



Portstewart Presbyterian Church

Registered Charity in N.I. (NIC105562)
Website: www.portstewartpresbyterian.org

Welcome

Good morning and welcome to Portstewart Presbyterian Church.

This announcement sheet is designed to keep you up to date with church life. Our Minister is **Stuart Morrow**, and he is available if you need to speak with him after the service or at another time.

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PRAYERTIME before worship in the Creche Room 9.45 – 10.10 am

What's happening 2nd to 8th April 2023 ***PALM SUNDAY***

Sunday Youth Fellowship 6.30 pm Church Hall

Monday Bowling Club 7.00 pm Church Hall

Thursday Bowling Club 7.00 pm Church Hall

Friday GOOD FRIDAY WALK OF WITNESS starting at **11.00 am** on the Harbour Hill then walking along the Promenade, stopping at intervals for bible readings and prayer led by the clergy. Please join us on this Walk of Witness.

GOOD FRIDAY COMMUNION SERVICE in the Church at 7.30 pm



Please remember the food bank in the vestibule.

What's happening next Sunday
6.00 am DAWN SERVICE on the Harbour Hill followed by breakfast at Burnside Church

10.30 am EASTER MORNING CELEBRATION SERVICE
(including a Baptism)

Welcome Rota

April **Arnold Brown**, Rosie King, Samantha McPeak, Neil Pierce,
Julia Ross, Julie Watters

Creche Rota

2nd April Karen Scott and Pauline Pierce

9th April Rita McVeigh and Dorothy Lynch

Flowers

The church flowers today were kindly donated
by the Beck family

Treasure Hunters

April Julia Ross and Jade Walker

Tea and coffee will be served in the Link after the morning service

Other Notices

HELP WITH STEWARDING IN CHURCH There are five stewarding teams who each are on duty once every five months. Some of these teams are now short of members. The main duties are welcoming people (especially visitors) as they come into church. They also help with the collection. We are hoping for volunteers to fill these vacancies. If you think you can help please contact Derrick Turbitt on 028 70833963.

CAMEO meets on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month. The next meeting is this **Thursday 6th April** from 2.30 – 4.00 pm in the Centenary Room.

PASTORAL CARE If you know of anyone who is ill or in hospital please contact Stuart with their name and details.

CHURCH AUCTION Saturday 15th April at 12.00 noon

Auction items can be delivered to the Church Hall

Monday 10th – Wednesday 12th April 2.00 – 5.00 pm and 7.00 – 9.00 pm.
They will **not** be accepting large items of furniture e.g wardrobes or beds.

Any smaller items e.g chairs must have the original fire retardant label attached.

EASTER: CONFIDENCE, HOPE AND POWER



Bible in a year

Monday	2 Samuel 17-19,	Psalms 23: 1-6,	Proverbs 20: 11
Tuesday	2 Samuel 20-22,	Psalms 24: 1-10,	Proverbs 20: 12
Wednesday	2 Samuel 23-24,	Psalms 25: 1-15,	Proverbs 20: 13-14
Thursday	1 Kings: 1-2,	Psalms 25: 16-22,	Proverbs 20: 15
Friday	1 Kings: 3-5,	Psalms 26: 1-12,	Proverbs 20: 16-18
Saturday	1 Kings: 6-7,	Psalms 27: 1-6,	Proverbs 20: 19
Sunday	1 Kings: 8-9,	Psalms 27: 7-14	Proverbs 20: 20-21

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Points for Prayer

This is **Holy Week**. We will use scripture to pray through the last days before Jesus Crucifixion.

Monday 3rd April

After the events of **Palm Sunday** Jesus went back into the city of Jerusalem on the **Monday**. It was during this visit the Jewish leaders began to question his authority. (**Read Mark 11: 27-33**) Pray that we as individuals and as a church would recognise and submit to Jesus' authority.

Tuesday 4th April

The **Tuesday** of Holy Week was the last day in which Jesus openly taught in the temple and in the city. John in his gospel tells us that many, including some of the leaders, believed in him but would not openly say so because of fear of the pharisees. (**Read John 12: 37-50**) Pray for a willingness and boldness to openly confess Jesus this Easter.

Wednesday 5th April

On the **Wednesday** of Holy Week **Mary** broke open her bottle of expensive perfume and anointed Jesus' feet in the house of **Simon the Leper** (**Read Matthew 26: 6-16**). Consider ways in which we can give that same type of worship to Jesus. What is today's equivalent of anointing Jesus' feet? Ask God to reveal how we should be worshipping him.

Thursday 6th April

Maundy Thursday is the day when Jesus washed the disciples' feet and celebrated the last supper with his disciples. (**John 13: 1-17**) Jesus told his disciples *Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet*. How can we serve our neighbours? Pray that we would have the same servant's heart as Jesus and so follow his example.

Friday 7th April

(**Read Luke 23: 26-43**) *Jesus said, 'Father forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing.'* This is **Good Friday**. There is much to celebrate, we are forgiven, our debt is paid, the curtain is torn, and we are united with our Father in heaven. **Rejoice in the Lord always, and again I say rejoice!**

Saturday 8th April

Saturday, the forgotten day. The Chief priests remembered Jesus promise to rise from the dead on the third day and so they asked for the tomb to be guarded. (**Matthew 26: 62-66**) Thank God for the certainty that Jesus did die for us. The price is paid, death is conquered!

Sunday 9th April

He is not here, he has risen! Read Matthew 28: 1-10 and rejoice in the empty tomb! Jesus Christ is Risen Today!



COST of LIVING

INFORMATION EVENT

Thursday 6th April 2023 | 9.30am - 1.00pm
BALLYWILLAN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Help | Advice | Support

Discussing financial support and managing on a budget, with speakers from Make the Call, Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council and Christians Against Poverty (CAP). Join us for an informative morning, starting with tea and coffee, and finishing with a soup and wheaten bread lunch.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION,
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