

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

What's happening 28thJanuary to the 3rd February

Sunday Youth Fellowship 6.30 pm Church Hall
Monday Bowling Club 7.00 pm Church 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 CAMEO will meet in the Centenary Room 2.30 pm – 4.00 pm. Ladies please drop in for tea/coffee, company, chat and crafts. 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



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

28 th January	Karen Scott and Pauline Pierce
4 th February	Rita McVeigh and Dorothy Lynch
11 th February	Fiona Hogg and Rebecca Watters

Flowers The church flowers today were gifted anonymously

Treasure Hunters

January Julia Ross and team

Other Notices

<u>ELDER'S TRAINING</u> Please continue to pray for Helen, Samantha and Julie as they continue their training.

<u>HELP REQUIRED FOR MUMS AND TOTS</u> Wednesdays 10.00 – 12.00 noon. Would you be free to help set up at 9.30 am, make toast at 11.00 am or help put away toys at 12.00 noon. There will be a rota set up so that helpers do not need to be there every week. If you can help please speak to Julia (Morrow) on 07515550288. Any help would be greatly appreciated.

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.

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 is a box in the Link and also a box in the foyer of the Church Hall. These boxes will remain for 1 more Sunday.

LETTERS OF THANKS We have received a letter from the Royal British Legion thanking our members for their generous donation to last November's Poppy Appeal.

We have also received a letter from the Salvation Army thanking everyone who kindly donated toys for their Christmas Family Appeal.



Points for Prayer

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

Sunday 28th January

It is always good to remember that the church of Jesus Christ is much more than our congregation. Take time this morning to pray for the Methodist Church. Pray for Sam Livingstone as he seeks to lead and pastor 4 different congregations. Pray for the witness of the church in our town.

Monday 29th January

The Keswick at Portstewart management team meet tonight as they continue to make preparations for this year's convention. Pray for Darran McCorriston the convention chairman as he leads those plans. Pray that the convention would bring encouragement not only to the many people who travel into Portstewart but that the local church would be encouraged by its presence.

Tuesday 30th January

Michelle was in school yesterday taking assembly and will be doing so today again. Thank God for the opportunities we as a church have within the school. Pray for Michellle, pray also for the school as they provide not only the education our children need but increasingly pastoral care to children and families.

Wednesday 31st January

The GB meets tonight. Thank God for the Captain, officers and leaders who give their time willingly week by week. Pray for our GB leaders, pray also for the girls. One of the privileges of getting to know the girls is hearing many of their stories, the things that make them happy, or worry them. Ask God that through the GB each girl would feel valued and listened to.

Thursday 1st February

The bible study meets tonight at 7:30. Pray that as we think through more of the book of James that God, by his Spirit, would help each of us to not only understand his word but bring it to life in how we live.

Friday 2nd February

We continue to live in an ever increasingly turbulent world. Pray for world leaders as they make what are often life and death decisions. Pray that our leaders would learn the wisdom required to act both justly and compassionately. Pray for an end to the violence in places such as Gaza and Ukraine.

Saturday 3rd January

Schools are off today, and children will be enjoying different play activities, clubs, and societies. For some families today will be a difficult day, a day when it is a struggle to find childcare, or a day when the stresses and stains of family life are brought to a head. Pray for our families and the families in our community. Pray that they would know the peace that comes from the gospel of Jesus Christ.



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.