



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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Please remember the
food bank in the
vestibule.

PRAYERTIME before worship in
the Creche Room 9.45 – 10.10 am

EASTER SUNDAY

Christ is Risen Indeed He is Risen!

*We welcome you all to our Easter morning
Celebration and a special welcome to the
Burnett family on the occasion of the baptism
of their daughter Lily*

**What's happening
9th to 15th April 2023**

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.

Welcome Rota

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

Creche Rota

9th April Rita McVeigh and Dorothy Lynch
16th April Fiona and Jodie Hogg

Flowers

The church flowers today were kindly donated by the daughters of Jack and Agnes Hamilton in memory of their parents

Treasure Hunters

April Julia Ross and Jade Walker

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

Other Notices

PASTORAL EMERGENCIES Stuart will be on holiday from **Monday 10th to Sunday 16th April inclusive**. Anyone urgently needing a minister please contact Peter O'Neill 07971814851 or Derrick Turbitt 028 7083 3963.

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.

YOUTH FELLOWSHIP will resume on **Sunday 16th April**.

BIBLE STUDY AND PRAYER GROUP will resume on **Monday 17th and Wednesday 19th April**.

STATED MEETING OF CHURCH COMMITTEE on **Tuesday 18th April** at 7.30 pm in the Centenary Room.

MUMS AND TOTS will resume on **Wednesday 19th April**.

CHURCH ART GROUP will resume on **Wednesday 19th April**.

CAMEO meets on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month. The next meeting is on **Thursday 20th April** from 2.30 – 4.00 pm in the Centenary Room.

BLAZE & CHILL will resume on **Saturday 22nd April**.

EASTER: CONFIDENCE, HOPE AND POWER



Bible in a year

Monday	1 Kings: 10-12,	Psalm 28: 1-9,	Proverbs 20: 22-23
Tuesday	1 Kings: 13-15,	Psalm 29: 1-11,	Proverbs 20: 24-25
Wednesday	1 Kings: 16-18,	Psalm 30: 1-12,	Proverbs 20: 26-27
Thursday	1 Kings: 19-20,	Psalm 31: 1-8,	Proverbs 20: 28-30
Friday	1 Kings: 21-22,	Psalm 31: 9-18,	Proverbs 21: 1-2
Saturday	2 Kings: 1-3,	Psalm 31: 19-24,	Proverbs 21: 3
Sunday	2 Kings: 4-5,	Psalm 32: 1-11	Proverbs 21: 4

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Points for Prayer

This week as we reflect on the events of Easter we will pray through some verses of scripture:

Monday 10th April

When they came to the place called the Skull, they crucified him there, along with the criminals – one on his right and the other on his left. (Lk 23:33) Thank God for the way in which Jesus' death shows the depth of the Father's love for each one of us.

Tuesday 11th April

I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint. My heart has turned to wax; it has melted within me. (Psalm 22:14) Thank God that it was Jesus who bore this pain that we wouldn't have to. Thank him also that Jesus body did not remain broken. He is risen, he is glorified, and he will return.

Wednesday 12th April

Look on my affliction and my distress and take away all my sins. (Psalm 25:18) The message of Easter demands a response from us. Call out to God, confess our sins and know that in Christ all sin is taken away.

Thursday 13th April

My beloved is to me a sachet of myrrh resting between my breasts. (Song of Songs 1:13) Song of Songs presents an image of a lover who is precious, secure and valued. Know that God sees us as he sees Jesus, he loves and values us as he loves and values Jesus. Rejoice in all Christ has done for us.

Friday 14th April

All who see me mock me; they hurl insults, shaking their heads. (Psalm 22:7) The truth is that the story of Easter has not impacted all as we would like. Some simply reject the truth of the story, others the idea of a God who sacrifices himself for humanity and others simply mock at the thought of the need of a Saviour. Pray for all who have not yet submitted, not only to the story of Easter, but to the Saviour of Easter.

Saturday 15th April

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? Why are you so far from saving me, so far from my cries of anguish? (Psalm 22:1) Thank God that we need not be separated from him, in Christ we are united with God.

Sunday 16th April

For you know that it was not with perishable things ... that you were redeemed ... but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect. (1 Peter 1: 18-19) This morning as we come to worship remember who it is we worship and what he has done for us.

If you would like more information about life in Portstewart Presbyterian, then please complete this slip and place in the offering plate or give to any of the elders at the door or visit www.portstewartpresbyterian.org

Name

Address

Tel:

I would like to know more about:

Youth Work

Men's Ministry

Women's Ministry

Visit from Minister

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