for all those who have so generously donated towards its purchase and renovation. Pray for the work on the building as it gets under way and remember Csaba and Ilona, that they would know God's wisdom and guidance in all that they do.*

The Presbyterian Church of Pakistan (PCP) - Pakistan | *Pray for the 250 Christian families across five villages in the Narowal district of Punjab who have been severely impacted by the 2025 monsoon floods - their homes, livelihoods, and food stocks having been destroyed, pushing them into a critical state of food insecurity. Pray for the PCP as it endeavours to provide relief to those most deeply impacted.*

Central Belfast | *Give thanks for the recent service marking the constitution of Central Belfast as a congregation of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, under the care of the Presbytery of South Belfast and within the Urban Mission. Pray for all those involved in guiding the congregation in its next steps, including receiving people into church membership and aspects relating to finance and charity status.*

Eleanor Drysdale, deaconess, Wellington | *On Friday 31 October, a film night will be held for children showing 'King of Kings', alongside a praise event. Please pray for all who will attend these events, that they will see the light of Christ instead of the darkness of Halloween.*

General Council | *Pray for the presbytery-wide reconfiguration of ministry process which is taking place. Please remember presbyteries as they prepare their reconfiguration plans and discern different options for the outworking of the ministry and mission in their area, and as they seek to serve God more effectively.*

Church Diary

26th Oct - 1 Nov 2025

Sunday	Bible Class	11.30 - 12 noon
Monday	Bowling Club	7.00pm
	Safeguarding Training	7.30pm
Tuesday	Ladies Friendship Group	2.00pm
Wednesday	Coffee morning	10.30am
	Bowling Club	7.00pm
	Congregational prayer time	7.30pm
Thursday	Men's Fellowship	10.30am

Children and infant facilities

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

A responsible adult must accompany and supervise each child.

Portrush Presbyterian Women

Portrush Presbyterian Women are celebrating their 95th anniversary of P.W. Their service of thanksgiving will be held in Portrush Presbyterian on Tuesday 4th November at 7.30 pm and all ladies from Ballywillan are very welcome to attend.

Route Singers

The Route Singers present a 45th Anniversary concert in Ballymoney Town Hall on Friday 11th November at 7.30pm. Cello soloist - Cheryl, accompanied by Robin. Entry ticket £10

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

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