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CHURCH NOTICES
(In the will of God)

19th May, 2024

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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:

11.10 - 11.20am **Prayer time** in the minister's room. All welcome.

11.30am **Morning Worship:** service to be conducted by the Rev. Ross Collins. Have an advance read of Matt.8:5-13 - the faith of the Roman centurion.

Please take your **Christian Aid envelope** and prayerfully consider giving to their annual week of fundraising for the work. Remember to gift aid your donation, if at all possible. Thank you.

7pm **Evening worship** in the committee room. The Rev Collins will lead and read from Genesis 2.2-3 as we consider the original intent of the Sabbath.

This Week:

Tue 21st May 10-11.30am **Tea & Tots meet in Cheeky Chimps** this morning to finish of the year! Thank you to all who volunteered and participated in the group.

10.00am PW Crafters - the ladies meet in the hall for the last time this season. (28th the group eat out, contact Anne B)

2 - 4pm **Afternoon Bowls** in the Moore Mem. Hall.

Wed 22nd May 8.00pm **Midweek-Xtra in committee room** - an opportunity to meet and read the Word of God together and to respond with song and prayer.

Thurs 23rd 10am **Ladies' Prayer time** in the Committee Room.

Sat 25th 10am-12noon **Coffee morning organised by Watt Fun** in the church hall. Everyone welcome.

Open Morning (10-12noon) as well -come and see around the playgroup and meet the team. All preschool children eligible to start from 2 years & 10 months.

Next Week:

Sun 26th May 11.10am **Prayer time** in the minister's room. Please come and pray for Ballywatt congregation & community.

11.30am **Morning Worship** - the Rev. Collins will conduct worship and preach from Matt.8:14-17 - Jesus the healer of all sicknesses not least the sin of God's people.

7pm Evening Worship - Youth Service in church building with Guest Speaker: the Rev Richard Patton and the praise group. **Theme**: "*The Spirit, who makes us alive"* (Ezek37:1-14). Members of our Yf to participate in the service. Refreshments in hall to be served. Do spread the word by inviting others along including other YFs if possible. Let Emma, Jonny & Ross know if you are coming.

Tues 28th 2 -4pm **Afternoon Bowls** in the Moore Mem. Hall.

Wed 29th 8pm **Congregational Prayer time** in committee room. Everyone welcome.

Thurs 30th 10am **Ladies' Prayer time** in the Committee Room**.**

Sun 2nd June 11am (NOTE: earlier time!) Children's Day service - the Sunday School and Praise Group will take part. Our Guest speaker will be the Rev. Roland Watt (Killymurris PCI); he & Ross will pulpit swap today. Please do bring a PICNIC for our church lunch after the service. Ice-cream, tea & coffee will be served afterwards.

General:

The **election of the Congregational Committee** will take place on 26 May & 02 June. Please do check that the voting lists displayed in church vestibule and church hall on 12th & 19th May. If there is reason to contact our minister please do so in writing: 8 Ballywatt Road, Coleraine, BT52 2LT or via email: rossco_collins@hotmail.com. by 12noon on Tuesday 21st May. Voting papers will be available from 26th May at morning service. Kirk Session will meet to count on 4th June.

Extract from the PCI code: CHAPTER XII - ELECTION PROCEDURES SECTION I - QUALIFIED VOTERS.

175. (1) Voting members in the Church are communicants on the roll of the congregation who are listed, whether by name or number, as having contributed to the stipend or weekly freewill offering of the congregation in the last financial year.
(2) In addition to those so listed the following shall also be qualified, if themselves communicants on the roll
- (a) A wife shall be qualified on a husband's contribution, and vice versa, where both are communicants. This shall also apply should the contributor himself or herself not be a communicant. If neither husband nor wife in such circumstances is a communicant, then their contribution shall qualify the eldest child, residing in the family, who is on the communicants' roll.
- (b) Should a contributor, who is not a communicant, be a member of a family residing together, then his contribution shall qualify the eldest member residing in the family who is on the communicants' roll.
- (c) Those who have been added to the communicants' roll of the congregation since the close of the last financial year, upon confirmation by the treasurer that they have contributed during the current year, shall also be qualified voters.
176. Lists of voting members shall be prepared and made available as follows:
(c) Should any member of the congregation who claims to be a voting member desire to make an objection regarding any name on the list, or omitted from the list, he shall lodge his objections, with his reasons in writing, with the Moderator of Kirk Session within a week of the first publication of the lists by any of the prescribed methods; and the Kirk Session shall give its decision thereon or refer the matter for decision by Presbytery.

Please Note, that for the summer months - June -July- August - we will be starting at the earlier time of 11.00am. We will have a prayer time at 10.35am in the minister's room. There will be refreshments served in the church hall afterwards. This will be an opportunity to share with one another over a cuppa & God willing bind us together by faith in King Jesus.

Men's Fellowship - following on from autumn's Men Behaving Dadly events held in Ballywatt for fathers from local congregations, we will host a follow up men's event at Ballywatt manse on Mon. 27th May from 7.30pm. There will be a BBQ and an opportunity for us to think through how we can help and support one another in days of challenge and tempation but also of great opportunity. Spread the word, and let us gather a crowd.

Mission/ pastoral/ evangelism: We have a gift for you &/ or a neighbour of yours from Scripture Gift Mission (SGM). Please have a browse in the Little Brick of Little Books on the church vestibule and take and give away for FREE these colourful Scripture resources "*My word will not return empty" declares the LORD* (Isaiah 55:11b)

Rota	**Sun 19th May**	**Sun 26th May**	**Sun 2nd June**	**Sun 9th June**
Door Welcome	David Curry Malcolm Rankin	David Curry Malcolm Rankin	Sammy Sharpe Jimmy Caldwell	Sammy Sharpe Jimmy Caldwell
PowerPoint & Sound	Stephen/Lydia Lyons Drew McClure	Tim/Josh Beattie Richard Lyons	Emma Radcliffe David Radcliffe	Stephen/Lydia Lyons Drew McClure
Crèche	Sarah Lyons Alison Radcliffe	Sarah Lyons Alison Radcliffe	No crèche but the facilities are available	Emma Cochrane Cheryl Lyons