

10th January 2021

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Services

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

Sunday 10th January 2021

11am Rev Reuben McCormick

Sunday 17th December 2021

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Church Online

In line with the worsening situation and unequivocal public health advice that people stay at home, on Thursday 7th January all Presbyterian Churches received the direction from the General Council of PCI that we should cease in-person church gatherings, including worship [with the exception of arrangements for live-streaming]. We will follow the direction and so in-person worship will cease initially until 6th February [it will be revised in late January, and may be extended].

Please join with us for worship online on our YouTube Channel for the next number of weeks.

Can I also encourage you at this time to check, by phone, with others in church life and also neighbours and friends? This is a demanding time for everyone and by our love for others we will be known to be his disciples. John 13 v 35

Discipleship Events

Zoom Prayer Meeting will continue online on Sunday 10th January 2021 at 8pm.

Leadership Notices

KIRK SESSION: Meeting of Kirk Session will take place on Tuesday 12th January at 7:30pm via Zoom. Details are contained in the meeting agenda which has been circulated to elders.

ADVANCE NOTICE: CONGREGATIONAL COMMITTEE

Meeting will be held via Zoom on Tuesday 19th January at 8pm.

Organisation Notices

GPC KIDS ONLINE starts again on Friday 8th January. Each week the leaders will post a video on Facebook and YouTube of a story, a song and activities for primary aged children to follow. Please encourage any children you know to join in. (We won't be checking birth certificates, so feel free to connect.)

LEPROSY MISSION: A cheque for £295 has been forwarded to Leprosy Mission. Thank you to all who contributed.

Church Notices

THANK YOU: Following the November special offering and combining with other individual donations we have been able to send £941.60 to Tear Fund, £813.20 to Christian Aid & £865.10 to the Presbyterian Children's Society. We have also been able to fulfil our United Appeal target of honour which for 2020 was £12,313. Many thanks to all who contributed.

With Regret

It is with regret that we announce the death of Mr David Laughlin, Waverly Grove on Tuesday 5th January 2021. We extend sympathy to his wife, Beth, daughter, Julie and the family circle.

Prayer Diary

Sunday 10 January

We pray for the entirety of the implications of the UK's new relationship with Europe, recognising that PCI is an all-Ireland church. Thank God that he is in control of our future.

Today as we worship, ask God to help us to do so with thankfulness for who he is and all he gives despite ongoing hardships.

Monday 11 January

Pray for Diane Cusick as she continues to serve in Zambia, working with the Church of Central Africa Presbyterian Synod of Zambia in early childhood development. Pray that the teachers who attended Diane's teacher training course in December will implement what they have learned.

Pray for the Church of North India (CNI) as it seeks to be an effective witness. Pray too for the people of India during the pandemic. India currently has the second highest number of cases worldwide.

Tuesday 12 January

Give thanks for the generosity that has enabled the foodbank and Together Ballyclare to assist families. Pray that the leaflet 'Christmas hope in a COVID world' given to families will lead people to Christ. Pray for Michelle Purdy (Deaconess in Ballyclare) as she begins working with Rev Jonathan Moxen.

Pray for Rev Colin McKibbin and the elders of Alt Presbyterian Church in these difficult days. Pray too for Clodagh Dickson, Alt's youth worker, as she prepares and leads youth work online.

Wednesday 13 January

Pray for Edwin and Anne Kibathi as they continue to minister to the East African expatriate community in the UK and lead the congregation in London. Pray for them as they continue doing so during changing Covid-19 restrictions.

Pray for the work and witness of the Evangelical Christian Church in Timor (Indonesia), including its social-economic development work in the community. Pray too for wisdom for church leaders.

Thursday 14 January

Roberta Irvine (Deaconess in Greystone Road, Antrim) Pray for seniors linked to the congregation who have received special activity packs. Pray that they will be used by the recipients to make decisive steps in their journey of faith.

Arklow Presbyterian Church | Give thanks for excellent attendances when the congregation has met. Pray for pastoral contact to be well maintained during the new lockdown and for plans for a summer Bible Club.

Friday 15 January

Pray for all who are living with an addiction, that they may become receptive to advice and help at this difficult time in their lives. Give thanks for all those working in the area of addictions – in offering therapeutic programmes and a place of safety to stay and recover.

Give thanks for organisations like Christians Against Poverty and others who support people overwhelmed by debt and financial challenges. Pray that those who are in difficulty will find ways to access the support they need.

Saturday 16 January

Pray for those who represent PCI in discussions with the NI Executive and the Irish Government, especially in regard to issues linked to Covid-19. Pray for wisdom and understanding, both for Church leaders and for Government Ministers and Officials.

Dr Stafford Carson has retired as Principal of Union.

Give thanks for his clear leadership over the past seven years and pray that he will know the Lord's blessing in retirement. Professor Gordon Campbell has succeeded Stafford, pray that the Lord will equip him for this demanding role

Community Notices

NORTHERN HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE TRUST STRESS CONTROL ONLINE: 'Stress Control' is a six-session

cognitive-behavioural therapy class used extensively in community-settings by the NHS (UK) and HSE (Ireland) and across the world. You can find out more here: <https://ni.stresscontrol.org/> To take part:

- Go to <https://ni.stresscontrol.org/> where you can learn more about the class and get the dates.
- On the homepage, click on the 'Stress Control Online' link to access our YouTube channel where the classes will be available to view at the scheduled times.
- The session will begin exactly on time, so make sure you are there from the start. Sessions run for about 90 minutes and there will be a 10-minute break in the middle.
- Each session is one piece of the jigsaw in tackling your Stress. By coming to each class, the jigsaw will form, and the big picture can emerge, making you better able to handle your stress. This is cognitive-behavioural therapy so it is crucial you practice the skills you will learn between sessions.



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

Or our Facebook page

Glengormley Presbyterian Church

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

Jesus is Rejected in Nazareth

Jesus said to them, "Only in his hometown, among his relatives and in his own house is a prophet without honour." Mark 6 v 4

Each number represents a letter of the alphabet. Substitute the correct letter for the numbers to reveal the coded words.

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26

19-1-2-2-1-20-8 _____

23-9-19-4-15-13 _____

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13-1-18-25 _____

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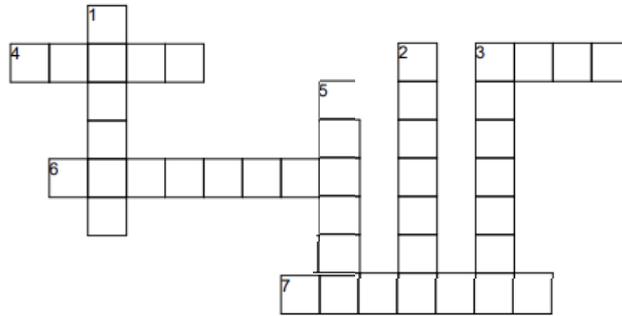
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8-15-13-5-20-15-23-14 _____

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Now use your answers to complete the crossword puzzle



HORIZONTAL

3. The mother of Jesus
4. To have great trust or belief in something or someone
6. The town or city where a person was born or grew up
7. A man or boy with the same parents as another person

VERTICAL

1. The ability to judge what is true or right
2. One who is a spokesman for God to man
3. An event that can only be done through the power of God
5. To treat with great respect

CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)

**WE ALL
MUST DO IT
TO GET
THROUGH IT**



STAY HOME



KEEP DISTANCE



WASH HANDS

ANNOUNCEMENT SHEETS: Any announcements need to be with the office by 12 noon on Thursdays. Email office@glengormley.org

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



JANUARY 2021



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 first **Zoom prayer meeting** for North Belfast and Newtownabbey which took place on Tuesday 8th December. It is such a privilege to be able to gather together and pray for our schools.
- Give thanks for my **Commissioning Service** which was held on Sunday 13th December. It was great to be officially welcomed into this role and able to share in this celebration after years of prayer for an E3 Worker in North Belfast and Newtownabbey
- During December, the SUNI **Christmas RE lesson resource** was used in local primary schools with KS1, KS2 and SEN pupils. Give thanks for the positive feedback from the lessons and for the pupils who heard the true story of Christmas.
- Give thanks for the restful time over the Christmas break which gave me the opportunity to recharge and be ready for the start of a new and exciting term.



PRAYER REQUESTS

- Due to changes in restrictions in November, my speaking engagement in **Woodvale Presbyterian** was postponed to January. Please pray as I share about the work of E3 North Belfast and Newtownabbey on Sunday 17th January.
- **Making Your Mark (MYM)** is an annual pupil leadership conference which aims to train senior post primary pupils who are involved in their school SU group. Usually, it takes place in September, however, this year it will be run online near the end of January. Pray for the production of the online resources and for the pupils who will take part in this event.
- At the start of this term, school staff are planning for the rest of the school year. Please pray for **opportunities** to be able to visit schools in person to share in Assemblies, RE lessons and SU groups.



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