Pravers

- We are thankful for the Moderator's Week of Prayer on the theme of 'Enjoying God', asking that we as a congregation would demonstrate God's grace and love so that others in our families and community would find meaning and purpose in life through faith in Jesus Christ.
- We continue to pray for the Holy Spirit leading the Convenor, Nigel,
 Craig and the Session in this period of vacancy, that they would know a unity of purpose and clear direction.
- We ask for God's blessing on Alan and Tracey as they prepare for the move to Killinchy, confident in God's guidance and presence with them and their family.
- We are thankful for the good relationships among the churches in Holywood and the service for the World Day of Prayer last Friday, praying for opportunities to work together to build God's Kingdom in our town.
- We pray for all those who, at this time, are anxious and fearful both at home and overseas; those with health concerns and worries about family, the refugees fleeing Syria and those who suffering due to the Covid 19 virus; we pray for wisdom for world leaders and a willingness to seek peace and the prosperity of the people.

LET'S PRAY LEAFLET AVAILABLE FOR THE WEEK 8-14 MAR.

<u>The Thursday Club</u> will meet in the Worship Centre at 2 pm on Thursday 12th March. The speaker will be Brenda Turnbull from the Lagan Navigation Trust. See you there!

Rehearsals for Easter United Choir and Youth Singers commence on Thursday 12/3/2020 at 7pm (Youth Singers) & 7.30pm (Choir). Orchestra rehearsal and A/V training Evening - Thursday 12/3/2020 at 8.15pm.

Alan Johnston's last service with us is on Sunday 22nd March, please join us for a Farewell Soup Lunch straight after the service in the Houston Hall.

Alan Johnston's Installation Service – Friday 27th March at 7.30pm at Killinchy Presbyterian Church.

MARCH ROTAS

<u>STEWARDING:</u> Scott Burnside Bobby Graham Jim Robinson Jenny Moran Richard & Alison McCall

FLOWERS: 1st D. Clarke 8th Janet Campbell 15th Mark Anderson 22nd Fiona Woods 29th Jean Jess

CRÈCHE:

1st Claire Hill & Rachael Harbinson 8th Claire Hill & Jenny Moran 15th Joanne Henderson & Jenny Moran 22nd Joanne Henderson& Deborah Davies

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WELCOME

Sunday, 8 March 2020

- Welcome to Morning service of worship led by Alan Johnston looking at 'Past, Present and Future'.
- Tea & coffee served in Worship Centre after the service. All Welcome!
- Evening service will be 'Café Church' at 6.30pm with Andrew McCaw.

WEEKLY CALENDAR MARCH

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Mon 9	7.00pm 8.00pm	BB Juniors Monday Small Group
Tues 10	10.00am 6.30pm 7.00pm	Tots R Us Anchor Boys GB
Wed 11	10.30am	Ladies Bible Study
Thur 12	10.30am 2.00pm 7.00pm 7.30pm 8.15pm	Johnston Group Thursday Club Youth Singers Choir Orchestra
Fri 13	3.30pm	GB Explorers
Sat 14	9.00am	Prayer
Sun 15	10.00am 10.15am 11.00am 6.30pm 7.30pm	Sunday School Prayer Morning Service Evening Service Pitstop

<u>Summer Arrangements</u> – Shared services will take place in High Street on 5th & 12th July and in First Holywood on 19th & 26th July. Normal services will resume in August.



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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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9 Mar	Monday Small Group @8.00pm			
12 Mar	Campbell Group @10.30am Johnston Group @10.30am Thursday Club @2.00pm Youth Singers @7.00pm Choir @7.30pm Orchestra @8.15pm			
13 Mar	Reaney Group @8.00pm			
16 Mar	Mile Small Group @8.00pm			
18 Mar	PW Evening @7.30pm			

19 Mar Youth Singers @7.00pm
Choir @7.30pm

22 Mar Farewell Lunch @12.15pm

23 Mar Monday Small Group @8.00pm
25 Mar Campbell Group @10.30am

Nursing Home Services @2.30pm Committee Meeting @8.00pm

26 Mar Luncheon Club @12.30pm Youth Singers @7.00pm

Choir @7.30pm

<u>Summer Holiday Bible Club</u> – will take place Monday 27th July – Friday 31st July.

CHILDRENS & YOUTH MINISTRIES

0-4	Sun Tues	11.00am Crèche 10am Tots R Us	4-11	Frí	3.30pm GB (Explorers (3 - 8 yrs)
4-11	Sun	10am Sunday School 11.15am GLEEM	11-18	Sun	11.15am GLEEM 7.30pm Pitstop
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WELCOME

PRAISE: How great thou art

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder Consider all the works thy hands have made; I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder, Thy power throughout the universe displayed:

Then sings my soul,my Saviour God, to thee; How great thou art! How great thou art! Then sings my soul,my Saviour God, to thee: How great thou art! How great thou art!

When through the woods and forest glades I wander, and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees, when I look down from lofty mountain grandeur, and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze:

Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, ...

And when I think how God, his Son not sparing, sent him to die, I scarce can take it in; that on the cross, my burdens gladly bearing, He bled and died to take away my sin: Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, ...

When Christ shall come with shouts of acclamation, and take me home, what joy will fill my heart!
Then I will bow in humble adoration,
And there proclaim,
my God, how great thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, ...
Carl Boberg, trs Stuart K Hine

CHILDREN'S BIRTHDAYS

PRAISE: I'm counting on God

Well I'm in a fight not physical I'm in a war but not with this world You are the light that's beautiful I want more I want all that's Yours

Joy unspeakable that won't go away And just enough strength to live for today So I never have to worry
What tomorrow will bring
'Cause my faith is on solid rock
I'm counting on God
I'm counting on God x4

And the miracle of Christ in me Is the mystery that sets me free I'm nothing like I used to be Just open up your eyes you'll see.

Desperation Band

Children leave for GLEEM

APPROACH TO GOD

PRAYER

PRAISE: Jesus what a beautiful name

Jesus what a beautiful name Son of God Son of Man Lamb that was slain Joy and peace strength and hope Grace that blows all fear away Jesus what a beautiful name

Jesus what a beautiful name Truth revealed my future sealed Healed my pain Love and freedom life and warmth Grace that blows all fear away Jesus what a beautiful name

Jesus what a beautiful name Rescued my soul my stronghold Lifts me from shame Forgiveness security power and love Grace that blows all fear away Jesus what a beautiful name

Tanya Riches

NOTICES

WORD OF GOD

BIBLE READING: Colossians 1:15-23 (P1182) Read by Norman Michael

SERMON

RESPONSE

Praise: King of Kings

In the darkness we were waiting Without hope without light Till from Heaven You came running There was mercy in Your eyes To fulfil the law and prophets To a virgin came the Word From a throne of endless glory To a cradle in the dirt

Praise the Father. Praise the Son Praise the Spirit three in one, God of Glory. Majesty. Praise forever to the King of Kings

To reveal the kingdom coming
And to reconcile the lost
To redeem the whole creation
You did not despise the cross
For even in Your suffering
You saw to the other side
Knowing this was our salvation
Jesus for our sake You died
Praise the Father, Praise the Son ...

And the morning that You rose
All of heaven held its breath
Till that stone was moved for good
For the Lamb had conquered death
And the dead rose from their tombs
And the angels stood in awe
For the souls of all who'd come
To the Father are restored
Praise the Father, Praise the Son ...

And the Church of Christ was born Then the Spirit lit the flame Now this Gospel truth of old Shall not kneel shall not faint By His blood and in His Name In His freedom I am free For the love of Jesus Christ Who has resurrected me Praise the Father. Praise the Son ...

Timothy Dudley-Smith

COMMITMENT

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Mark Baillie

OFFERING

GLEEM members return

Praise: I will sing the wondrous story

I will sing the wondrous story Of the Christ who died for me, How He left the realms of Glory, For the cross on Calvary.

Yes, I'll sing the wondrous story Of the Christ who died for me -Sing it with His saints in Glory, Gathered by the crystal sea.

I was lost, but Jesus found me, Found the sheep that went astray, Raised me up and gently led me Back into the narrow way: Yes, I'll sing the wondrous story ···

Days of darkness still may meet me, Sorrow's paths I oft may tread; But His presence still is with me, By His guiding hand I'm led: Yes, I'll sing the wondrous story ...

He will keep me till the river
Rolls its waters at my feet:
Then He'll bear me safely over
Made by grace for mercy meet:
Yes, I'll sing the wondrous story ...
Jocelyn Marshall | Samuel Sebastian Wesley

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