



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.

Stuart Morrow

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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 25th February to 2nd March

Sunday 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 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
(both in the Minor Hall)

Girls' Brigade Dinner at 7.00 pm in the Main Hall

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

Welcome Rota

February **Neil Pierce**, Rosie King, Samantha McPeak, Julia Ross,
Julie Watters

Creche Rota

25th February Barbara Hall and Julia Morrow
3rd March Maude Lyttle and Julie Watters
10th March Mary Acheson and Maureen Moore

Flowers

The church flowers today were kindly donated by
Gillian Kinkead in memory of her son Bruce

Treasure Hunters

February Wendy Porter and team

Other Notices

CHURCH CHOIR Practices for Easter will start after the service this morning.
Everyone welcome.

CROMIE INSTITUTE Completed applications **must be returned by 28th February.**

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER on **Friday 1st March** in Agherton Parish Church at
7.30 pm. This is a service for everyone.

MOYCRAIG YFC PLAY on **Saturday 2nd March** at 7.30 pm in the Church Hall.
Tickets available from any member of Kirk Session, Committee or Church Office.

PW SERVICE will be on **Sunday 3rd March** at 10.30 am.

CHURCH AUCTION will be taking place on **Saturday 13th April.** Details will follow
shortly but they will **not be accepting large** items of furniture.

POPPIES FOR FESTIVAL OF REMEMBRANCE IN NOVEMBER About five thousand
knitted or crocheted poppies are needed for this event. If you would like to
assist please contact Hazel at 0782110303 or Helen at 07900922383 for
patterns/details.

TABLE QUIZ on **Saturday 16th March** – details overleaf. If you are able to help
with the catering or quiz scoring please speak to Michelle. If you are entering a
team please book this with Michelle (07470120152) before 14th March.

'SOCIAL SPACE' It is planned that the Church Halls and kitchen will be used as a
weekly social drop-in centre for refugees beginning **Tuesday 27th February** 2.30 –
4.30 pm. **Helpers welcome** for social interaction and conversation in English/
providing refreshments/engaging in activities including board games/music etc.
If you can help please speak to Stanley Stewart or just come along on Tuesday.

PORTSTEWART PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

(Approved Church in N.I. (NICK) (N.I.))

MOYCRAIG YFC in:

Separate Beds

A Three-act Play by Sam Cree

In The Church Hall Complex (Central Avenue)
Saturday 2nd March 2024 at 7.30 pm

SUBSCRIPTION - - - - - £7-50

Tickets available from: Rita - 077 794 165 17; Cathy - 077 437 514 78
Church Office - 028 7083 4529 Wed., Thurs. Fri, 10.00a.m. - 1.00 p.m.
or pay at the door (subject to seats available)

Points for Prayer

Why not make setting aside time for prayer part of the rhythm of 2024.

Sunday 25th February

This evening our Presbytery hosts another gathering for young people (**BASIC**). Tonight's gathering takes place in **Moneydig Presbyterian Church**. Please pray for young people and their families across our Presbytery. Pray that through a closer connection with Presbytery our young people would realise they are part of a bigger church that has young believers committed to the Lord and so be encouraged in their faith.

Monday 26th February

The bowling club continues to meet tonight. Thank God for the opportunity the bowling club provides for people to meet socially and enjoy the company of good friends. Thank God for all who have positions of responsibility within the bowling club. Pray also that the bowling club would provide an opportunity for Christians to talk about their faith in a way that is non-threatening but still retains the challenge of the gospel.

Tuesday 27th February

Kirk Session meets tonight at **7:30 pm**. Thank God for the commitment and service offered by our elders. Pray for our elders, pray that in the busyness of life they would remember to guard their own walk with God. Continue to pray for our elders elect, Helen, Samantha and Julie, who have now completed their training and met with the **Presbytery Commission** last night.

Wednesday 28th February

Michelle and **Stuart** are attending a conference, **The Urban Mission Network**, organised by the **Presbyterian Church in Ireland**. Pray that as we as a church consider how we fulfil our mission in our context that we would be led by God. Pray that God would be pleased

to reveal himself in Portstewart and that many would ***be added to our number daily those who are being saved.*** (Acts 2:47)

Thursday 29th February

The 29th of February is known as a day when women are allowed to ask men to marry them. While this is an outdated and, in many ways, a discriminatory notion, it does highlight the reality that for some there is a deep longing and need to have a life partner, a wife or husband, and yet they remain single. Pray for those in our congregation who are single for whatever reason. **Pray that as a church we would learn how to affirm and celebrate singleness.** Pray that those who are longing for deeper relationships would know what it is to have that need satisfied, not just through human love, but through the perfect love that God has for us.

Friday 1st March

It is good that the institutions at **Stormont** are up and running again. With the restoration of government comes great challenges. The **Health Service** is creaking at the seams. Anyone who has spent time in hospital, or visited a loved one in hospital will have experienced just how stretched the health service has become. The consensus seems to be that **education** is underfunded, **public services** such as library provision are being cut. Pray that as our politicians think through how to spread limited resources across society that they would have the wisdom to understand the priorities before them.

Saturday 2nd March

Pray for our **PW** as they prepare for their annual service tomorrow. Thank God for the work of the PW, the friendship and fellowship, companionship and encouragement the ladies of our church provide for one another. Pray that our PW would not only offer this support to our own ladies, but that it would also be a means of outreach to those ladies who are on the fringes of our church family.

ST PATRICK'S
TABLE QUIZ NIGHT

SATURDAY 16TH MARCH 2024
6.30PM UNTIL 9PM

BRING YOUR TEAM FOR A FUN-FILLED
NIGHT WITH IRISH STEW AND APPLE PIE
SERVED DURING THE EVENING

TEAMS MUST CONSIST OF ADULTS AND
CHILDREN
MAX OF 8 PEOPLE TO A TEAM

Book your team in with Michelle by 14th March
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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.