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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 29th September to 5th October

Monday Bowling Club 7.00 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 Church Hall.

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

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

Bowling Club 7.00 pm in the Church Hall. **Bible Study Group** Minor Hall at 7.30 pm.

Friday Badminton Club recommences at 7.30 pm in the Church Hall. The club is open to all abilities, ages 16 and above.

Saturday Blaze (age 7 – 11) 6.00 pm – 7.30 pm in the Church Hall.

CHILL (year 8 plus) 7.30 pm – 9.30 pm in the Church Hall

Welcome Rota

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

Ronnie Crooks

Creche Rota

29th September Caroline Scott and Rachel Greer 6th October Karen Elliott and Rachel Pollock 13th October Maude Lyttle and Julie Watters

<u>Flowers</u> The church flowers today are in memory of Jack Esler

Treasure Hunters

September Heather Hamilton and team

Tea and coffee will be served in the Link after the morning service

Other Notices

<u>PASTORAL CARE</u> Stuart is usually in the office on Wednesday mornings if anyone would like to come in and speak with him. Also if you know of anyone who is ill or in hospital please contact Stuart with their name and details.

<u>CHURCH MEMBERSHIP CLASSES</u> If you would like to become a Communicant member of our congregation with full voting rights please speak to Stuart.

<u>PRAYER AND PRAISE</u> is on the $\mathbf{1}^{st}$ and $\mathbf{3}^{rd}$ Sunday of the month. The next meeting is **Sunday 6**th October at 6.30 pm in the Centenary Room.

ESTABLISHED (for year 8 upwards) meet on the **2**nd and **4**th Sunday of the month at 6.30 pm in the Manse.

<u>PW</u> recommences on **Tuesday 8**th **October** at 7.30 pm in the Minor Hall. Joanne Hall will be speaking about 'Healthy Body, Healthy Mind'.

EVENTS COMMITTEE will meet on **Wednesday 9**th **October** at 7.15 pm in the Centenary Room.

<u>HARVEST GIFTS</u> For the Harvest services the Church will be decorated with flowers, fruit and vegetables. Members are invited to please contribute items and also to come and help with decorating the church on Saturday 12th October, from 11.30 am – 2.00 pm. Each organisation will also be responsible for an arrangement. Canned and packet items can be brought and these will be donated to the CAUSEWAY FOODBANK.

PREPARATION FOR POPPY FESTIVAL If you can help with sewing the poppies on to the netting please come along to the Centenary Room on **Friday 11/10** 2.00 –

4.00 pm, Saturday 19/10 10.30 am - 1.00 pm and Friday 25/10 2.00 - 4.00 pm. You can stay for any length of time. Refreshments will be provided.

<u>PORTSTEWART CHURCHES FRIENDSHIP GROUP</u> 'Quiet Day' in Corrymeela, Ballycastle on **Tuesday 15**th **October** starting at 9.30 am. The facilitator/speaker is Rev Stuart Morrow. Registration forms are in the link. Please speak to Roye, Julia Ross, or Rev Brian McMillan if interested.

<u>PORTSTEWART MENS SHED</u> are selling kindling at £2 per bag on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11.00 am - 2.30 pm.



Points for Prayer

Sunday 29th September

This morning, we are thinking about what it means to live as a Christian community. Pray for our church family. Pray for a strengthening of relationships between each of us. Pray that the way we live as a community would leave an impression on those watching.

Monday 30th September

Ballywillan Kirk Session meet tonight to discuss a way forward in filling the vacancy. Pray for the Kirk Session and the congregation. Pray not only for a filling of the vacancy but a renewed sense of hope after a disappointing congregational meeting earlier in the year.

Tuesday 1st October

Pray for our world. We live in a time of incredible instability. The war in Ukraine continues to grind on with dark shadow of conflict between Russia and the West, the conflict in Gaza and increased conflict between Hezbollah and Israel in Lebanon threatens to speak a wider war. As always it is the poorest and most vulnerable who are most affected. Pray for peace, and justice for those who are fleeing homes and livelihoods. Pray for an end to conflict.

Wednesday 2nd October

GB and Little Treasures meet today. These are incredible opportunities for our church to engage with the community. Pray for all who attend both organisations asking that God would use them to draw more people unto himself.

Thursday 3rd October

The Bible study meets tonight. Thank God for all who come along to this and pray that it would be an opportunity for each of us to deepen our faith in Jesus Christ.

Friday 4th October

Cynthia faithfully produces this diary week by week, among many other administrative duties. She also provides an important ministry of friendship to all who call in to the office. Thank God for Cynthia and pray that she continues to be a blessing to so many within our congregation.

Saturday 5th October

Blaze and Chill meet tonight. Pray for our young people asking God to draw them away from everything that would be harmful and towards his goodness and love.

ADVANCE NOTICE



Volunteers are needed to welcome the families, help with the games and cook and serve the food. If you are able to help please speak to Michelle.

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.