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# CHURCH NOTICES
**(In the will of God)**

**18th & 25th August 2019**
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NI Registered Charity **(NIC105348)**

**Welcome to all visitors at our service today. Please feel free to sign our Visitors' Book.**

## Today:

**(10.35am)** **Congregational Prayer Time** in the committee room.

Please take a copy of the Presbyterian Church's ***"Let's Pray" prayer sheet*** (18th-24th August).

**11.00am** **Morning Worship:** Rev. Collins will conduct public worship today. He will preach from **Acts 2:37-41** "*Repent & be baptised.*" Gavin Hartin will give some feedback from our Holiday Bible Club. Thank you for serving on the team and for praying; it was an enjoyable week.
There'll be a short video on giving generously to **PCI's United Appeal** this month.

**Praise:** **1)** Pr. Suppl. 44 **2)** *"All through History"* 3) *"From the Squalor"* & 4) *"All my days"*

**(Post-service)** **Tea/ Coffee will be served** after church in the hall foyer. Come and enjoy a catch up with your church family.

## This Week:

**Wed. 21st (8.00pm)** **Congregational Prayer Time in committee room.** All warmly encouraged to come before God's throne of Grace.

## Next Week:

**Sun. 25th (10.35am)** **Prayer Time in the Committee Room.**

**11.00am Morning Worship:** we warmly welcome**, Andrew Ferguson,** an applicant for PCI's Ordained Ministry, who will come & conduct public worship. Our Praise Group will lead.

**Wed 28th Aug 10am:** All ladies in our congregation are welcome to join **CRAFTERS for Coffee at Bothy**. Meet at Ballywatt car park 10 am sharp to travel

**Fri 30th (7.45pm)** Special Event in church hall: **Rev. Adrian Adger (Seaforde & Clough)** will share his personal story as a **Christian man living with inoperable & incurable cancer**. Come hear a remarkable story of a man's sure & certain hope in Christ. Book signing & refreshments afterwards. Take a flyer in vestibule & prayerfully invite others to come along.

## Further Ahead:

**Sun 1st & 8th Sept** There will be a **retiring offering on 1st and 8th September in respect of Friendship Group funds**. If you wish to contribute would you please place your donation in the plate at the door as you are leaving church. Thank you.

**Wed 4th Sept (1.30pm)** Friendship Group re-opens on Wednesday 4th September. Our topic is **'Out and about in North Antrim.'** Adrian Steele will tell us stories and show us sketches relating to this part of the province. Please come and join us and share any stories you may have on the area with Adrian.

**Wed. 4th Sept (7.45pm)** Wednesday Night EXTRA (in Committee Room): Mr Philip Robinson *(B Ed & M Div)* of Creation Ministries will share a presentation about the important doctrine of creation. His theme: *"Has science disproved Christianity?"* Everyone is welcome, including school, college & Uni folk. Why not invite a friend, even an agnostic/ atheist!? Philip has been writing for Creation Magazine

*(distributed worldwide)* for 15 years and has done research into dinosaur history. There will be opportunity in the Q&A to talk about a miniature Stegosaurus & see a scale model of Noah's Ark.

**Fri 6th Sept 6.15-7.15pm Ballywatt Girls' Brigade Registration Night** in the Church Hall. We would love to see all girls 3-18 years old with a parent! Invite your friends to come along and join in the Friday fun.

**Sat. 14th September** Afternoon tea at Woodbank House Garvagh, with special guest Maud Kells. Please sign up on sheet in foyer. We want all ladies to come and enjoy fellowship and fun.

**General:**

**2019 Harvest decorations for church building**: This year's theme is "Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good; His love endures forever." If our church organisations could select their verse for this year's decorations and let either Liz or Leta know that will help with preparations. We will be reviewing the extent of decoration for the 2020 Harvest.

**Rev. Collins will be taking annual leave** (week 4/6) from Mon. 19th – Sunday 25th August exclusively. If you should need a minister in an emergency, please contact Mr John Campbell, our clerk of session, on 028 20741532.

**Our Church Notices will be produced weekly from September.** Therefore**,** for Sunday 1st September please email notices to ballywatt@email.com by Thurs 29th August.

**Our Morning Services** will remain **at 11.00am** for both **1st & 8th September.**

Sign the Petition: Stop the passing of the Abortion Law in Northern Ireland https://petition.parliament.uk/petitions/267231.
The British parliament recently voted to legalise same sex marriage and abortion in Northern Ireland by a rather substantial majority. This was a vote nothing to do with the Northern Irish people and gave the people of Northern Ireland no say. Many people in NI and the UK are certainly outraged. Currently, 10,000 signatories are needed to ensure a government response, 100,000 means parliament may debate the matter.

**Red Choir Files** – we are looking to update our folders, if you have one at home, please leave it on top of the filing cabinet over to the side of the pulpit.

**Church Bookstall**: ***The Good Book Company*** have given us a number of new titles to promote from our NEW bookstall. Please feel free to pick up & browse. Envelopes are provided for making payment on a later occasion. Please do take care when browsing as any book not sold will be returned to the Good Book Company. **2 x FREE children's book** on a 1st come, 1st served basis *(see Price list on table in vestibule).*

**Hazelbank PW** visitors evening on Monday 7th October 2019 at 8 00pm. The speakers for the evening are Peter and Jayne Fleming, who have been working in Nepal. This is an opportunity to share fellowship and hear about the work Jayne and Peter have been doing serving Christ abroad. If anyone wishes to attend, speak to Phyllis before 15th September.

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| **Crèche** | Ruth Chestnutt<br>Isobel Lundy | Ruth Chestnutt<br>Isobel Lundy | Phyllis Cochrane<br>Linda Nevin | No Creche |
| **Children's Church** | Alison Collins<br>Melissa Hartin | Alison Collins<br>Melissa Hartin | Ruth Chestnutt<br>Shona Irons | Ruth Chestnutt<br>Shona Irons |
| **Door Welcome** | Winston Taggart<br>Moore McCurdy | Winston Taggart<br>Moore McCurdy | AM: Alistair Cochrane<br>David Curry<br>PM: Alistair & David | Alistair Cochrane<br>David Curry |
| **Offering** | Stephen Sharpe<br>Gavin Hartin<br>David Curry<br>Richard Lyons<br>Megan Radcliffe | Andrew McCrory<br>Stewart Lyons<br>Emma Curry<br>Alistair Lyons<br>Clifford Ruddell | Connor Cochrane<br>M Caldwell<br>W Taggart<br>Jonathan Lyons<br>Guthrie Barnes | Chris Nevin<br>Helen Lyons<br>Stephen McElnay<br>Ivan Curry<br>Samuel McClure |
| **PowerPoint** | Matthew McCurdy<br>Judith Lyons | Gavin Hartin<br>Jack Kirk | AM: Clare McAfee<br>Conor Cochrane<br>PM: Drew McClure | Thomas McCrory<br>David Radcliffe |