

Easter 2021

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Services

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

Sunday 4th April 2021

10:30am Rev Reuben McCormick

Easter Sunday - live streamed

12noon Rev Reuben McCormick

Easter Sunday - in person only

Sunday 11th April 2021

10:30am Rev George Moore

- live streamed

12noon Rev George Moore

- in person only

Resumption of in-person Worship Services

We are delighted to be able to resume in-person services again! In order to enable people to gather again we are moving to **two** morning services, one at **10:30-11:15am**, and the second at **12:00-12:45pm**. As with all of life at this time - you will need:

- your mask,
- to continue 2 metres social distancing,
- hand sanitiser will be provided,
- the Automatic door at the side of the church is the new main entrance,
- your attendance will be recorded,
- you will be shown to the particular seat according to the pre-prepared seating plan, please follow the stewards guidance,
- at the end of the service, we will all leave, orderly and keeping social distancing - through the main church doors.

Our plan is people will be able to attend worship more often, hopefully fortnightly rather than once a month. I would ask for your patience as we work out the details of following the guidelines and working to enable us to worship together. Our **10:30am service** will continue to be available **on-line** for those who are at home or who are not at church that week.

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.

Discipleship Events

Zoom Prayer Meeting will continue online on Sundays 4th and 11th April at 8pm.

the **prayer** course **'An eight week journey through the Lord's Prayer'** <https://prayercourse.org>

We'd love you to join us for thought-provoking videos, lively discussion and practical ideas to help reinvigorate and develop your prayer life! Sessions will run on Sunday evenings from 7-8pm via Zoom. For those without internet access, we can provide a DVD/booklet option...why not arrange to study the course with a friend?! The course will commence on **Sunday 18th April**. For more info and to sign-up for the course, please contact David Johnston (07816 018585, discipleship@glengormley.org)

Leadership Notices

ADVANCE NOTICE: Kirk Session meeting on Tuesday 13th April at 7:30pm on Zoom

ADVANCE NOTICE: Church committee on Tuesday 20th April at 8:00pm on Zoom.

Organisation Notices

GPC KIDS ONLINE will be taking a break over Easter. Join with us again on Friday 16th April.

Church Notices

In the current situation we are not able to have our rubbish collected for various reasons. We would appreciate it if everyone took their rubbish home with them. If food / coffee is brought in, please do not leave boxes or cups still containing liquid in any of the bins and don't leave water bottles in the pews. Your co-operation is appreciated.

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Prayer Meeting Dates for your diary:

Thursday 22nd April: 7:45 - 8:30pm

Tuesday 25th May: 7:45-8:30pm

End of Year celebration - Friday 25th June



The church office will be closed next week. The next announcement sheet will be printed on Friday 16th April.

Prayer Diary

Sunday 4 April:

Jesus is risen! He is risen indeed! May this worldwide affirmation by Christians on Easter Sunday set the tone of our walking in hope and by faith in days of uncertainty. May we be people of hope, not of despair, placing our trust in the Lord who reigns over all.

The Moderator plans to be with the congregation in Portrush on Easter Sunday morning. Pray for congregations as they make plans to return to their buildings, with the necessary restrictions in place, and pray especially for congregations in the Republic, for whom the restrictions remain in place.

Monday 5 April:

Pray for our political leaders in both jurisdictions. Pray for political stability, and confident, principled leadership from our governments. Pray for the grace to disagree well. Pray strongly against those who would bully or intimidate those with whom they differ.

Young People have lost so much this past year. Pray that as we progress, churches and ministry organisations will be able to provide them physically, emotionally and spiritually restoring experiences.

Tuesday 6 April:

As we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus, give thanks for the message of hope this brings. We pray for hope for the future, as we look ahead into another uncertain year. We trust in God for his guidance and provision as we travel this way.

Pray for children & families as life returns to a more normal routine in coming months. Give thanks for families growing

in faith together this last year and ask that they continue to follow Jesus every day.

Wednesday 7 April:

Middle East | Give thanks that JETS continues to provide training for church and para-church leaders, award Christian theological degrees and contribute to the planting and strengthening of churches throughout the Middle East. Pray for staff as they work to keep students engaged with their courses during online learning.

Indonesia | Give thanks for the launch of a new speed boat partially funded by a grant from PCI to help one of our partner churches reach its many members located in remote locations across the North Moluccas islands.

Thursday 8 April:

Rev Graham Stockdale (Prison Chaplain in Maghaberry) | Pray for Graham and all involved in PCI's prison chaplaincy work. Pray for opportunities to share the gospel & for prisoners to find hope and new life in Christ.

Pray for the congregation of Great Victoria Street which was glad to meet together in-person on Easter Sunday. Pray for the minister, Rev William Harkness, the kirk session & members as they seek God's guidance, pray and plan for the future of the congregation's work in Belfast city centre.

Friday 9 April:

Social Witness | Pray for those living with mental health issues at this time, which are exasperated greatly by the loneliness and isolation of the current Covid-19 crisis. Pray that they will find a listening ear and seek the appropriate professional help. Give thanks for all who give of their time to provide Mental Health Services.

Freight Transport | Pray for those tasked with bringing goods to this island via sea, air and road transport, that they would have safe transit, and have an opportunity to encounter the peace and comfort of Jesus while they are far from home.

Saturday 10 April:

The Moderator will offer a pre-recorded service of worship this Easter which may be used in congregations across the Church. Pray that this would be a blessing to many. Thank God for the provision of technology to enable us to meet online.

Ministry students have had a busy semester. Teaching has been online, & many have faced additional demands with home-schooling, disrupted routines, & isolation. Pray for them and their families that they will have opportunity for refreshment over Easter, with a clear focus on the hope of our Lord's resurrection.

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.



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Open to all women and men affected by domestic & sexual violence

0808 802 1414

PSNI (In an emergency ring 999)

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The Rowan
(Regional Sexual Assault Centre for NI)

0800 389 4424

Childline

0800 11 11

