



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.

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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 15th to the 21st December 2024



*A big thank you to all the children involved in
our Children's Nativity Service and a welcome
to their families*

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

Girls' Brigade Explorers 6.00 – 7.00 pm

Company Section 7.00 – 8.30 pm

Thursday CAMEO meet 2.30 – 4.00 pm in the
Centenary Room

Bowling Club 7.00 pm in the Church Hall

Next Sunday 22nd December

**6.30 pm Christmas Carol Service followed
by Mince Pie supper**

Welcome Rota

December **Neil Pierce**, Samantha Armitage-McPeak, Rosie King, Julia Ross,
Julie Watters

Creche Rota

15th December Fiona Hogg and Karen Scott
22nd December Caroline Scott and Rachel Greer
29th December Barbara Hall and Julia Morrow

Flowers

The church flowers today were kindly donated by
Helen Davies in memory of her son Stuart

Treasure Hunters

December 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.

CHOIR PRACTICE for the Carol Service after the service this morning. Everyone welcome.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO CHURCH FUNDS It is helpful for completing Church Accounts for 2024 if all monies for the Church are handed in on or before 31.12.24.

WORLD DEVELOPMENT APPEAL You are invited to bring your gift for our Christmas Appeal (using the special envelope in your FWO pack) to **ANY** of our Christmas Services. If you don't have envelopes you can use the envelope enclosed.

CAROL SINGING AROUND 3 RESIDENTIAL HOMES Portstewart Churches Friendship Group invite you to come Carol singing on **Monday 16th December** starting at Agherton Grange at 7.00 pm. Everyone welcome.

CHURCH ART GROUP will recommence on **Wednesday 8th January**.

BIBLE STUDY GROUP will recommence on **Thursday 9th January**.

BADMINTON CLUB will recommence on **Friday 10th January**.

BLAZE AND CHILL will recommence on **Saturday 11th January**.

ESTABLISHED will recommence on **Sunday 12th January**.



Points for Prayer

Sunday 15th December

Christmas well and truly comes to Portstewart this morning as we have our annual nativity service. Pray for our young people as they form a youth choir to sing throughout the service. Pray for the work among our families, those connected as well as those who are not connected to our church.

Monday 16th December

This evening Dominican College are holding their carol service. Thank God for the college. Pray for the staff and students. Pray for the many children connected to our church who attend school in Dominican. Pray that they would receive more than an academic education, but that they would be prepared and equipped for adult life.

Tuesday 17th December

As we approach Christmas this becomes a time in intense loneliness for many. Pray for those who find Christmas hard. Who feel the pain of isolation, are reminded of the loss of bereavement; those separated from family by distance and because of estrangement. Pray that each would know Immanuel: God with us.

Wednesday 18th December

This is the final night of GB for 2024. Take time to thank God for the work of the GB. Pray for Julie as she leads the company. Pray for her officers and helpers. Pray for the work of GB. Pray that the girls would see and hear something of Jesus in a way that changes their lives.

Thursday 19th December

Our church celebrates 200 years in 2027. The minds of Kirk Sessin and committee are now turning to ways of celebrating this landmark. Thank God for our church, for its history and for those who had the vision to plant a Presbyterian Church here in this place. Pray for our future. Pray that we would understand God's purpose for us today, by understanding why we were planted all those years ago.

Friday 20th December

The people walking in darkness have seen a great light; and those living in the land of deep darkness a light has dawned. Thank God this Christmas for difference that Jesus Christ has made in our lives and in our world. He has brought light, life and hope into what was dark, dead and hopeless. In Christ we have incredible life.

Saturday 21st December

The madness of Christmas shopping, cooking, wrapping presents, visiting family and friends is well and truly upon us. Make time this morning to read the Christmas story. Read Matthew 1: 18 – 2: 23



If you would like more information about life in Portstewart Presbyterian, then please complete this slip and place in the offering plate or give to any of the elders at the door or visit www.portstewartpresbyterian.org

Name

Address

Tel:

I would like to know more about:

Youth Work

Men's Ministry

Women's Ministry

Visit from Minister

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.