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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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**PRAYERTIME** before worship in the **Centenary Room** 9.45 – 10.10 am

**CRECHE** is in the Creche Room **from 10.15 am**

**What’s happening**

**21st to the 27th January 2024**

**Sunday** **Prayer and Praise** 6.30 pm in the

Centenary Room

**Youth Fellowship** 6.30 pm Church Hall

**Monday Bowling Club** 7.00 pm Church Hall

**Tuesday Kirk Session Meeting** at 7.30 pm in the

Minor Hall

**Wednesday**  **Little Treasures** (Mums and Tots)

10.00 am – 12.00 noon in the Minor Hall

**Church Art Group** 10.30 – 12.30 pm in

the Main Hall

**Girls’ Brigade** Explorers 6.00 – 7.15 pm

Company Section 7.15 – 8.45 pm

**Thursday Bowling Club** 7.00 pm Church Hall

**Bible Study Group** will meet in the Minor

Hall at 7.30 pm.

**Saturday Blaze** 6.00 pm and **CHILL** 7.30 pm



**Please remember the food bank in the vestibule.**

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*Wednesday in the Minor Hall 10.00 am – 12.00 noon*

**Welcome Rota**

January **Gavin Beck**, Rachel Greer, Roye Hamilton,Shaun Moore,

Rita McVeigh, David North

**Creche Rota**

21st January Karen Elliott and Rachel Pollock

28th January Karen Scott and Pauline Pierce

4th February Rita McVeigh and Dorothy Lynch

**Flowers** The church flowers today were kindly donated by

Raymond and Liz Pollock

**Treasure Hunters**

January Julia Ross and team

# Other Notices

**ELDER’S TRAINING** begins **this Sunday, 21st December** and will run for 6 weeks. Please continue to pray for Helen, Samantha and Julie as they start their training.

**PRAYER TEAM** We are looking for people to commit to daily prayer in their personal time for our youth and families in the community and weekly praypoints will be sent by e-mail. If you are willing to be a part of this please sign one of the sign up sheets at either exit giving the details required.

**CHRISTIANS AGAINST POVERTY (CAP)** have appointed a new Debt Centre Manager for CAP in the Coleraine area. He is currently building a volunteer team to help those struggling with debt in the local area. If you are interested in joining this team or would love to hear more about it please use the contact form on our church website [www.portstewart.org](http://www.portstewart.org)

**REQUEST FOR HELP** We are looking for pre-loved clothes or shoes of the following ages/sizes to help a family in need: Women’s clothes size 8-10, shoe size 4, girl aged 8-9, shoe size 13 and boy aged 14-15, shoe size 7. If you can help there will be a box in the Link next Sunday and also a box in the foyer of the Church Hall.

**ALPHA COURSE** You are invited to presentations and group conversations exploring life, faith and meaning in a friendly inter-denominational setting Mondays 7.00 – 9.00 pm starting 22 January for 12 weeks. The venue is Fidela Coffee, 9 Newmills Road, Coleraine. Further information: [Alphanorthcoast@gmail.com](mailto:Alphanorthcoast@gmail.com) or telephone: Ernestine at 077 6064 7665

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# Points for Prayer

As we begin a new year why not make setting aside time for prayer part of the rhythm of 2024.

**Sunday 21st January**

Take time to pray for Agherton Church of Ireland this morning. Give thanks for the faithfulness of the people in Agherton. Pray for Malcom and Brian as they lead the people in worship, ask that God would speak through them and that his people would be encouraged.

**Monday 22nd January**

Pray for our local schools, Portstewart Primary, St Colums Primary School and Dominican College. Pray for the children and their families. Thank God for the teachers and the principals who often deal with complicated pastoral situations.

**Tuesday 23rd January**

Ballywillan has an appointment with the Linkage Commission today. Pray for Robert Wilson (Clerk of Session) as he leads the delegation from Kirk Session as they seek leave to call a new minister. Pray for the Linkage Commission as they make difficult decisions that affect the life and witness of every congregation in the Presbyterian Church in Ireland.

**Wednesday 24th January**

Little Treasures continues to provide an important ministry to parents and carers of very young children. Pray for Julia and her team of helpers as they spend time getting to know and building relationships with all who come week by week. Thank God for all the toddler groups in the town.

**Thursday 25th January**

Stanley and Valerie Stewart continue to co-ordinate our work teaching English to the men in the Rambler hotel. Thank God for Stanley and Valerie along with the many other volunteers from our church. Thank God also for the partnership they are part of with the other churches in the town and Acacia Path, the organisation co-ordinating all the efforts. Pray also for the men in the hotel as well as those who have been moved into other accommodation across the province.

**Friday 26th January**

Our GB girls in the junior section take part in district team games competitions tonight. Thank God for the work of the GB and the impact it has not only on the girls but their families as well.

**Saturday 27th January**

Michelle will be working tonight because our youth clubs are back up and running. Pray for Michelle, pray that she would be encouraged in her work but also that she would have insight as to how to meet some of the needs within our community.

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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.