**BALLYWATT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH** **EMAIL ALL ANNOUNCEMENTS TO ballywatt@email.com**
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**CHURCH NOTICES**
**(In the will of God)**

**3rd September, 2023**
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**In the Name of the Triune God, a warm welcome to every visitor at our service today, please sign Visitor's Book.**

**This Lord's Day (3rd September):**

**11.05-11.20am** **Pre-Service Prayer time** in the minister's room. Everyone welcome.

**11.30am** **Morning Worship:** the Rev Collins will lead and preach from Psalm 56 – "*From fear to faith.*''
*The Praise Group* will give their monthly lead to the Praise of His Name.
Children's Church will meet in the hall after the children's talk in the service.
**Crèche** is available in the church hall.

**7.00pm** **Evening Worship** in committee room. Rev Collins will speak from Proverbs 4:1-27 *"The Only Path unto Life."* Everyone welcome.

**This Week:**

**Mon 04 – Fri 09 Sept (8pm)** **Week of Prayer** to kick off a new season: All meetings in committee room &lead by an elder. Subjects to cover congregational life: services, midweeks, organisations reaching out to children and adults with the Good News of Jesus Christ. Come expecting God to hear as we pray according to His will revealed in Scripture & in Jesus Name. Pleading for a movement of His Spirit to renew and revive and for King Jesus to save our souls in Ballywatt and out in the parish area… we need people to be added to Ballywatt as they believe the Gospel.
**Additional info:** Friday evening is in the church building.

**Tues 5th Sept (2-4pm)** **Afternoon bowls** in hall.
**(7.30-9.30pm)** **Bowling Club** meets for practice. New members will be made very welcome.

**Thurs 7th Sept @10.00am** **Ladies Prayer time** in committee room.

**Fri 8th** **Girls Brigade resumes for 23/24 season** in church hall**:**
**Explorers (pre-school – P4)** from 6.15pm
**Company Sections (P5 – Yr 14)** from 7.30pm.
All girls aged 3-18 are welcome. Contact Mrs Jeni Caldwell on 075264747

**Next Week:**

**10th Sept (11.05-11.20am)** **Pre-Service Prayer time** in the minister's room. Everyone welcome.
**(11.30am)** **Morning Worship** – Rev Collins will conduct worship & look to preach from the Book of Nehemiah in **a NEW Series** – please pray for preacher & hearer.

**Wed 13th (1.30pm)** **Friendship Group**. First meeting of the new session. Speaker: RNLI.
Refreshments provided

**Thurs 14th (10.00am)** **Ladies' Prayer Time** - all women welcome. Meet in committee room.

**Fri 15th (7.00-7.30pm)** **Boys Brigade Registration for 23/24 season in church hall.**
**Girls Brigade** meet in the church halls from 6.15pm – all sections meeting.

**Further Ahead**

**Mon 18th (7.45pm)** **Men Behaving Dadly: 'fathers are more important than you think'** – an 8

Churches event, hosted in Ballywatt, however, this monthly men's meet up is OPEN to ALL interested.
Facilitated by **Andy Lamberton**. Spread the Word. Information cards in vestibule. Other meet-ups on 16th Oct; 20th Nov.; & 11th Dec. Cost: £20.
**Register here** - https://forms.gle/W5y55fUECv8BHaqz9

**Wed. 20th (8.00pm)** **Congregational Prayer Time** in the committee room.

**Friday 22nd (6.15pm)** **GB & BB** meet in our church halls – all sections meeting.

**Tues 26th (7.45pm)** **Kirk Session** in committee room.

**Wed. 4th October (7.45pm)** **HealthCare Christian Fellowship** return to Ballywatt with a follow up course to last February's "**Saline**" training. "***Growing Together as Witnesses"*** will help believers in Jesus care more holistically for family members at home or patients at work in hospital or nursing home. **One does not need to have been to "***Saline***" to attend!**

**Saturday 2nd December** **Christmas Lights Switch-On** at church halls (more details to follow)

**General:**

**Friendship Group** - As a Group we are very dependent on the generosity of the congregation's support on our Annual Offering Sunday. We have no means of income and this offering goes towards paying the speakers and subsidising special meals.
The Offering Sunday will be Sunday 10th September, or anytime around this date, if you are not at Church a donation can be given to any of the committee members. Thank you in anticipation

**Forthcoming Congregational** (including communicant) **membership classes this autumn:**
All who attend Ballywatt regularly, and profess saving faith in Jesus Christ are encouraged to join our fellowship. It is in worshipping and serving God, that we grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus. If, you are NOT YET a church member, please do consider joining the Presbyterian Church in Ireland **HERE in Ballywatt.** Please do speak to Rev Ross about these forthcoming membership classes.

**One further call for helpers to assist** with the work of **Boys' Brigade** or **Girls' Brigade** in **Ballywatt** on Friday evenings over the autumn-winter period?
**In particular, the BB Anchor Boys section** has a leader-in-charge BUT they do need ANOTHER adult to assist in the work. *Let's pray that the LORD will have in store someone to help out.*
If you can help, please do have a word with the respective Captains, Thomas Carson and Jeni Caldwell.

***Semeron*** (Greek for '*This Day*') – Cancer Support Group - have a meeting on Saturday 9th September from 11.00am – 12.30pm in the Lounge @ Trinity Presbyterian Church Hall, Ballymoney. The programme will be led by the *'steering group'* with opportunity for group discussion. For further information & to register your interest contact **www.semeron.org**

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| **Door Welcome** | Jimmy Caldwell<br>Jeni Caldwell | John McCrory<br>Stanley Campbell | John McCrory<br>Stanley Campbell | Richard McClure<br>Stanley Keys |
| **PowerPoint & Sound** | Emma Radcliffe<br>David Radcliffe | Stephen Lyons<br>Drew McClure | Tim Beattie<br>Richard Lyons | Emma Radcliffe<br>David Radcliffe |
| **Crèche** | Cheryl Lyons<br>Linda Nevin | Leanne Beattie<br>Anne Curry | TBC | TBC |