

Registered Charity in N.I.(NIC105562)

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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**

**Sunday 18th August 2024**

**10.30 am** Rev Stuart Morrow

**What’s happening**

**In September**

**Sunday 1st September** Our Evening Prayer and

Praise Service resumes at 6.30 pm.

This service has been incredibly popular over the last year providing an opportunity for people to come together in an informal setting to simply sing in praise of God and spend time in prayer.





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

**Welcome Rota**

August **Derrick Turbitt,** Helen Davies, Sarah Powers, Hazel Walker, Jimmy Wright, Dorothy Friar

**Creche Rota**

18th August Maude Lyttle and Julie Watters

25th August Mary Acheson and Maureen Moore

1st September Karen Elliott and Rachel Pollock

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

 Helen Davies in memory of her parents

**Treasure Hunters**

August 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.

**KIRK SESSION MEETING** on **Tuesday 27th August** at 7.30 pm in the Minor Hall.

**GIRLS’ BRIGADE REGISTRATION NIGHT** on **Wednesday 28th August** at 6.00 pm in the Church Hall. Please check the facebook page or the church website - [www.portstewartpresbyterian.org](http://www.portstewartpresbyterian.org) – for the Registration Form.

**CAMEO** meets on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month. The next meeting is **Thursday 5th September** from 2.30 – 4.00 pm in the Centenary Room.

**FLOWER ROTA** The Flower Rota for **September 2024 to August 2025** is being prepared. If anyone would like to provide flowers during these dates or become involved in the arranging of flowers please contact the Church Office at 028 70834529 or speak to Helyn Kirkpatrick.

**FESTIVAL OF REMEMBRANCE IN NOVEMBER** Thank you to everyone who has already knit or crocheted poppies. If you would like to assist please contact Hazel at 07982110303 or Helen at 07900922383 for patterns/details as about five thousand poppies are needed for this event.

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Over the next two weeks we will be thinking about how we can know God through prayer. We will be looking at two very different examples of how God meets us in our prayers.



**Let’s Pray** **Sun 18 August - Sat 24 August 2024**

**Sunday 18 August**

**• Moderator |** “Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God” (Matthew 5:9). Pray for the government as they attempt to control civil disorder and for all those who are fearful for their homes, businesses and families. Pray for peace to be restored to our streets and for lawful resolution of grievances.

**• Worship throughout the year: Pray for the welcomers |** Give thanks for those who welcome worshippers each week as an expression of God’s welcome to us in Christ. Ask God to use them to encourage regular worshippers and make newcomers feel at home. **Monday 19 August**

**• Gary and Mary Reid, global mission workers, Kenya |** Rejoice with the church family in PCEA Isintin congregation as their new church building nears completion. Pray that the Holy Spirit would move powerfully to disciple and sustain unity amongst God’s people.

**• Church of Central Africa Presbyterian (CCAP), Zambia Synod |** Give thanks for the ministry of Rev Sevatt Kabaghe, General Secretary of the CCAP Zambia Synod, and pray for all the preparations for the week of Synod meetings commencing on 27 August, during which his successor will be appointed.

**Tuesday 20 August** **• Rosemary Spiers, deaconess, Greenwell Street, Newtownards |** Give thanks for those who came along from the community to the recent fun day and children's outreach. Pray that Rosemary would know God's guidance in her added pastoral responsibility due to the vacancy, & that God would guide the right person to be the new minister of Greenwell St.

**• Blackrock and Bray |** Give thanks to God for all his goodness and faithfulness to the congregations. Pray that God would continue to grow their love for him and one another, and that he would help them as they seek to share Jesus with others.

**Wednesday 21 August**

**• St Petersburg Christian University, Russia |** Pray that members of faculty would know good health, much grace and wisdom as they get ready for the new semester beginning in September. Pray also for the ongoing publication of key texts for theological study.

**• Poland |** Give thanks for the various ministries of Christ the Saviour Reformed congregation in Krakow and pray for Rev Saško Nezamutdinov and his colleagues as they endeavour to provide wise and effective leadership.

**Thursday 22 August**

**• Clones, Stonebridge, Ballyhobridge and Newbliss |** Pray for the work and witness of these congregations as they continue to bear faithful witness in their areas.

**• Dan Rosbotham, community outreach worker, Ravenhill |** Pray for Dan as he works at a camp in Scotland in August, with different groups joining from all over the UK. This is a great chance to show God to young people but will be busy and tiring, so prayers for energy would be appreciated. More importantly, pray for young people to come to meet Jesus.

**Friday 23 August**

**• Gray’s Court |** Gray’s Court complements the work of Carlisle House by providing longer term supported housing for those in the early stages of their recovery from addiction. Pray that they will use their time in Gray’s Court well as they try to build a new life. Pray that the Holy Spirit will sustain them in a life free of substance misuse.

**• Health & Social Care |** Pray for those who work in the health and social care sector and feel under increasing pressure alongside the onset of annual winter pressures. Pray for wisdom and guidance for those making decisions in response to these challenges. **Saturday 24 August**

**• General Council |** Pray for PCI’s IT department led by Steve McMurray. Pray for the staff of the department as they implement changes to the system and work in an increasingly difficult environment to protect the computing function against cyber-attack. **• Training in Ministry |** On 1 September each year, the current cohort of licentiates become eligible to be called as a minister. Give thanks for the way the Lord has equipped them over their five years of training. Pray that he would guide them to the congregation in which he wishes them to serve, and that he would use them to build his Church.

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.