

# 1st December 2019

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## Services

### Sunday 1st December

#### 11:00am Morning Worship

Rev Colin Morrison

#### 7:00pm Evening Worship

Series: Studies in James

Sermon: 'Faith and Works'

Scripture: James 2 v 14-26

Rev George Moore

### Sunday 8th December

#### 11:00am Morning Worship

Mr Matthew Horner

#### 7:00pm Evening Worship

Rev Drew Abernethy

#### *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.

## Forthcoming Events

**Friday 6th December, 7pm** - Marriage Course

**Friday 13th December, 7pm** - Book Club

**Saturday 14th December** - CREW Christmas Party

**Friday 20th December, 7pm** - Mosaic Quiz

**Saturday 21st December, 7pm** - Mosaic Mince Pies and Carols

**Sunday 22nd December, 11am** - Children's Christmas Service

**Sunday 22nd December, 6pm** - Sing Christmas

**Wednesday 25th December, 10am** - Christmas Morning Service

**Friday 27th December, 3-5pm** - Soccer Shed

**Saturday 28th December, 7:30pm** - Christmas Table Quiz

**Wednesday 1st January, 1:30pm** - New Year's Day Walk

## Discipleship Events

**MID-WEEK PRAYER MEETING** Wednesday 4th December at 7:30pm in the Burney Room led by Rev George Moore.

**PRAYER MEETING:** Starting this morning and on the 1st Sunday of each month thereafter, there will be a prayer meeting in the minor hall from 10:30am-10:45am. Please come and join us. All welcome

## Leadership Notices

**KIRK SESSION:** There will be a brief meeting of Kirk Session with Vacancy Convenor after this morning's service in the Burney Room.

**ADVANCE NOTICE: KIRK SESSION** Meeting with Vacancy Convenor at 7:30pm on Tuesday 10th December 2019 in Burney Room.

## Organisation Notices

**PW RECYCLED CLOTHES:** Thank you - Total amount raised to date £2770. As this project is finishing at end of December please bring any unwanted clothing and leave in library corner. Thanks

**PW Mission boxes/donations** are now due. Please give to Valerie Raphael ASAP. Thank you.

**LEPROSY MISSION BOXES** are now due. Please give to Rosemary Ruddy as soon as possible.

**WALKING CLUB** Christmas lunch will be held this Wednesday, 4th December, in Tullyglass House Hotel, Ballymena, at 12:30pm. All those

with their name down, please meet in the Burney Room at 11am. Anyone wishing to join us, please speak to John Lindsay.

**THURSDAY TOGETHER:** Our Annual Carol Service will be taking place this week with Douglas leading and members of the group reading the lessons. We will also have some members of the choir joining us in the carols. You will be welcome to join us at 2:30pm in the Burney Room.

## Church Notices

**FWO CONTRIBUTIONS:** The last day for receipt of contributions to be included in the 2019 financial statements is Sunday 29th December. Any contributions received after that date will be included in the 2020 financial statements.

**ANNUAL LEAVE:** Our church visitor, Jim Lyttle is on annual leave for the next 10 days.

**FOOD HYGIENE INSPECTION:** Thank you to Roberta Elliott and Lorraine Metson for once again seeing us safely through another inspection by council.

As a church we have supported the **Newtownabbey Foodbank** for the past few years. As Christmas approaches there are groups of people who struggle to make ends meet. The ethos of the foodbank is: 'We don't think anyone in our community should have to face going hungry. That's why we provide three days' nutritionally balanced emergency food and support to local people who are referred to us in crisis. We are part of a nationwide network of foodbanks, supported by The Trussell Trust, working to combat poverty and hunger across the UK.' Please can we continue to give to this worthy organisation by leaving items in the vestibule over the coming weeks, these will then be delivered to the Newtownabbey Foodbank. The following items are urgently needed: tinned fruit (400 gms), tea bags (80's), dried pasta (500 gms), UHT milk (1 Litre) and breakfast cereals. At present the Foodbank have enough beans and sugar. Thanks, Jonathan.

**The Glengormley Clergy Fellowship Bible Week** has been confirmed for Sunday 26th to Thursday 30th January 2020 and will be held every evening at Mossley Primary School, each meeting beginning at 7:30pm. Bishop Ken Clarke will speak. There will be a joint worship band,

testimonies given, news from Mission organisations, a bookstall and a prayer ministry team recruited who will be available to pray with people at the end of each evening. The event will be advertised after Christmas. We wanted to prepare for the week by covering and saturating it in prayer so have arranged 3 prayer meetings in the weeks leading up to the Bible Week. These will begin at 7:30pm and will be on:

- ◇ Wednesday 8th January in Newtownabbey Elim Church, Ballyearl Rise, Mossley
- ◇ Wednesday 15th January in Glenvana Christian Centre, 34A Ballynure Road, BT36 5SW
- ◇ Wednesday 22nd January in Holy Spirit Mossley Church of Ireland on Manse Road.

Please pray for this upcoming event and, if possible, plan to attend the prayer meetings prior to the event and the week itself.



SANDS Carol service for anyone who has lost a baby or a child either before or after birth. Sunday 1st December at 7:30pm at Carnmoney Parish Church. Everybody welcome

**THE HERALD** magazines are available for collection from the library corner.

#### WHY NOT TAKE OUT A HERALD SUBSCRIPTION FOR 2020?

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## Vacancy Update

Time to keep everyone up to date with progress in our vacancy. Over the last couple of weeks I have contacted all those ministers and licentiate ministers whose names you submitted for consideration. Responses are still coming back to me.

Kirk Session is meeting on 10th December to consider the responses and agree on what the next steps in the process will be. All being well, early in 2020, we will be able to invite candidates for interview, with a view to then drawing up a short list of candidates who will each be invited to preach in the congregation on successive Sundays with a view to making out a call to one of them. Too early yet to have a definite timetable but the next few months will be very significant in the whole process. Please to continue to pray for wisdom for everyone involved at this stage, that God may lead the one of His choosing to Glengormley and lead Glengormley to the one He has chosen for us. As well as continuing to pray, please continue to be faithful in worship, Sunday by Sunday and in

**PRAYER MEETING:** Sundays at 6:30pm in the Minor Hall.

**PRAYER BOX:** Please leave any prayer requests in the box in the entrance area—beside the sign up desk.

**ANNOUNCEMENT SHEETS:** Office hours are Thursdays 12.30-3.30pm. Any announcements need to be with the office by 12 noon on Thursdays.

**CHURCH CALENDAR:** We maintain a church calendar of events on the **Church's website**. If you have a date for a Glengormley Presbyterian Church event that you want on the church calendar, please contact the church office.

**YOUR CONTACT DETAILS:** If these should change, please notify the office so that we can keep our records up to date.

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

the other aspects of church life, thus encouraging one another as we meet together. Thank you to all those who have been working so hard on getting the Manse ready for the new minister to move into when that day comes.

Thank you too for all your support and encouragement over the last six months – doesn't time pass so quickly! As we enter the season of advent, may God bless you all and may you and yours have a really blessed Christmas as we celebrate Immanuel – God with us.

*Colin Morrison ( Vacancy Convener)*

## With Regret

With regret we announce the death of Mrs Ruth McBride, 22 Collinbridge Drive. Funeral took place on Friday 29th November followed by Service of Thanksgiving in Glengormley Presbyterian Church. We extend our sympathy to her husband, Robin, sons Richard and Kenneth and family circle.

## Prayer Diary

**"Before they call I will answer; while they are still speaking I will hear" says the Lord.**  
**Isaiah 65: v 24**

**Monday 2nd December** Give thanks to God for the faithful preaching of His Word. Give thanks for all who work behind the scenes, making the buildings ready for use and enabling the congregation to worship to the Glory of God.

**Tuesday 3rd December** As we pray for peace in our land remember also to pray for the city of Jerusalem in the land of Israel as they continually face their enemies. Pray that we would choose wisely when we vote so that our country would be guided by more Godly people.

**Wednesday 4th December** Continue to pray for the leadership and members of our organisations and groups. Pray that those who come to faith in Christ would find peace and nourishment as they grow in the Christian faith.

**Thursday 5th December** Pray for those you know who serve the Lord far from home and family. Pray that they would know His strength, love and guidance as they preach and teach His Word to those willing to hear.

**Friday 6th December** Pray for the new Prayer Meetings and existing Prayer Groups in the church. Pray that many would be able to attend. Pray for the leaders and those in attendance that they would know they are led by Your Spirit.

**Saturday 7th December** There are many Christian Organisations doing God's Work. Please pray also for the work of CBM (Christian Blind Mission). Their doctors and Medical Teams work in some of the poorest countries in the world carrying out eye operations and do so in the name of Jesus.

**Sunday 8th December** Give thanks to God for the many blessings we have received. Continue to pray for the band and choir members as they lead us in worship week by week. Thank Him for those who bring His Precious Word to us.

There are many people unable to worship with us. Lift them up to the Saviour, asking Him to meet with them in their place of need.

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

Glengormley Presbyterian Church is currently in vacancy. In the event of a pastoral emergency where a minister is required, please contact the vacancy convener, Rev. Colin Morrison on 028 90770301. For all other enquiries please contact the Clerk of Session, Mr Derek Kyle, on 028 9335 2536.

| DATE          | OPENING/CLOSING | CRECHE           |                           | LOCATION    |
|---------------|-----------------|------------------|---------------------------|-------------|
| 1st December  | Bryan Marshall  | Lesley Bell      | Lorna Madeley             | Minor Hall  |
| 8th December  | Samuel Gourley  | Jane McClelland  | May Horner                | Dunlop Hall |
| 15th December | Alan Thomson    | Hannah McKinstry | Jane McClelland/Susan Law | Minor Hall  |