



# 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 1<sup>st</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> September 2024

**Sunday** **Prayer and Praise Service** at 6.30 pm in  
the Centenary Room

**Wednesday** **Little Treasures** (Mums and Tots)  
10.00 am – 12.00 noon in the Minor Hall

**Girls' Brigade** Explorers 6.00 – 7.00 pm  
Company Section 7.00 – 8.30 pm

**Thursday** **CAMEO** will meet in the Centenary  
Room 2.30 pm – 4.00 pm

**Bible Study Group** will meet in the Minor  
Hall at 7.30 pm.

**Saturday** **Craft class** for the Christmas tree  
festival in November from 11.00 –  
3.00 pm in the Upper Room at the  
Church. Please come along to help make  
decorations and items for display

## Welcome Rota

September      **Mervyn Pyper**, Robin Gawne, Cathy Martin, Joy Teese

## Creche Rota

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

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

15<sup>th</sup> September      Kerry McCammond and Dorothy Lynch

## Flowers

The church flowers today were kindly donated by  
Gillian Kinkead in memory of her husband Robert

## Treasure Hunters

September      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.

**CHURCH MEMBERSHIP CLASSES** If you would like to become a Communicant member of our congregation with full voting rights please speak to Stuart. Communicant's classes will begin shortly.

**ESTABLISHED** We will be relaunching our youth fellowship this year which will be called **ESTABLISHED**. It's taken from Ephesians 3: 17, *being rooted and established in love* our young people may have the power to grasp how wide, and long and high and deep is the love of Christ. If you have young people of secondary school age, then please do encourage them to come along to this on the **2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday evenings** of the month. It begins on **Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> September** at 6.30 pm.

**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.

**CHURCH ART GROUP** recommences on **Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> September**.

**EVENTS COMMITTEE MEETING** The next meeting is **Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> September**.

**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.

**OPEN DOORS MAGAZINES** are available at both exits. Please take one.



# Acts

## The church on fire for Jesus

This September we will be spending time thinking about the book of Acts. In Acts the disciples had to get used to Jesus being raised from the dead and then deal with the mixed emotions of watching him ascend into heaven. **Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> September: [Acts 1: 1-11](#)**



### Let's Pray

**Sun 1 September - Sat 7 September 2024**

#### **Sunday 1 September**

- **Moderator** | Pray for the Moderator as he leads the Sunday service in First Saintfield and also participates in the Ards Presbytery event taking place on Sunday afternoon. Pray also for the dedication of the new hall at First Broughshane on Friday of this week. Ask God to bless the ministries of all those involved in these various locations.
- **Knowing the blessings of God in worship** | 'The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn his face towards you and give you peace.' Numbers 6:24-26. Ask that as you worship today you may know the blessings of God's favour, grace and peace.

#### **Monday 2 September**

- **Edwin and Anne Kibathi, global mission workers, England** | Pray for Edwin as he oversees fellowships of East African expatriates in London, Birmingham, Reading and Luton, and as the possibility of beginning a gathering in Southampton is explored.
- **Hungarian Reformed Church** | Pray for József Steinbach, Bishop of the Transdanubian Reformed Church District, as he settles into the role of President of the Synod of the Reformed Church in Hungary to which he was elected back in April of this year.

## Tuesday 3 September

- **Donabate** | Give thanks for the presence of the congregation in the town of Donabate. Pray for the Lord's blessing as they worship and witness in their local community and remember Rev Andy Carroll in his time of sabbatical, praying that he would benefit from it.
- **Deaconesses** | Pray for all our deaconesses as they begin this new term. Give thanks for the work they have done and continue to do for God's glory. Pray that they would share the love of Christ with those they meet.

## Wednesday 4 September

- **Volker and Jinhyeog Glissmann, global mission workers, Southern Africa** | Pray that the Glissmanns would continue to know the Lord watching over them as a family, granting good health, safety in travel, and guidance during what has been a time of transition, especially for Micha as he prepares for university.
- **Malawi** | Pray for Malawi's President, Lazarus Chakwera, that he may give wise and godly leadership as the country continues to mourn the death of Vice President, Saulos Klaus Chilima, in a plane crash in June.

## Thursday 5 September

- **Mission Department Staff** | Pray for the staff team in the PCI Mission Department as they prepare to help support the Church in this new year of work and witness in Ireland and globally.
- **Craigavon, Rev Lachlan Webster, minister** | Please pray for 'Amazing Kids', a monthly Sunday club for children with additional needs. Thank God for the connections made since starting this ministry in February and for more opportunities to serve and bless children and families in this precious community.

## Friday 6 September

- **School life** | As children return to school, pray for those families that may be struggling with the return to routine and the financial burden that goes along with it. We pray that they will be able to access the help and support they need. We also give thanks for those churches and community groups which offer support to families in need.
- **Education** | As the new school year is under way give thanks for all those who support our children and young people at school – classroom assistants, teachers, cleaners, support staff, caretakers, principals, governors and others. Pray that Christians on staff would have opportunities to share the love of Jesus throughout the school year.

## Saturday 7 September

- **General Council** | Pray for PCI's Communications Department headed up by Mr Mark Neale. Pray for the ongoing production of resources, both electronic and printed, along with the press and external communications work of the department. Pray for wisdom in this challenging, and important, area of work.
- **Training in Ministry** | Very Rev Dr John Kirkpatrick has been appointed as convener of Union College Management Committee. Pray for him and the Committee as they support and oversee the work of the College this academic year.

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.