

Ballywillan Presbyterian Church

“To know Christ and lovingly to make him known”

Sunday 21st December 2025

Christmas Family Service at 10.30 am

4th Sunday in Advent

Prelude: *O come, O come, Emmanuel* Lucia & Maya

Call to Worship Lilyahna

IPH 309 *Away in a Manger*

Prayer Lucia

Drama *Nathaniel the Shepherd* MTT

Praise *Light of the World*

Reading: Luke 2: 8-20 Kaiden

Poem *S H E P H E R D S* Jam & Bread

Song *O what a glorious night* Jam & Bread

Praise *Silent Night*

Talk Gordy

Praise *In the bleak mid winter*

Prayer Isobel

IPH 340 *While Shepherds watched*

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 in the Frazer Room from **11.30 am to 12 midday** to pray with you.

PLEASE NOTE

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

Flower Rota 2026

A new flower rota is now on the Link noticeboard. If you would like to mark an anniversary or other occasion, please add your name on to the list at the relevant date and we will have the flowers arranged for you. Donations can be left in the church office.

World Development Appeal envelopes will be in the Carols by Candlelight order of service on Tuesday 23rd December and for those of you who have FWO envelopes you will find a green envelope at the back of the pack. The World Development Appeal is in aid of "Hives for Hope"

Reach Christmas Day Dinner

Reach will again be generously hosting a free Christmas Day dinner in the Kelly Memorial Hall this year from 12.30 - 2.30 pm. A Christmas day delivery of a meal is also possible. Please contact Val to book a space (07929369228). **This must be done by the end of today.**

Points for Prayer

Please pray:

- for Billy Hook and Hayley Foster.

- for those in residential and nursing homes including - Ida Donnelly, Jim Clarke, Doreen McCrum, Pamela Douglas, Ruby Stewart, Irene Hosier, Betty McCaughern, Marie Bradley, Jeanette Mark, David Shaw, Maureen McCaughan & Eileen Glass

Moderator | *Pray for congregations all across Ireland as they remember the Saviour's birth, that the wonder of the virgin birth may not be lost. "Lo within a manger lies, He who built the starry skies".*

Worship: Praise and promise | *Praise awaits you, our God, in Zion; to you our vows will be fulfilled. Psalm 65:1. As we enter a new year in worship, pray that our hearts will be filled with praise to God and that we would offer our lives afresh in rededication to him.*

Derek & Jane French, global mission workers, Spain | *Pray for the whole French family and especially that Derek would know God's healing presence and renewed strength following a time of very serious illness just prior to Christmas. Give thanks for the seeds of the gospel sown during the Carols by Candlelight Service at Bilbao International Church and for the ongoing impact of the "Why Christmas?" booklets that have been distributed in recent weeks.*

Global mission workers (GMWs) | *Please remember all PCI global mission workers as the New Year approaches, whether they are located around the world or here on the island of Ireland on home assignment. Pray especially for GMWs who have been separated from their children by many miles over Christmas and the New Year. Pray that each GMW would know God's envisioning and empowering presence as they anticipate all that a new year might bring.*

Heather McCracken, deaconess, Belfast Health and Social Care Trust *and additional duties in chaplaincy in Musgrave Park Hospital* | *Pray for all of those in hospital at this time of year, their families and those caring for them. Give thanks for the work of chaplaincy teams in the Belfast Trust area and pray that they would be strengthened and blessed as they prepare for a new year of service.*

The New Year | *As we begin this New Year, let's pray for our politicians and TDs. Give thanks for their work and service over the past year. Let's commit 2026 to the Lord and ask for his guidance and wisdom as we continue to engage in Public Affairs.*

Homelessness | *Pray for those who are without a home and have no choice but to sleep on the streets tonight. Pray that God will watch over them. Give thanks for organisations and charities that help the homeless, providing food, shelter and support. Enable us to be filled with compassion for homeless people and to look for ways to help meet their needs.*

21st - 27th December 2025

Church Diary

Sunday	MTT	7.30pm
Monday	Choir practice	7.00pm
Tuesday	Carols by Candlelight	8.00pm
Wednesday	Church office closed	
Thursday	Christmas Day service	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.

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

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