Kilbride Presbyterian Church



Sunday 5th May 2024

Preaching: : Rev. Gareth McFadden

Luke 8: 1-18 Sowing Seed

Next week at Kilbride.....

Prayer Meeting in Prayer Room: 10.00am

Preaching: Rev. Gareth McFadden

Luke 14: 1-24 The Feast of the Kingdom

Communion - 11.00am

End of 175th Anniversary Praise - 7.30pm

Tea / Coffee

Please join us in the Halls after the service for a cuppa and a chat



Prayer Breakfast

Saturday 1st June at 9.00am

In the Minor Hall. Please come along and enjoy the fellowship and have your breakfast made for you.

Summer Evening Walks

We hope to start the summer evening walks on Tues 23rd April. These will be easy walking of approx. 3 - 4 miles each evening. Everyone will be very welcome.

There might even be a cup of tea/coffee at finish.

7th May - Meet at 22 Parkgate Road for 7.00pm sharp

Other dates and venues, for example, Monkstown, Corrs Corner and Ballyclare will be confirmed next week.

Church Giving Envelopes

Church Giving Envelopes are available in the vestibule and from the Church Office. Please take what envelopes you need for yourself but also feel free to take some for your relatives, neighbours, etc who may be unable to attend Church but still wish to contribute.

Clothes Recycling

There will be another Clothes Recycling lift on Tue 21st May between 6.30pm and 7.30pm in the Church carpark.

Contact Janet on 077 3561 5233 for details.

ATTENTION

ALL ORGANISATIONS & CHURCH MEMBERS

The Church is facing huge increases in energy costs. Could we all ensure that when leaving the Church and/or Church Halls that all lighting and heating has been switched off and that all doors locked please.

We are now into the time of year when heating and lighting will be used more often, and it will make for good practice if all Leaders etc could sweep the buildings that they have been using to ensure all is switched off - especially in toilet areas, store areas and the exterior lights.

Thank you for your support in helping to eliminate these unnecessary energy costs.

Welcome Teams							
Date	Elder Opening / Closing	Helping					
5th May	Adrainne Bowden	Margaret McAllister Jamie Bowden	Mary Agnew				
12th May	Alistair Lamont	David Bowes	Suzanne Robson Suzie Robson				
19th May	Jayne Wright	David McBride	Alison McBride LeeAnn McDowell				
26th May	Des Humphries	Gail Humphries	Ted Turkington Freddie Stirling				

If you are unavailable on your allocated date can you please swop with someone and inform the Church Office as soon as possible.

Elders - please check that your team is available. Any changes to your team, please inform the Office.

Please fill any gaps with people from your district.

The Elder leading the Welcome Team needs to open up and lock up afterwards.



Presbyterian Women's Annual Conference 'Entrusted' Saturday 11th May

10:30am - 3:45pm at the Assembly Buildings, Belfast. Admission is Free

Morning Session: 10.30am - 12.15pm Afternoon Celebration: 2.00pm - 3.45pm

Dr Amy Orr-Ewing will be the guest speaker. Amy is an international author, speaker and theologian who addresses the deep questions of our day with meaningful answers found in the Christian Faith.

Join with women from across Ireland as we come together to worship and celebrate all that God is doing in our lives and through his church. We come expectant to encounter him afresh and take his blessing and hope back to our local churches and communities. All women welcome - we're hoping to organise a group of women from Kilbride to go to this event and to enjoy lunch together between the two sessions. If you are interested in going, please speak to Ann Wilson or Christine Craig.

After Church Tea / Coffee Rota						
Date	Leader	Helping	Helping	Helping		
5th May	Des Humphries	Fiona Allen	John Allen	Patricia McAuley		
12th May	Janet Kinnear	GB	GB	GB		
19th May	Christian Aid Soup Lunch					
26th May	Dave Hoy	Naomi Hoy	Emma Hoy	A N Other		
2nd June	David Annett	Kirstie Annett	Derek Brown	Rosie Brown		
9th June	Church Picnic					
16th June	Craig Porter	BB	BB	BB		
23rd June	Richard McGeagh	Janice McGeagh	Jonah McGeagh	Andrew McGeagh		
30th June	Ann Wilson	Mary Hoy	Sharon McDowell	A N Other		

If you are unavailable on your allocated date can you please swop with someone and inform the Church Office as soon as possible.

Those on tea duty should provide tea, coffee, milk, juice and biscuits for that day.

Kilbride Presbyterian Men's Bible Study 2023 / 2024

The study is open to all men in and around the congregation, 8.15pm for 8.30pm start.

The topic this year is the Whole Armour of God - Ephesians 6 Verses 10 - 18.

13th May: Sword of the Spirit which is the word of God. The protection of the word and the need to proclaim the word.

We will also organise at least one trip for the men, venue and date tba. We would like to commence a men's WhatsApp group for 2023/24 and will be sharing some beneficial and encouraging thoughts in support of our group throughout the year. Contact: **Uel Campbell 077 1327 3027** or **Lowry Grant 077 7333 5050**

Offering Rota					
Date	Car Park Side	Graveyard Side	Upstairs		
May-24	Robbie Cromie	Ted Turkington	Philip Robinson		
	Christine Cromie	Gail Humphries	Jack Robinson		
Jun-24	Robin Rankin	Michael McDowell	Derek Brown		
	Barbara Rankin	LeeAnn McDowell	Rosie Brown		
If you need to change or swop a date, please contact David Bowes: 078 6095 2022					

Dear Members, Gareth McFadden and James Tosh want to provide prompt and diligent pastoral care to our members who fall into times of illness or medical treatment. We want to remind you that it is no longer the normal pattern that the Hospitals (either directly or through chaplaincy) inform church ministers of our members being admitted. Therefore, we ask that family members ensure we are phoned directly so we know of your need of pastoral care.

Please send announcements for the Kilbride News Sheet to the Church Office no later than 10:00am on Wednesdays. Anything received after 10:00am will not be included until the following week. Please state the number of weeks for which the announcement is to be included. Please use the following email address:

churchoffice@kilbridepresbyterian.org

PRAYER

A time for prayer, before our Sunday service. Please join us in the Prayer Room from **10.00am until 10.30am**.

Prayer Ministry is available at the front of the Church today at the end of the service. You can also speak to a member of our prayer team at any time or contact us at:

<u>kilbridetogetherinprayer@gmail.com</u> to receive prayer or to pass on a request for others. All requests are dealt with confidentially.

Our **Zoom prayer time** continues each Wednesday evening at 7.30pm for 45 minutes. All KPC members are so welcome to join in, even if you can only be there for part of the time.



Christian Aid Week 12th - 18th May 2024

Linked to CAW 2024 is the new "70k in May" challenge, which can be done by individuals, families or teams and can be walked, run, cycled, etc.

Our minister, Rev. Gareth McFadden has bravely taken up the challenge and hopes to run the 70k. If you would like to encourage him, please sponsor him at:

Kilbride Presbyterian 70K in May - Christian Aid Ireland Fundraise

or

https://fundraise.christianaid.ie/challenge-2024/kilbride-presbyterian-70k-may

or

If it suits better then please feel free to put your sponsorship donation into an envelope clearly marked "70k in May" and place in the offering plate or hand it into the Church Office. Cheques made payable to Christian Aid please.

Christian Aid Soup Lunch: Sunday 19th May 2024

In the Church Hall after morning worship.

If you plan to come along, please put your name on the sign-up sheet in the vestibule (for catering purposes).

UCB Word For Today

Bible Notes are available in the vestibule.

Monetary donations would be very welcome.

Many thanks. Christine Cromie

KILBRIDE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Twice per year we will host the Bereavement Journey Course. This six-week course is for anyone who has been bereaved at any time and in any way. The course gently guides people through common aspects of grief, using a series of short films and small discussion groups. Each discussion group will be facilitated by volunteers in a safe and confidential environment and the final session will focus on faith questions in bereavement from a Christian perspective. This final session is optional, so the course is entirely suitable for people of any faith or none. Additionally, you can find out about other sources of grief support by visiting: https://thebereavementjourney.org

The course runs for 6 weeks and will start in early May 2024 continuing to mid-June. If you are interested in attending this course, please speak to a member of the Ministerial Team, Philip McMaster, Denise Milligan or your Elder.

Given the nature and delivery of the course, we do have to limit numbers so if you're interested in attending, please return your registration form to us promptly.





MAY DAY

Antiques & Collectors Fair THE LODGE HOTEL

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BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY 6th MAY 2024

11 a.m. - 5.00 p.m.

Variety of Quality Stalls

Jewellery, Porcelain, Silver, Linen, Furniture

Vintage Jewellery, Coins & Militaria

Admission to Fair (payable at door) £3

50% Admission to N.I. Hospice





Ballyclare May Fair Songs of Praise - 2024

Following the success of last year's 'Songs of Praise: the Ulster-Scots Tradition of Hymn-Writing', we are thrilled to announce: 'A Wheen o Hymns That Tell a Tale' as part of this year's Ballyclare May Fair. The fair has been cherished by locals since 1756 and is scheduled to take place from 18th to 26th May and promises an enjoyable, entertaining week for all.

'A Wheen o Hymns That Tell a Tale' will take place on Sunday 19th May from 5.00pm - 7.00pm at Ballyclare Presbyterian Church. This special evening will delve into the rich heritage of traditional Ulster-Scots hymns and hymn-writing, led by Mark Thompson. Adding to the ambiance, a choir and praise-band will perform a captivating blend of beloved classics and contemporary hymns.

We extend an invitation to all, regardless of your denomination, to join us for this unique experience. Everyone will be welcome to stay for tea, coffee and refreshments which will be served afterwards in the Church Hall. Kindly help us spread the word, within your Church community, as we anticipate a truly memorable evening.

For further details about the Ballyclare May Fair, please visit antrimandnewtownabbey.gov.uk/BallyclareMayFair.

We **continue to broadcast** our YouTube services for those unable to attend in person. Please continue to keep in touch with each other. If you are a leader responsible for a group of people in our church, we encourage you to make contact to ensure people are doing ok. James Tosh and Gareth are making contact too, but we can only do so much in our days, and it will take time for us to connect with everyone. Let's do it as a team effort.



Presbyterian Church in Ireland

invites applications for the

Deaconess Training Programme

(comprising of study and placements).

Training will commence at Union Theological College, Belfast in September 2025.

Closing date for applications for this training programme to be received by 4pm on Friday, 6 September 2024.

All enquiries to and application pack from:

Helen Johnston – Mission Support Officer Presbyterian Church in Ireland, Assembly Buildings 2-10 Fisherwick Place, Belfast BT1 6DW

> Email: hjohnston@pcinet.org Telephone: +44 (0)28 9032 2284



Want to find out more?

We are hosting an information morning at Union Theological College, Belfast, on Saturday, 1 June from 10.30am to 1pm.

The morning will cover: the deaconess role; what the training programme involves; and information on the application and selection process.

This is a free event, but booking is required.

To book your place please contact the Mission Department on +44 (0)28 9032 2284 or email: mission@presbyterianireland.org before noon on Friday, 24 May 2024.



seats may be pre-booked by scanning the QR code or contacting Des on 07955 623 699. There will be a collection to defray expenses, with any surplus funds donated to Macmillan Cancer Support.

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