

Ballywillan Presbyterian Church

“To know Christ and lovingly to make him known”

Sunday 18th October 2020

10.30am

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Praise *Praise my soul the King of Heaven*

Prayers of Adoration & Confession Alistair Bill

Praise *Sovereign over us*

Bible Reading:
Jeremiah 7: 1-19 Angus Iliff

Sermon *“Jeremiah: False Religion”* Stephen Williamson

Praise *Create in me a clean heart*

Prayers of Intercession

Praise *The church's one foundation*

The Benediction

Please be reminded if you are coming into the church building you must wear a face covering and adhere to all social distancing rules.

Stop COVID NI App

We would encourage members of the congregation to download and use the relevant health service app for their mobile phones. Using this app, along with the existing public health measures, will help us all stay safe when we meet up, socialise, work or travel.

Prayer Ministry Team

The prayer ministry team will be available on Sunday mornings between 11.45 am to midday to pray with you. If you would like someone to pray with you during this time the prayer ministry team can be contacted at **07927292336**.

Prism Bible Study Groups

The Presbyterian Church in Ireland has produced Bible Study Material (called Prism) to help us as we get used to what is often termed “the new normal” The first two sessions were led on-line by Stephen and Wesley. These two videos are available on the evening service section of the Live Webcast page on our Church website. Our Home groups are encouraged to study a further four sessions together on-line. The material will be available on the Church website. If you already belong to a group, please contact your leader about arrangements. If you would like to be part of a group, please contact either the Church Office or Ron McCartney (70822199)

Week starting 18th October

Session 4 - Recentered - Psalm 122

Week starting 15th November

Session 8 - Reassessing - Luke 13

Week Starting 1st November

Session 7 - Reminded - James 4

Week starting 2nd December 8.00pm

Live web-cast

Session 9 - Renewed - Romans 12

Other sessions in this series can be used for individual study in weeks when the Prism groups aren't meeting.

F.W.O. and Oasis Food Trolley Collection

If you wish to leave your church offering envelopes at the Church, you can do so **each Monday fortnight**. The next date for this will be **Monday 26th October**.

Please note: The next Oasis food trolley collection will be on Monday 26th October

Operation Christmas Child - Shoebox Appeal

Please be reminded that boxes must be completed and left in the Link by **Sunday 1st November 2020**.

Shoeboxes and leaflets are available from the Church Link for £1. Items to fill shoeboxes can also be left in the box in the Link.

Points for Prayer

Please pray

- for Ruth Brennan, Frances Hume, Ronnie & Mark Dunlop, Ben Johnston, Ron McCartney, Tina Lockhart, Noel Harte, Dennis Higgins & Robin Henry
- for those in residential and nursing homes including - Ida Donnelly, Jean Fillis, Margaret McKeague, Kathleen Campbell, Pamela Douglas, Ruth Taylor, Eddie & Eileen Flannigan, Alan McCrum, Jean Francis, Margaret Dunlop.

Moderator | *Please pray for the Moderator as he takes the service on Sunday morning at Cloughwater PC, as he continues to minister to the Presbyterian church family through the weekly online service.*

Young people in worship | *Give thanks for young people attending church today. Their world is not one which encourages thought of God or the discipline of weekly routine. Ask God to equip them to live well for him and witness to their peers.*

Leaders in Training | *Rev Elias Agola from the Presbyterian Church of East Africa has been supported by a PCI grant to complete a Masters in Conflict Transformation and Social Justice at Queen's University. Pray for Rev Agola as he returns to Kenya today and applies his knowledge to the Kenyan context.*

Peace building | *Pray for PCI's partners who are working on peace building, particularly the Presbyterian Church of South Sudan. PCOSS work in very challenging circumstances, seeking to bring peace and reconciliation in a country whose short history has been plagued by civil war.*

Deaconess in healthcare | *Heather McCracken is a deaconess in the Belfast Health and Social Care Trust. She asks us to pray for healthcare workers in hospitals and hospices, that God would give them strength for each day and foresight as they make decisions.*

- Pray for peace in the healthcare system in the midst of the unknown and that Heather and others working in healthcare would be able to share the hope of Christ with staff and patients.

Global mission workers: Kenya | *The Cowans are based in Tuum, Kenya and the Reids in Olkinyei, Kenya. Give thanks for the ongoing support of their ministry in these areas and pray that many more people will experience God's love and power.*

Social Witness | *Pray for all residents and staff in our Social Witness homes and units as they cope with the stress of regular Covid-19 testing. Pray for the Senior Staff Team as they deal with the additional workload generated by new procedures and guidelines.*

Public Affairs | *Pray for those involved in the Council as they continue to contribute to important, ethical, public square issues that are ongoing – such as the Dying with Dignity Bill in the Oireachtas – now going to Committee stage.*

General Council | *Please pray for the work of the General Council Business Committee as they are faced with difficult decisions as to how to progress the life and work of PCI in challenging circumstances.*

Dean of Ministerial Studies and Development | *Give thanks for the service that David Allen has given over 5½ years as Dean. Pray for him as he prepares to take up the position of Deputy Clerk on 1 November.*