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Services

Sunday 25th October 2020

11am Rev Reuben McCormick

Sunday 1st November 2020

11am Rev George Moore

<https://www.youtube.com/GlengormleyPresbyterianChurch>

Forthcoming Events

Sunday 8th November, 11am - Remembrance Sunday

COMMUNION: It is our hope to offer Communion at the end of morning worship services on each of the first four Sundays in November. We have sourced self-contained communion cups with bread and non-alcoholic wine. We would invite all those who are in attendance on these Sundays who love the Lord Jesus Christ to join with us.

Discipleship Events

PRAYER MEETING: Zoom Prayer Meeting will be held this Sunday, 25th October at 8pm. **Please note that the meeting has been changed to the church Zoom account - details will be published on our WhatsApp group.** Alternatively contact David Johnston or email office@glengormley.org. If you would like us to pray for you or a situation in your life, then please message our Facebook page.

Organisation Notices

GPC CHILDREN: As Sunday Club and Friday Club cannot meet in person they have gone online. Since Friday 9th October, a new video has been posted each week on the Glengormley Presbyterian Church YouTube and Facebook accounts. There have been Bible stories, songs and activities. Please join with our children each Friday at home and share the details with any young people that you know.

PW Mission Boxes/Donations are now due. Please put your donation in an envelope with your name and

amount and leave on collection plate on the Sunday you attend church. Alternatively contact Valerie Raphael or leave your contact details on the church office answerphone (028 9084 8774) or email office@glengormley.org and arrangements can be made for collection. PW Mission Fund is depending on generosity of our women as they do not receive any funding from United Appeal. "Encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing" 1 Thessalonians 5 v 11

LEPROSY MISSION: Donations for our Leprosy Mission are now due. Please put your donation in an envelope with your name and amount and leave on collection plate on the Sunday you attend Church. Alternatively contact Rosemary Ruddy or leave your contact details on the church office answerphone (028 9084 8774) or email office@glengormley.org and arrangements can be made for collection. Many thanks.

Church Notices

STREAMED SERVICES: We have had some feedback and suggestions for the Live Stream of our Sunday Services and hopefully over the next couple of weeks we will try to continue to develop and improve how we do things. One comment that has been mentioned quite a bit is that people would love to be able to see more of their Church Family! So we had an idea to try and make this happen. What we would like you to do is to send us your ServiceSelfies. Basically, take a quick picture of you and anyone that watches the live stream service with you (with their permission of course!) just before the service begins and either WhatsApp to Andy McClelland or email it to video@glengormley.org. We

will then take all the photos and add them to the intro announcements at the start of the following week.

SPECIAL OFFERING: It is good now to be back worshipping together in the church building on Sunday mornings. While we weren't able to do this we missed several opportunities to give to causes which we usually support. The committee has decided that we will have the opportunity to do this throughout the month of November. If you wish to contribute, please place your gift in any envelope and label it 'Special Offering'. Also please put your name and freewill offering number on the envelope especially if you have signed up for Gift Aid. Your gift will then be split as follows: **United Appeal 42%, Tear Fund 22%, Christian Aid 19% and Presbyterian Children's Society 17%.** This is proportionally the same as last years giving. Envelopes should be placed in the offering plate on any Sunday in November.

SHOEBOX SUNDAY: As Shoebox Sunday will not be able to take place in its usual way this year, we recommend that you fill a Shoebox on-line. Go to <https://shoeboxonline.samaritans-purse.org.uk/> and follow the easy instructions to fill your shoebox. It will cost £20, £5 of which will be the shipping fee. Please tell a member of the team that you filled a box on line to enable us to keep our yearly totals up to date. God bless and thank you.

FEBA: You are warmly invited to join with the Feba family to pray online on Wednesday 4th November at 7pm. You'll hear updates from our partner ministering in India and news from another radio project ministering to a Central Asian tribal group. Visit feba.org.uk/prayermeeting for details.

While we continue to operate under restrictions our services will continue to be streamed online.

[https://www.youtube.com/](https://www.youtube.com/GlengormleyPresbyterianChurch)

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If you want to come to church - Let your elder know. They will let you know when you can attend.

If you don't have an elder - please email **iwanttocometochurch@glengormley.org** and let us know.

If you don't have email call and leave a message at the church office 02890848774 - and we will get back to you.

ON YOUR SUNDAY TO ATTEND:

1. **Ensure you have no symptoms of COVID.**
2. Face - Bring your facemask.
3. Fingers - you will sanitise your hands on your way in.
4. Feet - you will need to keep 2 metres social distancing at all times.

5. The Automatic door at the side of the church is the new main entrance.
6. Your attendance will be recorded.
7. You will be shown to the particular seat according to the pre-prepared seating plan, please follow the stewards guidance.
8. We will Praise, Pray, Participate in Hearing God's Word. There is no creche, children will stay with their parents - activity packs will be available.
9. At the end of the service, we will all leave, orderly and keeping social distancing - through the main church doors.

It will be wonderful for us to be able to gather for worship. It is important that we all keep the guidelines as a practical way to show our love for one another.

With Regret

It is with regret that we announce the death of Mr Hugh McDermott, Clareview Nursing Home on Monday 19th October 2020 .

Prayer Diary

As well as including PCI Let's Pray diary we have included The E3 North Belfast and Newtownabbey prayer letter. Through our Mission Fund we provide support for Ruth.

Let's Pray

Sunday 25 October

- Pray for the Moderator as he takes the service in Dromore (Banbridge Road) Presbyterian Church on Sunday and that, despite current restrictions, the gift of harvest might be celebrated. Remember him also as he prepares online greetings and encouragement for congregations.
- Ask God to enable those who lead in prayer at worship today to help congregations to appreciate God and approach him together for needs great and small.

Monday 26 October

- Lebanon - PCI partners with the Near East School of Theology, which trains pastors and church workers for ministry in the Middle East. Pray for NEST's work as they continue to minister and rebuild following extensive damage caused to their building by the Beirut explosion.
- Jordan Evangelical Theological Seminary trains and equips students to serve the Church in the Middle East and North Africa. Pray for JETS, for health and protection for staff and students and that they would remain effective in ministry training despite Covid-19 restrictions.

Tuesday 27 October

- Pray for the staff of the Armed Forces Chaplaincy Centre, who have a pivotal role in developing chaplains across all three Services (Royal Navy, Army, Air Force). Military chaplaincy is a vital ministry; please pray for parish ministers considering God's call to this ministry.
- PCI has 11 ministers currently serving the Forces. Pray for Rev Colin Jones who has recently returned to Chaplaincy service, for strength to cope with the pace of life at the frontline. Pray also for chaplains' families, as chaplaincy often requires prolonged service away from home.

Wednesday 28 October

- Pray for the Flemings, currently based in Northern Ireland but still serving with United Mission to Nepal and Kathmandu International Study Centre. Pray for good communication despite time differences and distance.
- Pray for the Lockwoods, serving in Kathmandu with UMN. Pray for safety of staff and smooth functioning of the two UMN hospitals as well as safety for the UMN staff who have recently been able to return from home-working to working in cluster offices.

Thursday 29 October

- There are 74 PCI home mission congregations throughout Ireland. Praise God for what he is doing in these churches. Thank him for those who are faithful to these congregations.
- Pray for the ministers who lead these congregations, who often have more than one charge. Pray for wisdom and perseverance as they minister, often in isolated areas.

Friday 30 October

- Give thanks for those working tirelessly to safeguard our children, young people and adults at risk. Give thanks for the technology that makes it easier to keep in touch during this Covid-19 crisis. Pray that the same protections will be in place in the virtual contact, as is afforded in our face-to-face contact.
- As we complete our first week of the new restrictions here in Northern Ireland, pray for all those affected, particularly those in schools, and also for those charged with the responsibility of making and implementing the decisions throughout the island of Ireland.

Saturday 31 October

- Pray for the Standing Committee of the General Council as they interpret and apply the ever-changing government guidance as it affects the

Presbyterian Church. Pray that the decisions made, although challenging, will be the best for the life of the Church.

- Ken Brown, College Bursar, retires today. Give thanks for the service that he has given over the past six years. Pray for him that he will know God's blessing and guidance in retirement.

Sermon Notes

Please use this space to take your own notes:

ANNOUNCEMENT SHEETS: Office hours are Thursdays 12:30-3:30pm. Any announcements need to be with the office by 12 noon on Thursdays.

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



Keep in touch with us by visiting our website: www.glengormley.org

Or our Facebook page

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We also have a WhatsApp group for church members to keep in touch with each other. Email office@glengormley.org for details



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PRAYER POINTS

"Be joyful because you have hope. Be patient when trouble comes. Pray at all times."

ROMANS 12:12



GIVE THANKS

- Give thanks for the opportunity to speak at the October meeting of the **North Belfast Presbytery** and share about the work of E3 with ministers and elders from local Presbyterian congregations.
- Give thanks for the first meeting of the North Belfast and Newtownabbey **District Support Team (DST)** that took place over Zoom. Give thanks for these volunteers who support E3 at a local level.
- **Online resources** have allowed for new opportunities within SU groups. Give thanks for a sixth form pupil who has connected with an online Google Classroom SU who has never attended a physical meeting.



PRAYER REQUESTS

- Teachers and principals have had an exhausting first half term. Pray for **energy and wisdom** as they face difficult decisions around the education and safety of their pupils especially in the light of new restrictions.
- Please pray for **speaking opportunities** in Alexandra Presbyterian and Woodvale Presbyterian during Sunday services this month in order to share about the work of E3 North Belfast and Newtownabbey.
- Pray for **churches** as they seek to support their local schools during this time. Pray for opportunities for churches to get involved in schools ministry and provide practical help.

ONLINE TRAINING - TIMES LIKE THESE

This is a new online resource from our Training and Resources Department. Check out the SUNI Facebook page for more information!



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