

# 23rd May 2021

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## Services

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

### ***Sunday 23rd May 2021***

***10:30am Presbyterian Children's Society Service*** - live streamed

***12noon Presbyterian Children's Society Service*** - in person only

### ***Sunday 30th May 2021***

***10:30am Rev Reuben McCormick*** - live streamed

***12noon Rev Reuben McCormick*** - in person only

## Resumption of in-person Worship Services

***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](mailto: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.

## Forthcoming Events

**Sunday 20th June** - Children's Day

## Discipleship Events



**<https://prayercourse.org>**

The Prayer Course resumes this Sunday evening @ 7pm. We'll be thinking about 'Unanswered Prayer'. Please contact David

Johnston for further info or DVDs (07816 018585, [discipleship@glengormley.org](mailto:discipleship@glengormley.org))

**Zoom Prayer Meeting** will run after the Prayer Course as usual this Sunday at 8pm. Please join even if you are not taking part in the Prayer Course.

## Church Notices



It is with thanks to you and other congregations that the Presbyterian Children's Society has been able to make a real difference to Presbyterian children, young people and their families in times of need. If you wish to support the work of the Society you can do so in the following ways:

- By using the Presbyterian Children's Society envelopes which can be found in the pews or in Mosaic. Please make cheques payable to Glengormley Presbyterian Church. Also please complete the back of the envelope with your details so that Gift Aid can be claimed if appropriate.
- By mobile or online banking. Please use the following bank details:  
*Account name:* Glengormley Presbyterian Church  
*Sort Code:* 981145  
*Account Number:* 30690017  
Put either Presbyterian Children's Society or PCS in as the payee/beneficiary reference.

Thank you

**Car parking on the Antrim Road during church:** Please be aware that although drivers are entitled to park on the Antrim Road outside GPC that The Highway Code, rule 240, indicates that no one should park within 15 metres, (50 feet) of any junction, except in a lay-by in specified circumstances or in a designated parking area. Recently a member of the congregation was asked to move a car that

was less than the requisite distance from the entrance to GPC. Alas if this requirement is breached it may lead to a fine. For information.

**BINS:** 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.



Scripture Union Northern Ireland

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IN PRAYER

**E3 NORTH BELFAST  
& NEWTOWNABBEY**

ZOOM PRAYER MEETING

TUESDAY 25TH MAY - 7.45PM

EMAIL [RUTH@SUNI.CO.UK](mailto:RUTH@SUNI.CO.UK)  
FOR ZOOM LINK

## Prayer Diary

**Sunday 23 May** Pray for a growing vision for outreach across the Presbyterian Church, especially that congregations will be able to speak clearly about the Good News at a time of great uncertainty about the future. Give thanks for the good resources produced by the church centrally to help with this. 'The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands.' Psalm 19:1. Pray that as we enjoy the better weather & longer days of summer, we might worship God as the one who made all things and that we might recognise him speaking to us through creation day by day. people and bless our hearts with his peace.

**Monday 24 May** Pray for the people of Nepal where Covid cases have been rising sharply. Pray the government will accept the new five-year agreement for UMN & for expat staff to be able to get work visas.

Pray for Timor, Sumba and nearby islands which were hit by Tropical Cyclone Seroja at Easter. Pray for all affected and for our partners, the Evangelical Christian Church in Timor & the Christian Church in Sumba, as they help those who are grieving and those who suffered damage to their homes, crops, livelihoods, etc.

**Tuesday 25 May** Pray for the new Bible Study which has started through International Meeting Point in North Belfast. Pray for a man who has recently become a Christian and for the four/five new people who are wanting to learn more about God. Pray that they too will come to faith and for others to grow in their faith.

Pray for the congregations of Mountmellick & Tullamore (Co Laois and Co Offaly) as they enjoy meeting again in-person. Pray that they will be known in their wider communities as multi-national and welcoming churches.

**Wednesday 26 May** Pray for an immediate end to all fighting between Israel and Palestine. Pray for those who have been injured, those who are grieving, those who are living in fear due to the recent attacks and unrest. Pray for those trying to bring immediate and long-term peace, justice and a fair society for all in the Holy Land.

Bethlehem Bible College & Nazareth Evangelical College | Pray for staff & students at these colleges, especially for the students sitting exams & those seeking to complete their studies amidst disruption and insecurity.

**Thursday 27 May** John McCandless (community outreach worker in Mountpottinger & McQuiston) | Give thanks for recent outreach opportunities, including 'HUG IN A BOX' doorstep deliveries, connecting with church community through activities via Zoom, and providing takeaway cooked lunches for over 40 people on a weekly basis.

Naas (Co Kildare) | Praise the Lord for keeping the congregation faithful to him and each other during the past year. Pray for the members as they look at living as believers in a world hostile to Christianity.

**Friday 28 May** Pray for the Taking Care Department as they support our congregations in the area of Safe-guarding. Give thanks for all Designated Persons, who provide a vital role in each congregation.

Fostering and Adoption | Give thanks for those willing to open up their homes to care for children and young people who may require short, or longer-term, foster care, or adoption. Pray that more people would come forward to offer this support as foster carers and adopters.

**Saturday 29 May** Pray for the Moderator, Dr David Bruce and the Clerk, Rev Trevor Gribben, as they participate in the meeting of the Church Leaders Group (Ireland) during the incoming week. These meetings have proved to be incredibly useful in discussing significant matters of mutual concern.

Rev David Leach has been appointed as Professor of Ministry in Union College. David will oversee the training pathways of ministry students, as well as teaching some subjects such as preaching. Pray that the Lord will use David as he takes up his post in August, and pray for him and his family as their time in Union Road Magherafelt and Lecumpher comes to an end.

**ANNOUNCEMENT SHEETS:** Any announcements need to be with the office by 12 noon on Thursdays. Email [office@glengormley.org](mailto:office@glengormley.org)

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



**Freephone 24 Hour Domestic & Sexual Violence Helpline**  
Open to all women and men affected by domestic & sexual violence

0808 802 1414

**PSNI** (In an emergency ring 999)

101

**The Rowan**  
(Regional Sexual Assault Centre for NI)

0800 389 4424

**Childline**

0800 11 11



## Session 5: UNANSWERED PRAYER



*"Your will be done" – Matthew 6:10*

### Discussion Questions

20 minutes

- Q. What did you find most helpful or most challenging in the video?
- Q. How has the reality of unanswered prayer affected your relationship with God?
- Q. Have you ever felt God's silence/absence in seasons of your life and faith? How did you respond?

Pete says, **"We are part of a faith that is all about wrestling"**.

- Q. How do you think we can get better, as communities, at dealing with the realities and challenges of unanswered prayer?
- Q. How can we encourage one another in "faithfulness" as well as "faith"?

### Do it

10 minutes

Pete says that, **"Even when we don't understand, we can still trust"**. Take time to stop, pause and recommit to trusting God together as a group. You might like to play some worship music and spend time sitting and reflecting.

**(Bible passages in video: Mark 14:32-36, Daniel 3, Romans 5:3-5)**