

# 30th September 2018



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## Services

***Welcome to our guest speaker at this morning's service,  
Rev Reuben McCormick, Ballysillan Presbyterian Church***

**Sunday 30th September**

**10:45am Kids Worship**

**11:00am Morning Worship** HARVEST Guest Speaker: Rev Reuben McCormick

**7:00pm Evening Worship** HARVEST Rev David Brice

**Wednesday 3rd October**

**7:30pm Pre-communion Service** Rev David Brice

**Sunday 7th October**

**11:00am Morning Worship** Series: Grounded in God's Love. Sermon: 'Blessings 5, 6 and 7; I am chosen by the Father, in Christ and guaranteed by the Spirit'

Scripture: Ephesians 1 v 11-16 Rev David Brice

**6:00pm Evening Worship** Begin, Belong Become Song Cafe

## Discipleship Events

**MID WEEK :** See Services Notice - Pre-communion Wednesday 3rd October at 7:30pm in the church

## Leadership Notices

**KIRK SESSION CONVENORS** will meet after the Pre-communion service in the Minister's Room on Wednesday 3rd October

**ADVANCE NOTICE:** STATED KIRK SESSION MEETING Tuesday 9th October at 7:30pm in the Burney Room

**ALL ORGANISATION AND LIFE GROUP LEADERS:** Please provide office secretary updated contact details for your organisation or life group.

## Organisation Notices

**PW (Presbyterian Women)** next meet on Monday 1st October 2018 at 8:00pm in the Burney Room. Come, join us and spend an evening with our own Alison Orr. ALL LADIES WELCOME. Anyone wishing to come to PW but has no transport to get to our meeting, please let Isobel McKenna or any PW member know. Arrangements will then be made to organise a lift.

**THE WALKING CLUB** will meet on Wednesday 3rd October at 9:30 am in the Burney Room. We intend to walk at Holywood. Everyone is welcome to join us for a walk followed by coffee and scones!

**THURSDAY TOGETHER:** We will be having Stephen Gourley giving us a talk on his work as Community Navigator for Newtownabbey. Stephen will be able to make us aware of the services available to older people [over 50 ] including Home Safety Checks, Good Morning Calls, Befriending Scheme, Benefit Entitlement Checks etc. You will be welcome to join us at 2:30pm in the Burney Room.

♫ **JAZZ HUB** will meet at 7:00pm on Friday 5th October to explore the importance of a beat shaped by the iconic figures in jazz drumming.

## Church Notices

**PRESBYTERIAN HERALD:** Copies of the October edition of the Presbyterian Herald are ready for collection from the library corner.

**OMF IRELAND CONFERENCE** 5th-7th October at Glenada, Newcastle. You are welcome to join us for the full weekend or for just the Saturday. More information can be found and bookings made here...

<https://omf.org/uk/events/ireland-conference-2018/>



The Prayer Fellowship of Church of the Holy Spirit, Mossley Parish will host a Prayer Evening for Antrim and Newtownabbey Street Pastors. The invitation is extended to all. Some refreshments will be provided afterwards.

**AFRICA IN FOCUS:** Friday 26th October 2018 at 7.30pm in Saintfield Road Presbyterian Church, Belfast. An evening focusing on PCI's involvement in mission work in Africa. Everyone welcome

**RAISING FAITH:** Care for the family, Helping our children find a faith that lasts. Thursday 15th November at 7:30pm in Glenmachan Church of God. To book [cff.org.uk/raisingfaith](http://cff.org.uk/raisingfaith)

## BEGIN, BELONG, BECOME

On Saturday 6th October 2019 the church will be open between 09:00am-10:00am for 'PRAY WHERE YOU SIT'. The idea behind it is that every pew in the church will be prayed over before each of the special Gospel outreach Services. Praying that God will not only fill the pews with family, friends and neighbours but also his word will touch hearts, convict of sin, save souls and change lives. The invitation is open to everyone whether they wish to stay for the hour or 5 minutes or just pray over one or two pews. It's totally a personal choice. No pressure.

**BEGIN, BELONG, BECOME:** a series of three special services, 7th October, 4th November, 2nd December all at 6pm. Personal Stories, Guest Speakers, Stirring Soloists, Contemporary Praise.

### BEGIN—Sunday 7th October at 6pm

**Matthew Horner** a few years ago was mending roads for the Road Service. He has now begun training to be a Presbyterian Minister. What motivated him to go from Road Maintenance to Soul Maintenance? Come and find out.

**Emma Cooke**, student, a beginner on her spiritual journey. What is it like to be a young Christian in today's world?

**Sam Gourley**, when life unravels you have to begin again. How did Sam make a new beginning?

**Susan Graham** (semi professional) will sing Amazing Grace, the story in song of John Newton beginning in Christ... And much more... Come and bring a friend.

## LIFE TOGETHER

As Essie and I came back from holidays this year, we felt that God was directing us to encourage the church to do 'life together'. We feel in the very individualistic society in which we live people are missing out on the enrichment of shared living. The church is a family, we are brothers and sisters. So the theme 'Life Together' will appear and reappear throughout the year. You will see it in our BEGIN, BELONG, BECOME series but also in two other events that our church are seeking to develop. Here are the dates:

**16-18 November** Congregational Residential Weekend at Bushmills Hostel. Cost £50 per adult, children go free. The hostel has 19 rooms and can accommodate 80 people.

**20th April 2019** Project Romania Team. Minimum 1 week, maximum 2 weeks. House building, children's ministry, food and clothing ministry. All ages and families welcome. Approximate cost £500 per person including flights, accommodation and transport. Further details to follow.



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## Prayer Diary

**Monday:** Pray for wisdom in resolving the current political situation in Northern Ireland. Pray that Christian leaders and politicians would speak words of knowledge and wisdom to restore Stormont so that decisions can be made to benefit our communities.

**Tuesday:** There has been a clamp down in certain provinces in China stopping people sharing the gospel which is making it nearly impossible to talk about their faith without being persecuted. Pray that believers would have courage to share their faith and that they would know God's protection.

**Wednesday:** Thank you for all those people who serve in youth and church organisations. We thank you for organisations who are involved with unchurched children and young people like Youth for Christ and Crown Jesus ministries. Pray that youth leaders would have opportunities to share the gospel and that the children/ young people would come to faith.

**Thursday:** Pray for those people who are homeless in Belfast especially with the temperatures dropping that they would have shelter, clothing and food. Thank you for Christian organisations like Salvation Army and EBM who make sure these people have their physical, emotional and spiritual needs met.

**Friday:** Thank you for all those people involved in looking after children who are adopted or fostered. Pray that these children would know they are loved and give their careers strength and encouragement as they support these children.

**Saturday:** Pray for refugees and their families who are in war torn countries especially Syria and those living in Northern Ireland. Thank you for organisations and professionals who are providing support so that their spiritual and physical needs are met.

**Sunday:** Thank you for those who have attended the Begin Belong Become event at GPC so far. Continue to pray for those who are interested in Christianity and that they would make a decision to come to faith.

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

**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.
- If your child is staying during the sermon there are kids packs available at the library corner (back left of church). Please feel free to get them before or during the service.
- If your child needs a break during the service feel free to leave and go to the entrance area.

**OFFICE HOURS:** The Church Office will open on Thursdays 12:30-3:30pm & Sundays 9:45-10:45am. Any announcements for next week to be with the office by 12noon on Thursday.

**OPEN DOOR** Rev Brice will be available in the Minister's Room on Thursdays from 11:30am to 12:30pm. You can call in or you may wish to phone in advance to make an appointment.

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

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

DATE	OPENING/CLOSING	CRECHE		
30th September	Ray Gormley	Lesley Bell	Fay Babalola	Lorraine Metson
7th October	Clive Spearman	Jane McClelland	May Horner	Anna Wright
14th October	Noel Bell	Lorna Madeley	Ann Hardy/Susan Law	Hannah McKinstry