

# 24th May 2020



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## Services

*Please join us on **Sunday morning** as we stay at home and link in with North Belfast Presbytery Service of Worship.*

*This has been organised with the help of a number of people from across our Presbytery and Rev Dr Graham Connor has kindly agreed to be our guest preacher. The link will be published on Facebook and our website.*

*Our Moderator will also continue his series of sermons entitled 'Hope beyond lockdown' at <https://www.presbyterianireland.org/>*

## Church Notices

**PRAYER MEETING:** Sunday 24th May at **8pm** via Zoom.

Email: [office@glengormley.org](mailto:office@glengormley.org), message our Facebook page Glengormley Presbyterian Church or telephone 028 93352536 for Meeting ID.

**INSTALLATION OF THE NEW MODERATOR OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY** at 7:00pm on Monday evening 1st June 2020. This will take the form of a service of worship, which will be live-streamed so that others can be part of this important occasion in the life of our Church. Fuller details will be given in next week's announcement sheet.

**SCAM WARNING** - There have been reports in Newtownabbey of people calling at doors stating they are collecting church envelopes. BEWARE - this is a scam! We would not send anyone to your door for money!

**FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS:** A word of thanks to all those who are continuing to contribute to the church finances throughout the lockdown via standing order or one off electronic bank payments. While running costs have significantly reduced some are ongoing and your continuing financial commitment to the congregation is extremely valuable. If anyone else would like advice on how to continue contributing to the work of the congregation at this time please contact the church office on [office@glengormley.org](mailto:office@glengormley.org) or 028 9335 2536 and leave email or phone contact details. Mark, our treasurer, will get in contact with you to discuss options. We also ask that those who are not able to do this to keep a note of what their

normal contributions would have been and bring them by way of thanksgiving and rejoicing when we return to normal Sunday services.

**LIFE GROUPS:** Some of our life groups are continuing to meet for bible study and prayer via Zoom. If you are interested in joining one, please contact us for details.

**WHATSAPP:** Another way of keeping in touch with other members of our church family is through the use of WhatsApp. We have set up a group chat for those who are interested in exchanging encouragements and ideas. If you would like to be part of this group, please email [office@glengormley.org](mailto:office@glengormley.org) or telephone 028 93352536 with your contact details.

**Facebook:** Please follow us on Facebook or check back on our website for the most up to date information. Our Church Website [www.glengormley.org](http://www.glengormley.org) also has links to online services each Sunday.

**PASTORAL CARE:** Elders have been trying to keep in touch with families in their districts. If you or anyone you are aware of is in need at this time please contact your elder, email [office@glengormley.org](mailto:office@glengormley.org) message our Facebook page or telephone 028 93352536.

## With Regret

With regret we announce the death of Mr Ray Gormley, formerly of 13 Sandyknowles Avenue on 19th May 2020. We extend our sympathy to his wife Margaret, daughters Diane and Pauline and sons Bryan and Peter and family circle.

# Prayer Diary

## *A prayer for love in a time of loss*

God of all comfort,  
hear our cry in this time of loss,  
when emotions are on edge,  
hearts are hurting,  
lament is lasting,  
and we are processing our pain.  
Tender Father,  
draw alongside us in our brokenness,  
with your rod and staff to comfort us,  
with your unfailing love to bind our wounds,  
with your peace that passes all understanding.  
Man of sorrows, suffering servant,  
taking up our pain,  
bearing our sufferings,  
stricken, afflicted, pierced,  
wounded, oppressed, crushed,  
help us to know your loving presence with us in our anguish.  
Holy Spirit, mentor us in prayer and care,  
that we might know how to:  
mourn with those who mourn,  
be a loving neighbour to those in need,  
bear one another's burdens,  
avoid being a Job's comforter,  
blaming and shaming those already bowed down by grief.  
Even now, wipe away tears from our eyes,  
as we yearn for that time when there will be no more death,  
or mourning, or crying, or pain.  
For this old order of things will have passed away,  
swallowed up in the victory of the King of love,  
the Lord Jesus Christ,  
in whose name we pray.  
Amen

### **Sunday 24 May** - *Congregational life and witness*

- \* Pray for a sense of God's presence and equipping for this season of life through digital worship broadcast today.
- \* Pray for the working of the Holy Spirit as congregations continue their weekly life and witness digitally and at distance, asking that we would listen to his voice and be led in learning his ways for us in this moment.

### **Monday 25 May** - *Standing Commission of the General Assembly*

- \* Pray for preparations for the meeting of the Standing Commission of the General Assembly from 1-3 June 2020, asking that God would enable the smooth delivery of all aspects of the work to allow this body to progress necessary pieces of business in the absence of this year's regular format of General Assembly.
- \* Give thanks for the ministry of the outgoing Moderator, the Right Rev Dr William Henry and pray God's blessing for incoming Moderator, Rev David Bruce, as he continues to

prepare for his year of office in this unusual season of church life.

### **Tuesday 26 May** - *Creative thinking and flexible planning*

- \* Pray for creative thinking as church and society find themselves having to do so many things differently, asking God that this might be a season of fresh insight and ability to respond imaginatively to obstacles to be overcome.
- \* Pray for everyone charged with making plans for the future in these days of uncertainty, asking that God would give understanding and the necessary flexibility in response to both feelings of progress being paused and the need to react to constantly changing messages.

### **Wednesday 27 May** - *Mental health and wellbeing*

- \* Pray for those with mental health challenges who feel isolated and anxious, asking that God will bring peace and calm and that they will receive every possible support.
- \* Pray for other aspects of the wellbeing of society, such as healthy relationships, neighbourliness and care for the most vulnerable, asking that God would enable the flourishing of our life together despite lockdown and social distancing restrictions.

### **Thursday 28 May** - *Collaboration in decision making*

- \* Pray for good relationships between governments on the island of Ireland and within the United Kingdom, asking that God would enable wise and healthy balance between overall coordination and the need for regional variation.
- \* Give thanks for continued engagement between government ministers, officials and church leaders as movement on easing the lockdown progresses. Pray that these constructive working relationships forged through crisis would continue into the future.

### **Friday 29 May** - *Life in hospitals and care homes*

- \* Pray for patients in hospital and residents of care homes at this time when the need for additional measures to ensure safety from spread of infection can be upsetting, asking that God would bring a sense of his peace and a freedom from fear and anxiety.
- \* Pray for hospital and care home staff who feel tired and stressed by confronting the challenges of coronavirus, asking that God would renew them in body and mind.

### **Saturday 30 May** - *Growing confidence in society*

- \* Pray that as the conversation in society turns from lockdown to lifting restrictions, God would give necessary confidence to us all to begin to take the tentative steps permitted towards resuming more regular patterns of life.
- \* Pray for a gathering sense of looking forward in hope as overall figures of deaths and the rate of infection from coronavirus begin to subside across the world.

# Puzzles for Everyone

## Why Did Jesus Come into the World?

Reason 1:

G L G V Z X S  
 Z Y L F G T L W

Reason 2:

G L W R V U L I  
 F H L M G S V  
 X I L H H

In this code, A stands for Z, Z stands for A, etc.

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
↕	↕	↕	↕	↕	↕	↕	↕	↕	↕	↕	↕	↕
Z	Y	X	W	V	U	T	S	R	Q	P	O	N

## Names for Jesus

The Bible uses many different names for Jesus.

Find the names for Jesus in the puzzle.

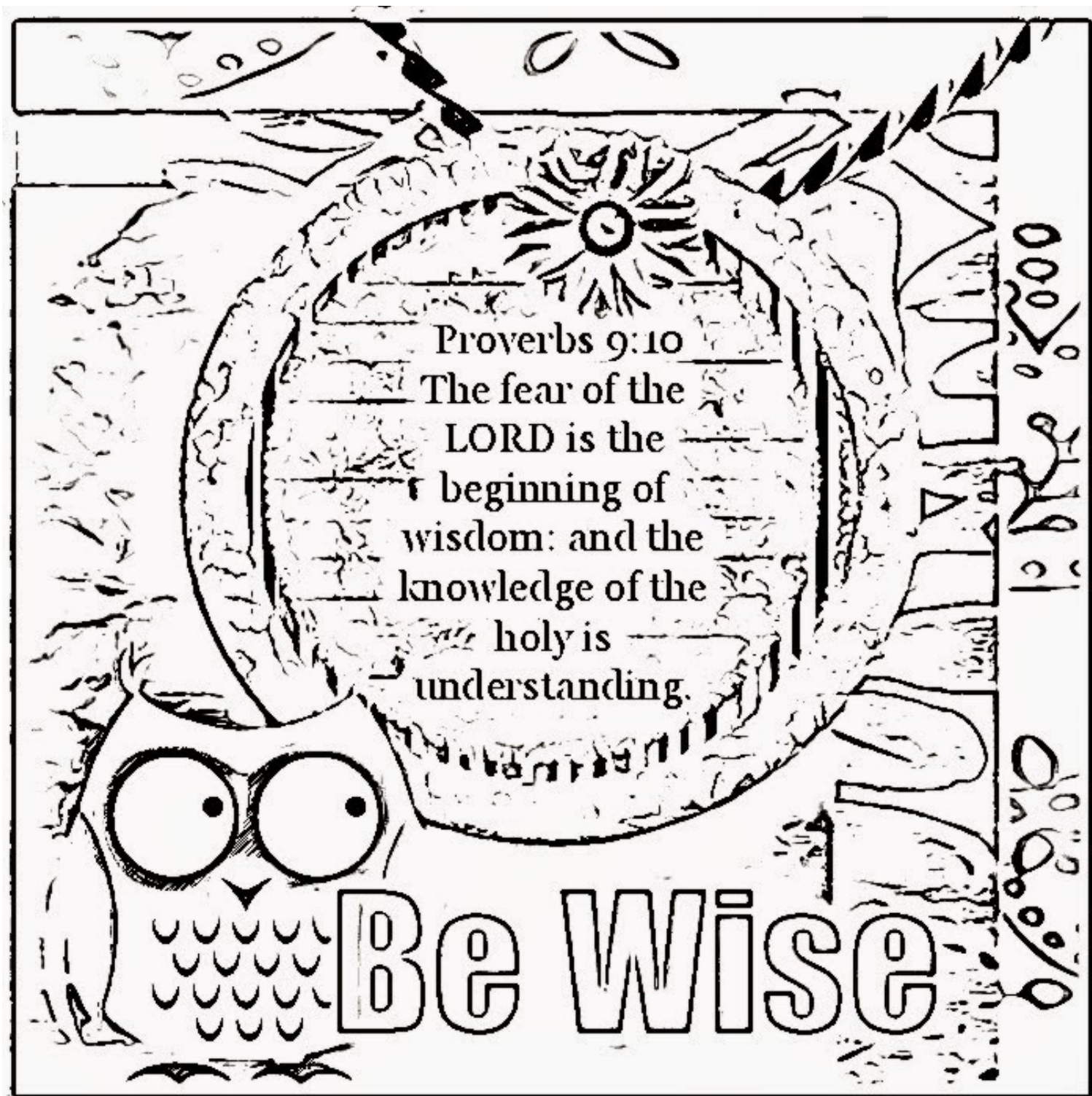


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A	G	Q	U	Y	O	N	R	E	L	I	A
W	O	R	D	S	H	E	P	H	E	R	D
Z	F	U	C	H	R	I	S	T	A	P	T



Hope you were able to solve the puzzle from last week even with the mistake at the end! If not, here is the answer. 'He who walks with the wise grows wise.'





Proverbs 9:10  
The fear of the  
LORD is the  
beginning of  
wisdom: and the  
knowledge of the  
holy is  
understanding.

Be Wise



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