



# Portstewart Presbyterian Church

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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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**

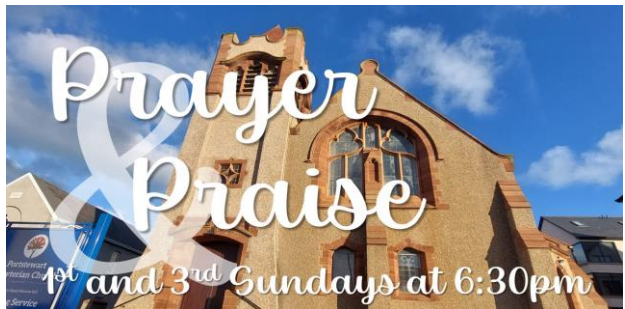
## What's happening

### 25<sup>th</sup> August to 1<sup>st</sup> September 2024

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

**Wednesday** **G.B. Registration Night** at 6.00 pm  
in the Church Hall (please check  
facebook page or church website (as  
above) for the Registration Form.

**Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> 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.



## Welcome Rota

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

## Creche Rota

25<sup>th</sup> August     Mary Acheson and Maureen Moore

1<sup>st</sup> September   Karen Elliott and Rachel Pollock

8<sup>th</sup> September   Karen Scott and Pauline Pierce

## Flowers

The church flowers today were kindly donated by  
the McDonald family in memory of loved ones

## 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.

**GIRLS' BRIGADE** recommences on **Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September** in the Church Hall.  
**Explorers** – 6.00 to 7.15 pm and **Company** 7.15 to 8.45 pm.

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

**BIBLE STUDY GROUP** recommences on **Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September** at 7.30 pm in  
the Minor Hall.

**BOWLING CLUB** recommences on **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September**. New members would  
be very welcome. If you have never tried bowling the hall will be open on  
**Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September at 2.00 pm** for people to come and try it out. If you  
are interested please contact Mervyn at 07715004512.

**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.

# Knowing God through our prayers



## Let's Pray

**Sun 25 August - Sat 31 August 2024**

### **Sunday 25 August**

- **Moderator** | Pray for the recommencement of the school term – for those students getting ready to return for the incoming academic year and for all teachers and ancillary staff as they prepare schemes and lessons for the new term. Pray that all teachers may feel affirmed in their important calling and equipped with stamina and inspiration for the year ahead and that Christian teachers would be good ambassadors for the Lord.
- **Worship throughout the year: Pray for those who make arrangements** | Give thanks for those who make practical arrangements for worship – opening the buildings, providing technical support, collecting and counting the offering, arranging the flowers. Ask that they will know God's blessing as they undertake this 'behind the scenes' ministry.

### **Monday 26 August**

- **Diane Cusick, global mission worker, Zambia** | Pray for Diane as she undertakes deputation during the early autumn. Remember the teachers who are taking forward the work of early childhood development.
- **Council for Global Mission** | Pray for all those participating in a full programme of council, committee and panel meetings during the autumn, especially that they would know God's encouragement and wise decision-making. Remember also the Mission department staff team.

### **Tuesday 27 August**

- **Corboy and Mullingar** | Give thanks for all those attending services every Sunday. Pray for the leading of the Holy Spirit in the ministry of these congregations during the

vacancy. Pray also that God would guide the person of his choosing to be the new minister of these congregations.

- **Jason Sime, community outreach worker, Alexandra** | Give thanks for our holiday Bible club and school uniform project in July. Pray for our upcoming youth week at the end of August, that the young people can get to know Jesus better and form stronger Christian friendships through the week.

### **Wednesday 28 August**

- **Stephen and Angelina Cowan, global mission workers, Kenya** | Give thanks for recently concluded youth camps and pray that the young people who attended will continue to reflect deeply on the truth of the gospel, giving their lives to Jesus.
- **Presbyterian Church of South Sudan (PCOSS)** | Pray for the PCOSS Unification Committee as it makes preparations for the meeting of the 35th General Assembly. Pray for the election of one new leadership team and for a growing commitment to unify the church after four years of division.

### **Thursday 29 August**

- **Arklow, Rev Michael Anderson, minister** | Pray for Rev Michael Anderson and the congregation over the summer, that this would be a time of rest and refreshment.
- **Cork & Aghada** | Pray for the work & witness of these congregations as they continue to bear faithful witness in their area.

### **Friday 30 August**

- **Thompson House** | Give thanks for the work and witness of Thompson House, PCI's supported housing scheme for offenders. One of its aims is to commend the Christian faith and way of life in an open and accepting manner. Pray that the lives of residents may be changed from the inside out and that God will move mightily in Thompson House.
- **Freight Transport** | Give thanks for those who bring goods to the island of Ireland by sea, road and air transport. Pray for their safety in travel and for those who may feel lonely when they are away from home for long periods of time, that they would have opportunities to encounter the love and grace of Jesus Christ.

### **Saturday 31 August**

- **General Council** | Pray for our Buildings and Conference department led by Raymond Robinson. Pray for the staff as they facilitate internal PCI meetings during the incoming months along with a number of external conferences and meetings. Pray for the continued positive witness of PCI through our conference staff to those using the conference facilities.
- **Training in Ministry** | Dr Jeff Arthurs, and a group of colleagues from Gordon Conwell College, are teaching at Union this week, to ministry students and others. This is the second year that Jeff has done this. Give thanks for his willingness to serve PCI in this way, and pray that this will equip students and ministers for effective service of the Lord.

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.