### **Christmas 2017**



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#### **Services**

Today is World Development Sunday when we particularly focus Happy Christmas to all our members. By now you will have received among other things a World Development Envelope.

Please donate generously.

## Sunday 24th December 11:00am Morning Worship

Sermon: 'The Gifts Brought by the Wise

men' Scripture: Matthew 2 v 1-12

**Rev David Brice** 

**6:00pm Evening Worship** "Simple Christmas Stories" Youth Fellowship et al

# Monday 25th December 10:00am Christmas Morning Service

To include collection for World Development Appeal

## Sunday 31st December 11:00am Morning Worship

Sermon: 'The measure of God's love'

Scripture: John 3 v 16 – 21

Rev George Moore
No Evening Worship

#### **Sunday 7th January 2018**

**11:00am Morning Worship** COMMUNION Sermon: 'United in Christ, Harmony in the

Church, Witness in the World' Scripture: 1 Corinthians 10 v 14-11 v1 Rev David Brice

7:00pm Evening Worship

Series: Discovering Jesus Sermon: 'The

Presence of God' Rev David Brice

#### **Christmas Events**

**Tuesday 26th December, 10:00am to 12noon** - Boxing Day Bash

**Wednesday 27th December, 3:00 to 5:00pm -** Christmas Football

Thursday 28th December, 7:30 pm - Annual Christmas Quiz

**Sunday 31st December** - please note there is no evening service

Monday 1st January, 1:30pm - New Year's Walk

#### **Forthcoming Events January 2018**

Sunday 7th January - Communion Service
Wednesday 10th January - Special Mid Week with Pru Bell
Sunday 28th January - Review and Renew Service (The
congregation will be updated on the progress of our Roof
and Renovation Fund and there will be a launch of our Social
Media)

### **Discipleship Events**

**MID WEEK BIBLE STUDY:** will recommence on Wednesday 3rd January at 7:30pm in the Burney Room.

special MID WEEK EVENT: Wednesday 10th January 2018 at 7:30pm. The author, Prudence Bell of "Lives from a Black Tin Box" will re-tell the story of her great-grandparents, Herbert and Elizabeth Dixon who were martyred as Christian missionaries in China during the Boxer uprising in 1900.

#### **Organisation Notices**

SUNDAY CLUB There will be no Sunday Club on Sunday 31st December but will resume on Sunday 7th January 2018.

MEN TOGETHER outing to Belfast Cathedral on Wednesday 10th January 2018. Meeting at the church at 10:15am. Following the visit tea/coffee and scones have been arranged in The Mac which is just behind the cathedral. Men wishing to go on this visit should sign the sheet which is in Mosaic.

#### **Church Notices**

**WORLD DEVELOPMENT APPEAL:** Please return your envelope during the Christmas Morning Service. All donations go to the work of Tear Fund and Christian Aid. **LEPROSY MISSION:** Total amount given to Leprosy mission was £753.23. Thanks to all who contributed.

**SHOEBOX CHRISTMAS FUNDRAISER APPEAL:** A big thank you to all those who supported us in our recent craft fundraiser. Donations totalled £550. This will go a long way to help in the work for 2018. A Merry Christmas and A Happy and peaceful New Year. The Shoebox team.

**BOXING DAY BASH** on Tuesday 26th December 10:00am to 12noon. Come work off all that extra turkey you have eaten. See Paul Kyle for details.

CHRISTMAS FOOTBALL afternoon on Wednesday 27th December from 3:00 to 5:00pm at the Soccer Shed in Ballyclare. Adults=£10; Children=£5 see Peter Shepherd. THE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS QUIZ will be on Thursday 28th December starting at 7:30 pm. Donations in aid of the Eileen Moreland Foundation.

**THE NEW YEAR'S WALK** on Monday 1st January will meet at the car park in Antrim Castle at 1:30pm. People and pets all very welcome.

**CHURCH ACCOUNTS** will close 31st December 2017. Any donations received after this date will be included in 2018 accounts.

**ANNOUNCEMENT SHEETS:** This is the last announcement sheet for 2017. The next printed sheet will be available on Sunday 7th January 2018. The church office will be closed until Thursday 4th January 2018.

Why not take out a Herald subscription for 2018? The Presbyterian Herald is the monthly magazine of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. Containing news, features and general information about our Church's work, both at home and overseas, it is a useful way to keep up to date with what is going on in PCI. Why not give someone a subscription for Christmas this year or think about taking a subscription out for yourself. A yearly subscription of 10 issues cost just £10 through our congregational agent. For a sample copy or to subscribe please contact Margaret Gormley.

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24/12/17	Paula Boland	Laura Semple		Fay Babalola
31/12/17	Ann Robinson	Pam Murray		Ali Cooke
7/1/18	Lynsey McQueen	Helen Horner		Jane McClelland
14/1/18	Lorna Madeley	Ann Hardy		Susan Law
DATE	OPENING/CLOSING			
24/12/17			John Armstrong	
31/12/17		Ray Gormley		
7/1/18		Kyle Irwin		
14/1/17		Robin McBride		

Christmas Greetings from the manse. Thank you to those who sent us Christmas Cards. May we wish you a happy Christmas and a peaceful New Year. Love David & Essie.



Friday evening 23rd and Saturday 24th March. Young adults conference. Booking opens 8th January at

www.presbyterianireland.org/transform

THE PCI YOUTH ASSEMBLY is once again taking place on Saturday 10th February 2018 in Assembly Buildings from 2-9pm. Delegates are aged between 15-25, the cost is £8 per delegate and the closing date is 22nd January 2018. Further information and booking forms can be found online at https://www.presbyterianireland.org/Events/Youth-Assembly-2018.aspx

PCI SUMMER OUTREACH TEAMS offer opportunities to be part of what God is doing through a variety of churches & projects working with children, teens, adults and in the community to show and share the Good News of Jesus with a needy world. Information on the teams and full details of how to apply can be found online at https://www.presbyterianireland.org/Mission/Mission-Projects/Summer-Mission-Teams.aspx

MY PLACE: An evening exploring ways of including children with special additional needs in worship and children's ministry. For all members of congregations:

5th February 2018 Muckamore Presbyterian

2nd May 2018 Ballygawley Presbyterian

#### **Community Notices**

Methodist Centre,

Ballyclare Road, Glengormley



Thursday 28th December 2-4pm & 5:15-8pm

#### **Save Lives**

#### If you are visiting here this morning:

- There is a crèche in the Minor Hall (ask for directions).
- Primary school aged children can join our Sunday Club; watch for children leaving during the service.
- Kids Bags are being revamped, please bear with us.
- If your child needs a break during the service feel free to leave and go to the entrance area.

If you don't wish to take your announcement sheet or sermon notes home please return them to the holder in entrance.

**OPEN DOOR** will resume on Thursday 4th January 2018 from 11:30am to 12:30pm. You can call in or you may wish to phone in advance.

**RECORDINGS OF SUNDAY SERVICES** are available from the sound team in the balcony.

**PRAYER BOX:** Please leave any prayer requests in the box in entrance

**OFFICE HOURS:** closed until Thursday 4th January 2018 12:30-3:30 pm

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