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CHURCH NOTICES
(In the will of God)

1st March 2020
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Welcome to all visitors at our service today. Please feel free to sign our Visitors' Book.

Today:

(11.05am) **Prayer Time** in the Committee Room.

11.30am **Morning Worship**: We warmly welcome Rev. David Allen, formerly of Ballyrashane, now of Dean of Ministerial Studies & Development in Union Theological College, to take today's service. David will preach from Psalm 2. Please pray for God to clearly direct the College's path. Tea & coffee served afterwards in the hall, all are welcome.

(3pm) **Choir practice** resumes in preparation for Easter services on 12th April. All most welcome.

"Try Praying" - Launch of a NEW Presbytery initiative in the build up to Easter: our Presbytery has issued a call on all local Presbyterians to **Try-Praying** for revival across our land. Our banner is up & we have 100 copies of 40-day devotional prayer booklets entitled "Catching the Wave" to freely give away. Take your copy from the vestibule table.

(7.00pm) **Evening Worship**: will take place in our Committee Room. Rev. Collins will consider 3 John & how it applies to our lives.

This Week:

Wed. 4th Mar. (10am) **CRAFTERS** - new members welcome.

(10.30am-12.30pm) **NI Evangelical Alliance** invite all who lead in the local church along to a morning in Portstewart Baptist for equipping and encouragement in "Telling the Better story in a changing culture." How do we as Christians share the Gospel as the Church in a changing culture? Speak to Rev. Collins if you are interested in going together.

(8pm) **Congregational Prayer Time.** Come let's take time to develop the momentum of prayer for revival in our own hearts & in others as we **"catch the wave"** being generated by the Presbytery's **"Try Praying"** initiative. **Our PCI Moderator** has issued **a week of prayer** too.

Sat. 7th Mar. (7.30pm) Ballywatt is hosting **a concert of Inspirational Music & Worship** by international recording artist Jenn Bostic, from Nashville, USA. A regular performer on ITV & BBC Radio and TV, including numerous appearances on BBC Songs of Praise, she will be performing songs from her new worship album along with of some her biggest hits. Tickets will cost £12.00 and can be bought online by following the Events link on the Ballywatt Facebook page. Alternatively, if you do not wish to purchase online, please text your name and the number of tickets required to Gavin Hartin on 07886637059. This is an event open to the 8 churches and beyond. Please consider coming along and inviting your friends to a night of joyous music.

Next Week:

Sun. 8th Mar. (11.05am) **Prayer Time** in our Committee Room.

(11.30am) **AM Worship:** Rev. Ross Collins will take today's service & continue the series in **Acts – 7:54-8:1** "Witnessing Stephen's stoning"

(7-9pm) **Youth Fellowship** is meeting at the home of David & Anne Curry. Looking forward to seeing all of secondary age there.

Wed. 11th & Thur. 12th Mar (7.45pm) **Homegroups 1-3** *"Fruitfulness on our Frontlines"*

Fri. 13th Mar. (7.30pm) **Faith at the Musicals with Tearfund NI** in Causeway Coast Vineyard. Join singers from London's West End for a good night at the musicals. Performers will bring you songs from Les Miserables, Phantom of the Opera & the Greatest Showman. Tickets £6. Family tickets available. www.tearfundnifaithatthemusicals.eventbrite.co.uk.

Sat. 14th Mar. (10-12 noon) **PW Crafters.** Come along and support our "**DAFFODIL TEA"** in Ballywatt Church Hall. Cake/ craft stalls with proceeds going to "***Presbyterian Children's Society."*** As some people have offered to contribute to the cake stall, please sign the sheet at back of the church to let us know what you can supply or if you are willing to help in the kitchen.

Further Ahead:

Calling ALL women: are you interested in hearing the excellent **Nancy Guthrie,** from USA speak at a ***"Biblical Theology Workshop for Women" (£17 plus booking fee)?*** Organisers Irish Women's Convention are hosting this at **PCI's Assembly Buildings in Belfast** on **Sat. 16th May from 10.00am – 4.00pm**. If you are a woman, who wants to know her Bible better, this event is for you! Over 3 energetic, interactive sessions, discover how tracing the Bible's themes helps you to grasp its vital message. Give your name to member of PW committee by 15th March or see more details on vestibule table.

General:

Ballywatt GB - Are you spring-cleaning your wardrobe? GB are raising money for Camp 2020 through a clothing re-use scheme with All-Tex Recyclers. Please fill a sturdy bin bag with unwanted, clean clothes and bring it to the Church Hall on 20th March. For more details, pick up a leaflet in the MMH foyer. Thank you.

CHURCH WEEKEND 2020 - Please take a flyer for the Church Weekend Away and save the date! Whitepark Bay Hostel, 4th-6th September 2020. Speaker - Rick Hill. If you are interested in staying for the full weekend, please sign up and pay your deposit to Tim Beattie by 8th March 2020. See flyer for further details.

FREE BOOKS – there are a range of book titles from The Good Book Company considering some of life's bigger issues. If you would like to take one to read, please do! And likewise, if you think someone would benefit from a book, please do take and pass on free of charge!

Please take a postcard from **Precious Life** & consider letting our locally elected politicians at Stormont know you are not happy with how Westminster changed **abortion law in NI. Precious Life** are one of the few organisations campaigning for a Repeal of the new law. *Protestants, Roman Catholics & others* are agreed on this. **Fill in the details & leave the postcard in the provided shoe box** as Precious Life wish to know the level of support for repealing the Abortion Act.

Have your say: You are invited to consider attending an event run by **The Consumer Council** hosted by **BBC Radio Ulster** *"On your behalf"* & presented by Linda McAuley MBE. This will be an opportunity for consumers in NI to discuss their consumer issues & get answers to their consumer problems. This event will take place: Friday 6th March between 10am to 3pm. Register for event: www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/consumer-parliament-2020-tickets-88818662009 or by phoning 0800 121 6022. Flyers in the vestibule.

Rotas	Sunday 1st March	Sunday 8th March	Sunday 15th March	Sunday 22nd March
Crèche	Helen Lyons Edna Sharpe	Helen Lyons Edna Sharpe	Joyce Lyons Alison Collins	Joyce Lyons Alison Collins
Children's Church	Leanne Beattie Melissa Hartin	Leanne Beattie Melissa Hartin	Gavin Hartin Janetha Irvine	Gavin Hartin Janetha Irvine
Door Welcome	Am: Stanley Campbell Thomas Nevin PM: Stanley/Thomas	Samuel McClure Richard Lyons	Samuel McClure Richard Lyons	Malcolm Rankin Sammy Sharpe
Offering	Andrew Lyons Adam McAfee Stephen Sharpe David Curry Gavin Hartin	Richard Lyons Andrew McCrory Emma Curry Alistair Lyons Clifford Ruddell	Drew McClure M Caldwell W Taggart Jonathan Lyons Ivan Curry	Guthrie Barnes Chris Nevin Helen Lyons Stephen McElnay
PowerPoint	AM: Clare McAfee Drew McClure PM: Drew McClure	Thomas McCrory David Radcliffe	Matthew McCurdy Thomas Nevin	Judith Lyons Andrew McCrory