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CHURCH NOTICES
(In the will of God)

5th January, 2025

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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 5th Jan **11.10am** **Prayer time** in Minister's room.

11.30am **Morning Worship** - Rev Collins will conduct this morning's service. There will be no Sunday School this week.

This Week:

Mon 6th - Fri 10th Jan **8pm** **Week of Prayer** in the Committee Room (Friday in church vestibule).

Tues 7th **10.00am** **Tea & Tots** resumes for 2025.

2-4pm **Afternoon bowls** resumes for 2025. Everyone welcome.

Wed 8th **1.30pm** **Friendship Group** meet in the Committee Room. Guest Speaker: Alan Carson, "A Father's Fear." Alan will recount this time of fear and faith, and how God brought him through the 22 days of Alana's kidnapping. Please come along and bring a friend to hear an inspiring story of hope in a desperate situation.

Thurs 9th **9.45am** **Ladies' prayer time** in the Committee Room.

Fri 10th **6.15-9.30pm** **Girls' Brigade** resumes for 2025 in the halls.
Boys' Brigade resumes as well. Anchors & Juniors: **6:15-7.30pm**.
Company meet **from 7.30pm.**

Next Week:

Sunday 12th Jan **11.05am** **Kirk Session** meet in the Committee Room.

11.10am **Prayer time.**

11.30am **Morning worship** conducted by the Rev Collins, who will also administer the sacrament of the Lord's Supper.
Sunday School resumes this season over in the hall before the sermon (& the Lord's Supper)

Tues 14th **10.00am** **Tea & Tots**.

2-4pm **Afternoon bowls**. Everyone welcome.

7.45pm **Kirk Session** meets in the committee room.

Thurs 16th **9.45am** **Ladies' prayer time** in the Committee Room.

Fri 17th **6.15-9.30pm** **Girls' Brigade** meet.
Boys' Brigade: Anchors & Juniors: **6:15-7.30pm**.
Company meet **from 7.30pm.**

Sat 18th **2-4pm** Our **Presbyterian Women** meet in the Committee Room with guests "Precept Ministries." Theme: "*Entrusted to Lead.*" Please do contact Louise Kirk for further details.

Further Ahead:

Mon 27th **7.45pm** **Men's Monthly Meet-up** - we resume our men's catch up at the manse. Please do spread the word & consider joining us as we discuss *"Being the Man, God wants us to be." We use a book entitled "Reclaiming Masculinity,"* which is challenging yet helpful - let me know if you'd appreciate a copy..

Fri 31st **'Coffee and Chat'** will recommence in The Lodge Hotel. Come and enjoy friendship and fellowship alongside our Church Family.

General:

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.

A BIG thank you to everyone who donated to our Christmas Appeals at the end of December - to the Causeway Foodbank & to the PCI World Development Appeal. Your kindness is much appreciated by people near and far.

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Door Welcome	Richard McClure Malcolm Rankin	Richard McClure Malcolm Rankin	Louise Kirk Sammy Sharpe	Louise Kirk Sammy Sharpe
PowerPoint & Sound	Tim/Joshua Beattie Richard Lyons	Emma Radcliffe David Radcliffe	Stephen/Lydia Lyons Drew McClure	Tim/Joshua Beattie Richard Lyons