# 28th November 2021



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## **Services**

# https://www.youtube.com/c/GlengormleyPresbyterianChurch

# Sunday 28th November 2021

10:30am Mr Jonathan Boyd

- live streamed

**12noon** Mr Jonathan Boyd

- in person only

6:30pm Rev Reuben McCormick

- in person only

## **Worship Services**

Current restrictions outline that when you are attending church services you need to:

- ♦ Wear a face covering entering, leaving, while you are moving about and when singing unless you are exempt
- ♦ Keep 1 metre distance from anyone not in your bubble
- Provide contact details for track and trace purposes.

Please do not attend if you are displaying any Covid symptoms.

**MORNING SERVICES:** If you have not been attending church services but would like to, please get in touch with your elder or email iwanttocometochurch@glengormley.org If you don't have email, call and leave a message at the church office 02890848774 - and we will get back to you.

It would be really helpful if those attending the 10:30 service could clear the church and car park by 11:35 am. We would also ask those coming to the 12:00 noon service to try not to arrive in the car park before 11:40 am.

SUNDAY EVENING SERVICES: There is no need to book a seat at evening services. Please come into the church via the main church door where you will be asked to give your name and contact details before being seating.

**CHRISTMAS SERVICES:** At the Kirk Session meeting on Tuesday evening, Session have decided that we will have in person services this Christmas. More information will be available next week.

# Sunday 5th December 2021 10:30am Rev Reuben McCormick

live streamed

**12noon** Rev Reuben McCormick

- in person only

## **Leadership Notices**

Elders district bundles will be available for collection from the church on Sunday 5th December.

#### **Church Notices**

FWO: The Committee have agreed that the last day for offerings to be received and included in the 2021 financial accounts will be Sunday 19th December. Any monies received after this date will be included in the 2022 financial accounts.



As you know our church has faithfully supported the work of the Newtownabbey foodbank Foodbank for a number of years. This year those running the Foodbank are attempting

to move away from simply giving those in need non perishable food items coming up to the Christmas period. There will always be foodstuffs available for genuine emergencies and indeed there will be Christmas treats given to those who are Foodbank service users. The intention this year is to give those in need pre paid cash cards to be used in local Spars. Those who have these cards will not be able to spend them on alcohol, cigarettes, lottery cards or petrol. As a church we can support the Newtownabbey Foodbank by placing cash into the collection plate in an envelope marked 'Newtownabbey Foodbank', by placing a cheque in the collection plate also marked 'Newtownabbey Foodbank' or by going onto the Newtownabbey Foodbank web page, Newtownabbey Foodbank | Helping Local People in Crisis and simply following the Donate link. Thank you for your ongoing support of this worthy cause.

The Newtownabbey Foodbank has given guidelines for those who may need their service.

Those receiving support must meet the following criteria. They must:

- 1. Be in food poverty, or being pushed into it by demands of the holiday season.
- 2. Be receiving support to improve their financial situation.
- 3. Currently be working with the referral partner (within the previous 3 months)
- 4. Have personally confirmed they would like to receive Christmas support from the Foodbank, and be willing to have their personal information passed on to us.

Our remit is specifically to alleviate Food Poverty. These qualifications are to ensure the right people are getting help in a way that empowers them, respects their capacity, and offers dignity.

If you know of anyone who could benefit from the Newtownabbey Foodbank, or you are in need of the services of the Foodbank, please contact Jonathan Duff, mobile number 07767 662529.

### **Prayer Diary**

#### **Sunday 28 November**

'But you, Lord, are a shield around me, my glory, the One who lifts my head high.' Psalm 3:3. Ask that God would encourage and lift our heads as we experience his presence and renew our confidence in his power as we worship today.

#### **Monday 29 November**

Rev Daniel Kane is the convener of the Council for Public Affairs which is due to meet on Thursday 2 December. Pray for Daniel and the work of the Council as it seeks to support PCI to engage with gracious gospel confidence in the public square.

#### **Tuesday 30 November**

Pray for the ministers and kirk sessions of congregations throughout the island as they seek, over the next few weeks, to maintain measures and mitigations that will keep people safe during Advent and Christmas services and events.

#### Wednesday 1 December

Peter & Jayne Fleming (global mission workers, Nepal) | Pray for Peter and Jayne as they continue to work remotely from Northern Ireland and as they prepare to return to Nepal within the next month to six weeks.

#### Thursday 2 December

Kenny Hanna (rural chaplain) | Pray for Kenny who has begun serving as PCI's first rural chaplain. Give thanks for a warm welcome at local churches, livestock markets, agri-businesses, farm support organisations, and amongst farmers and farming families. Pray for pastoral and gospel opportunities. Pray for God to open hearts.

#### Friday 3 December

As Lindsay Conway commences retirement after 19 years with the Council for Social Witness, give thanks to God for his guidance and protection over those years, especially during the Covid-19 pandemic. Please continue to pray for the work of the Council and for his successor Dermot Parsons.

#### Saturday 4 December

This week Dr Stephen Moore is due to begin work as Lecturer in Old Testament at Union College. Stephen grew up in Hazelbank, Coleraine - pray for him and his family as they settle back into life in Northern Ireland, and pray that the Lord will use the gifts he has entrusted to Stephen as he teaches in the College.

## **Organisation Notices**

**Organisation leaders** are asked to let John Lindsay know when and where their organisation is meeting in the church building.



PW MISSION BOXES/DONATIONS: PW
Mission boxes/donations are due this month. Please give to Valerie Raphael,

Vera Noble or leave on collection plate in envelope marked PW. Thanks for your cooperation. **LEPROSY BOXES/DONATIONS:** Leprosy boxes/donations are

now due. Please give to Rosemary Ruddy or leave on collection plate in an envelope marked Leprosy Mission. Thank you. **THOMPSON HOUSE DONATIONS** Each year PW donate Christmas gifts to Thompson House. We would be grateful if anyone would like to give a monetary donation towards this worthy cause. Please put in envelope and give to Valerie Raphael, Vera Noble or leave on collection plate marked Thompson House. Thank you for your cooperation.

PARENT & TODDLERS GROUP: An online Registration Form is now available on the Church's website and on Facebook. The closing date for completion of this Form is Friday, 9 December. We would love to welcome as many as possible to our Group but unfortunately our numbers will be greatly reduced due to COVID restrictions. Also all who wish to attend must complete and forward this form to the email address given.

The start date is Thursday, 13 January 2022 from 10.30 to 12 noon and we will be in touch with all those who complete and forward the form. Looking forward to seeing you all again.

