

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, ARMAGH

‘A place of history, holiness and hope.’

To all who are weary and need rest, to all who mourn and need comfort, to all who feel worthless and wonder if God cares. To all who fail and need strength, to all who sin and need a Saviour, to all who hunger and thirst for righteousness, and to whoever else will come. This church opens wide her doors and offers welcome and love, in the name of the risen Christ. You are most welcome.

Services - 11.45am

Sunday 6th July

Armagh District LOL No. 5

Annual Divine Service, 7pm

Sunday 13th July

Sunday 20th July

Sunday 27th July

Sunday 3rd August

Sunday 10th August

Led by Very Rev Dr David Clarke

Sunday 17th August

Led by Rev Dr Liz Hughes

Sunday 24th August

Led by Rev Dr Liz Hughes

Sunday 31st August

Led by Very Rev Dr David Clarke

Meetings & Events

Held in Temple Lundie Room unless stated.

Prayer Meetings

Wednesday 16th July, 7.30pm

Wednesday 30th July, 7.30pm

Wednesday 13th August, 7.30pm

Wednesday 27th August, 7.30pm

Family Fun Day

Saturday 26th July, 2pm - 4.30pm,
Gosford Forest Park

Summer Opening

The Church will be open for viewing, prayer and quiet reflection on Thursday, Friday and Saturday afternoons from 2pm - 4.30pm.



Dear friends,

Just like that, summer has arrived, and many of us will enjoy some time off work and school. Some will enjoy a holiday in their caravans, others will perhaps enjoy a week abroad in the sun. Most of us live very busy lives and the summer gives us an opportunity to break from our usual routines and rest.

Jesus recognised the importance of rest during his ministry too. **‘Come away by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest’** he told his apostles in Mark 6:31.

Rest is vital for our wellbeing and Jesus knows this. We need rest for our bodies, minds and souls. As you enjoy a slower pace of life during these summer months, take this precious time with your family and friends but also with the Lord. Use this time to deepen your prayer life and reflect upon God’s word. The translation ‘quiet place’ literally means ‘wilderness.’ Perhaps you need remove all unnecessary distractions and allow God to refocus your heart upon his love and grace. Jesus is the Shepherd of our souls and longs for us to commune ever deeper with him; use this summertime to renew your inner life as we seek to walk with Christ each new day. **‘In quietness and rest shall be your strength.’** (Isaiah 30:15).

Yours in Christ,
Rev Thomas Moore.

Concerts in Church

Charles Wood Festival

Organ Workshop

Wednesday 13th August, 11am

Award Winners' Concert

Friday 15th August, 1.10pm

Singers' Concert

Saturday 16th August, 12noon

Brass Band Summer School

Finale Concert

Saturday 16th August, 7pm

Rotas

Cleaning Team (preparing for)

Sunday 6th July

Led by Karen Kerr

Sunday 13th & 20th July

Led by Lynda Coleman

Sunday 27th July & 3rd August

Led by David Harrison

Sunday 10th & 17th August

Led by Sadie Somerville

Sunday 24th & 31st August

Led by Norman Shilliday

Stewards

Sunday 6th, 13th & 20th July

Godfrey Abbott, James Leeman,
Billy Monaghan, Alan Turtle.

Sunday 27th July, 3rd & 10th August

Wilson Ballantine, Hamilton Brown,
Raymond Sloane, Ivor Stevenson.

Sunday 17th, 24th & 31 August

James Boyd, Florence Megaw,
Eileen Reid, Alwyn Whitford.

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Our minister Rev Thomas Moore will be on holiday from 4th - 31st August. In cases of pastoral emergency, please contact our Clerk of Session Ian Kyle on 07713636413.

Looking Back

June was a month full of special moments in our Church family. We began by sharing the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper and celebrated Trinity Sunday with a joyful Children's Day Service, led by our young people. A sincere thank you to all our teachers for their faithful work throughout the year. Our Teddy Bears' Picnic was held indoors and we enjoyed a lovely time of food and fellowship, followed by games on the Mall. Our witness then continued with Singing on the Steps, as we gathered outdoors to praise God together. The last Bible Study before the summer break took place in Tassagh Presbyterian Church, and we also shared joint fellowship during our Monday evening Summer Walks, exploring our beautiful city. The month concluded with a superb Barbecue, and we now look ahead with anticipation to our autumn activities.



Prayer Points

- ✦ As many families and individuals enjoy the summer break, pray that each one would be refreshed and encouraged in their walk with Christ.
- ✦ It's now six months since Thomas was installed as our new minister. As he takes some time off over the summer, pray that he will be refreshed in heart and soul for the start of a new church year.
- ✦ Give thanks for all that God is doing in our midst and pray that many more will come to know Christ as their Saviour and friend.
- ✦ Pray for our local and national political representatives that they would '*act justly, love mercy and walk humbly with their God.*' (Micah 6:8).
- ✦ Remember the nations of the world: those torn asunder by war, famine and injustice. Pray for peace in every land where there is conflict that almighty God would grant His saving grace to many hearts.