



Portstewart Presbyterian Church

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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 Centenary Room 9.45 – 10.10 am

CRECHE is in the Creche Room from 10.15 am

Sunday 23rd July 2023

RED SAILS SERVICE

2.00 pm today

at The Crescent

with God's Handiwork Puppet Show

What's happening in August

NEW HORIZON

Saturday 5th to Friday 11th August at Ulster University, Coleraine

Speakers:

Mornings 10.00 am – Tony Horsfall

Evenings 7.30 pm

Saturday to Monday – Arianna Walker

Tuesday to Friday – Archbishop Ben Kwashi

Welcome Rota

July Derrick Turbitt, Janet Allison, Will Browne, Brian Hall,
Heather Hamilton, Jimmy Jack, Noel Lyttle

Creche Rota

23rd July Mary Acheson and Maureen Moore

30th July Karen Elliott and Rachel Pollock

Flowers

The church flowers today were kindly donated by
Samantha and James McPeak and
Noel McKee in memory of his wife Tillie

Treasure Hunters

July Wendy Porter and team

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

Other Notices

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

OPEN DOORS PRAYER MEETING The next meeting is **Monday 31st July** at 7.30 pm in the Minor Hall. This will be led by Robert Walker.

OPEN DOORS MAGAZINES are available at both exits. Please take one.

CAMEO is on the move for July and August They will meet on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays in the Coffee Hut (opposite The Crescent) at 2.30 pm. The next meeting is **Thursday 3rd August**. Everyone's welcome to come along.

Bible in a year

Monday	Jeremiah 50,	Psalm 118: 1-18,	Proverbs 28: 2
Tuesday	Jeremiah 51-52,	Psalm 118: 19-29,	Proverbs 28: 3-5
Wednesday	Lamentations 1-2,	Psalm 119: 1-16,	Proverbs 28: 6-7
Thursday	Lamentations 3-5,	Psalm 119: 17-35,	Proverbs 28: 8-10
Friday	Ezekiel 1-4,	Psalm 119: 36-52,	Proverbs 28: 11
Saturday	Ezekiel 5-8,	Psalm 119: 53-70,	Proverbs 28: 12-13
Sunday	Ezekiel 9-12,	Psalm 119: 71-80,	Proverbs 28: 14

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Let's Pray

Sun 23 July - Sat 29 July 2023

Sunday 23 July

- **Moderator** | Since the beginning of creation, God in his gracious purpose provided marriage as the accepted way in which a man & a woman may come together as husband & wife. Give thanks and pray for those who are married, getting married, or who are single, that they would know God's blessing, enrich society and bring glory to God.
- **Resting in God in worship** | 'Return to your rest, my soul, for the Lord has been good to you.' Psalm 116:7. Thank God for his provision and protection and ask that you might find fresh faith to rest in him in worship today.

Monday 24 July

- **James and Heather Cochrane (global mission workers, Portugal)** | Pray for James and Heather as they begin their home assignment in Ireland, that this would be a time of reflection, guidance and rest. Pray that they would settle well, living in another culture.
- **United Bible Training Centre, Pakistan** | Pray for women studying on the Discipleship course and Foundations for Bible Ministry course, that they would be well-equipped to serve in local churches, hospitals, schools, hostels and para-church organisations.

Tuesday 25 July

- **Gary Aitcheson, prison chaplain** | Pray for Gary as he continues to build relationships with longer term prisoners and develops relationships with those who have recently arrived. Pray that the Lord would give him compassion and discernment as he serves the Lord in this way.

• **Aghada and Cork** | Pray for the congregations as they gather for worship each week, that they would meet with the Lord Jesus and that they would be drawn to walk more closely with him.

Wednesday 26 July

• **Stephen and Angelina Cowan (global mission workers, Kenya)** | Pray for the youth camps running in August and for the group of young musicians and word artists from Nairobi, who will creatively relate and translate God's truth to the children and young people who come to camp.

• **Presbyterian Church of South Sudan (PCOSS), Sudan** | Pray for the Church as they respond to the needs of refugees & returnees fleeing from the violence in Sudan, for immediate material needs & for peacebuilding efforts.

Thursday 27 July

• **Henry Coulter, assistant project leader at the International Meeting Point** | Pray for Henry and all the staff and volunteers as they take some time over the summer to rest. Pray that they would return refreshed in mind, body and soul for the work that the Lord has called them into at the International Meeting Point.

• **Ballina, Ballymote and Killala** | Pray for the congregations in this time of vacancy, that they would know the Lord's presence and a clear sense of his leading and guiding. Pray also for Rev David Clarke in his role as vacancy convener as he supports the congregations.

Friday 28 July

• **Sunnyside House** | Sunnyside is a residential care facility offering care and support to older people in a Christian environment & welcomes people from all denominations. Give thanks for the recent successful recruitment day. Pray that staff will continue to promote integrity in their daily practices & that hearts remain full of compassion for the residents.

• **Education** | Pray for those teachers with responsibility to deliver Relationships and Sexuality Education in schools. As discussions on the teaching of RSE continue in response to legislation from the Secretary of State, pray for wise decisions that will allow students to know their worth, flourish in their relationships and make good choices.

Saturday 29 July

• **General Council** | The 2023 General Assembly agreed to set up a new Communications Department within Assembly Buildings. Pray for the Clerk of the Assembly and others as they oversee transitional arrangements, remembering especially staff whose jobs will change owing to this significant reorganisation.

• **Training in Ministry** | Ministry students are in the middle of their summer assistantships in local congregations. Pray that this experience will shape them & their practice of ministry, that the congregations in which they serve will be blessed through them, and that they will also have time for a holiday to re-charge for the next academic year.

Please note: As our Church Services are recorded and available to watch on the church website anyone not wishing to be on camera should sit in the balcony.