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CHURCH NOTICES
(In the will of God)

15th December, 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:

Sun 15th Dec	**10.30am**	**Christmas Choir Practice** in the Committee Room preparation for our **Carol Service** on Sunday the 22nd December.
	11.10am	**Prayer time** in Minister's room.
	11.30am	**Morning Worship** – Rev Collins leading and preaching from Luke 1: 67-70 – Zechariah's Song. Praise Group will take part. There are envelopes in the pew for the PCI's World Development Appeal. Please prayerfully consider making a donation to the cause on 22nd & 29th December, 2024
	7pm	**Evening Worship** in the Committee Room conducted by Rev Collins

This Week:

Mon 16th	**7pm**	**Bohill Nursing Home Carol Service** – Ballywatt members are welcome to join Rev Collins and Amanda Doak as we read Scripture and pray together and sing the carols. If you are interested in coming along, please speak to Ross or Amanda ASAP.
Tue 17th Dec	**10am**	**NO Tea and Tots until 7th January 2025**
	2pm - 4pm	Afternoon Bowls - last one until 07 January, 2025
	7.30pm	**Evening Bowls** in Church Hall.
Wed 18th	**8.00pm**	Midweek 'extra' in committee room - come let's sing God's Praises, read His Word & pray to Him & for others - All to His Glory
Thurs 19th	**9.45am**	**NOTE: NO Ladies Prayer** time until the New Year
	6.30- 7.30pm	**Community Revival Prayer Time** in Stephen & Hester Clark's home. Note: last one until further notice in the new year.
Fri 20th	**6.15-9.30pm**	**Girls' Brigade** meet up in Church Hall **Boys' Brigade:** Anchors & Juniors **6.15-7.30pm.** Company meet **from 7.30pm** Last meet ups before Christmas break. Resuming on Fri 10th January '25

Next Week:

Sun 22nd Dec	**11.30am**	**Christmas Carol Service** – Choir participation & congregational carol singing
Tues 24th Dec	**7pm**	**Christmas Eve Service** in the church building with participation from Sunday School and Church Choir.

Further Ahead

Mon. 6th - Fri 10th Jan 8pm Week of Prayer in committee room (Friday in church vestibule). Ladies prayer time on Thurs 9th)

Wed. 8th Jan **1.30pm Friendship Group** in Committee Room. Guest Speaker: Alan Carson, "A Father's Fear"

General:

Please would **treasurers of our congregational organisations** have their end of year financial accounts with David Radcliffe, the congregational Treasurer, by the end of ***31st December 2024***. Many thanks.

Taking Care - just a reminder to all leaders and helpers in our youth organisations, you are required to keep your training up to date. You should complete the training every three years. If you missed our last training session in Ballywatt or are a new leader then PCI now offer both in person and online zoom style training.
This training can accessed by completing an online form, go to http://www.presbyterianireland.org, search for Taking Care training and you will find a link for a jot form to complete. Going forward PCI hope to be offering this training on a monthly basis so you should get a date in 2025 that suits you. Any issues please feel free to contact myself (John) or Valerie.

Causeway Foodbank - as a congregation, we will be donating to the worthy cause! We will receive donations to the church vestibule (or if marked accordingly in the church hall) on Sun. 22nd & 29th December.

The foodbank relies on our goodwill and support. Over 90% of the food distributed by foodbanks in The Trussell Trust network is donated by the public – that's why your food donations are absolutely vital to our ability to give everyone referred to us a balanced and nutritious three day supply of food.
The foodbank has publicised - **Urgently needed food items (*Most urgent)**

- Tinned meat*
- Long life fruit or diluting juice
- Coffee
- UHT milk
- Jam
- Super Noodles
- Shampoo & Conditioner.

We've got plenty of

- Beans
- Soup
- Pasta
- Cereal

Rota	Sun 15th Dec	Sun 22nd Dec	Christmas Eve 24th	Sun 29th Dec
Door Welcome	Joyce Lyons Stanley Campbell	Joyce Lyons Stanley Campbell	John Campbell David Curry	John Campbell David Curry
PowerPoint & Sound	Stephen/Lydia Lyons Drew McClure	Tim/Joshua Beattie Richard Lyons	Emma Radcliffe David Radcliffe	Stephen/Lydia Lyons Drew McClure