

Morning Order of Service – 22nd October 2006 @ 11am

Our service today includes the Sacrament of Baptism.

Opening Praise – (led by Chris Currie)
(MP 445) “Lord, the light of your love is shining”
here.”

Welcome & Announcements

Preparation for The Word

Call to Worship - Psalm 40^{v1-3}

PRAISE “What a wonderful change” (MP 748)

Prayer

Proclamation Of The Word

Children's Address

PRAISE "If I come to Jesus" (Hymn 58)
(Junior Church Leave)

Reading Acts 2^{v36-47}

Sermon “Baptism”

Offering

Dedication and Prayers of Intercession

PRAISE “God forgave my sin in Jesus’ name;” (MP 181)
(Welcome Phillip & Claire Gorman and their daughter Katie,
also Jonathan & Amy Caskey and their daughter Abbie)

Sacrament of Baptism

Baptism of Katie and Abbie on their parent's profession of faith.

Praise “Our children Lord in faith and prayer” (from CH2 306)

Benediction.

Today@first

10am **Sunday School and Bible Class**

10:30 **Prayer Time** (Minister's room). Everyone Welcome.

11am **Morning Worship** (Including the sacrament of Baptism)- Rev Curry (Crèche - pre school (*Minor Hall*), Junior Church – primary (*Main Hall*))

5:30pm **Christianity Explored Leaders** meet in Minor Hall (and from 7:15 to 8pm)

6pm **Christianity Explored Course** – Everyone Welcome (*Main Hall*). Cup of tea served from 5:45.

Monday 23rd

7-8pm **5 a side football** at Meadowbank for 16 yr + (cost£2.50) all welcome! Further details - Philip Gorman (79300176) / Richard Campbell (86747384)

7.45pm **Bowls** in the Main Hall. New members made very welcome.

8:30pm **Soul Mates** (A Ladies walking group). Leaving from the church car park.

Tuesday 24th

9-9.30am **School Assembly** (MPS) Helpers are required for supervision of children. If you can volunteer please contact Rev. Curry.

7-9pm **English language classes** for migrant workers (*Church Halls / Graham Room*).

7:30pm **Kirk Session** in Minister's room (*agenda available in elders post boxes*)

Wednesday 25th

10-12am **Parent and Toddlers**. All parents and carers very welcome.

“He put a new song in my mouth,
a hymn of praise to our God.
Many will see and fear
and put their trust in the LORD.”
(Psalm 40v3)

(MP 133) “Father, I place into your hands.

(MP 38) “As we are gathered, Jesus is

6-7.15pm **Girls Brigade - Explorers** Age 3-7
7-8.45pm **Girls Brigade - Juniors** Age 8-10
7.45-9.30pm **Girls Brigade - Seniors/Brigaders** Age 11+ years

Thursday 26th

7.45pm **Bowls** in the Main Hall. New members made very welcome.
8pm **MIDWEEK** this week is our monthly Prayer Meeting. Everyone welcome

Saturday 28th

7-8pm **J Team (Jr YOUTH@First)** continues fortnightly for children p3-p7. Parents are asked to leave children off and collect them at the door at back of halls. Further details on tables or from Melanie Boyce / Lorna Curry.
8-10pm **YOUTH@First**. (for young people first form and over)

Next Sunday 29th October 2006

10am **Sunday School and Bible Class**
10:30 **Prayer Time** (Minister's room). Everyone Welcome.
11am **Morning Worship** (All age service)- Rev Curry
(Crèche - pre school (*Minor Hall*), No Junior Church children remain in church)
5:30pm **Christianity Explored Leaders** meet in Minor Hall (and from 7:15 to 8pm)
6pm **Christianity Explored Course** – Everyone Welcome (*Main Hall*). Cup of tea served from 5:45.

Church Notices

1. **Prayer points** for November should be given to Lorna Curry (LornaCurry@hotmail.com) by today. The November Suggestions for Prayer will be available at our monthly prayer meeting on Thurs 26th October.
2. **Christianity Explored** course continues. This for all who are interested in exploring what Christianity is really about. Feel free to come along even if you missed last week. The format is; Cup of tea (5:45-6), Discussion groups and a Talk (6-7). We have helpers who will take care of pre-school & primary school children for parents who want to come along, and there will be a discussion group specifically for young people. **Further details** from Rev Curry.
3. **PWA Mission boxes** - During the next month an update of all collectors' districts will take place. Volunteers to collect boxes annually in a district are greatly welcomed. Please contact May Hogg Tel. 02879 468225 or Pamela Evans Tel. 02879 469322. A meeting will be held on Mon 6th Nov to finalise these lists. Could all current collectors please pass a list of people in their existing districts to May Hogg if they have not already done so.
4. All **young people** are invited to "The ripple effect" **coffee bar** on Saturday 4th Nov at 8pm in 2nd Moneymore Presbyterian Hall, Music by Grant Robinson and Speaker Bill Parker (*An outreach of Tyrone Presbytery*)
5. **Choir Practices** in preparation for the Carol Service will commence on Sun 19th Nov at 2.30pm in the Church.
6. Anyone wishing to order a **Reachout Desk / Wall calendar** please put their name on the sheets provided in the vestibule and at the Link door, or contact Pamela Evans 02879 469 322. Price £2.30 each.
7. If anyone would like to place **flowers** in church for Sun 29th Oct or to volunteer for **flower delivery** during the month of December, please add your name to the rota in the vestibule. The **new Rota** for 2007 for flowers and delivery is also in the vestibule, if you would like to provide flowers please put your name against the appropriate date. The church flowers are delivered weekly to those who are ill, bereaved, etc.
8. The **Mission Awareness Group** are holding their annual **Clothes Collection** at the end of November. All good quality clothing will be gratefully received. Knitting patterns are now available for the woolly hats, these can be collected from the Vestibule table.
9. **Prayer Partners** – Anyone who would like to be a prayer partner with one of the children from the Sunday school, please put you names on the sheets available on the tables.
10. We would like to thank Cheryl Hughes for offering to fill the post of "**Church Cleaner**" and we wish her well as she takes on this practical role. Cheryl reports to the Secretary of Committee and any cleaning issues should be raised with Secretary of Committee during the week – Phone 79631484.

Other Notices

1. **Magherafelt Boys Brigade** (*Union Rd, Halls*) Anchor Boys (p1-p4) Wed 6-7, Juniors (P5-P7) Fri 6:30-8, Company (*1st year up*) Wed 7:30-9:30.
2. **Care for the Family Magazines** are on the Porch Table. Please take one.

Suggestions for Prayer (*edited Prayerline - www.presbyterianireland.org*)

MISSION EDUCATION

The BMO's annual celebration of global mission is taking place this coming Tuesday, 24th October in *Cammony Presbyterian Church*, North Belfast, starting at 7.30 pm (*please note the venue*). This is an important event in the life of our Church and we hope as many as possible will come and join us. It's an opportunity to come together to worship and give thanks to God and to also hear how people in different parts of the world are engaged in the mission of Jesus Christ. Those who will be speaking include *David Conkey* (Asia), *Maureen Stevenson*, (Malawi), *Jim & Ruth Campbell* (Malawi), members of the *BMO Team to Gujarat, India* and *Representatives from Overseas Partner Churches*. *Rev Uel Marrs* (Overseas Secretary) and the Moderator, *Rt Rev Dr David Clarke* will also be taking part in what promises to be an interesting, informative and challenging evening of focus on mission around the world. The evening's programme is expected to be over by 9.30 pm.

Prayer Points –

- For all involved in organising and preparing for this event; particularly those who will be speaking; that each would be sensitive to the guiding of the Holy Spirit.
- That many will plan to be there to give thanks to God for what He is doing in His world today and to learn firsthand about some of the BMO's current involvements overseas.

Rotas (Please speak to those who arrange rotas if there are any changes).

Welcoming Committee (Rota by Jr. Todd).

October – Dr. Hunter, H Duncan, W Gilmour, D Finlay, A Evans, J Glassey & R Crossett.

November – R McKeown, T Johnston, H McKay, T Gregg, A Hogg, JF Hogg & W McGinnis.

Crèche (For Pre School children) (Rota by Janet Gregg).

Oct 29th – Diane Allen & Fiona Johnston.

Junior Church (For Primary School Children)(Rota by Anne Crossett).

October – Caroline Hogg, Audrey Steele & Anne Crossett.

November – Rosemary Finlay, Jacqueline Currie & Helen Currie.

Flowers Nov 5th – Doreen Brown Delivery – Maisie Smyth

Projection (Rota by Wesley Currie). Oct 29th – Judith Evans.

Nov 5th – Wesley & David Currie.

Parent & Toddlers (Rota by Maisie Smyth).

Oct 25th – Pamela Evans, Anne Watson, Elaine Freestone & Vivienne Weir.

Nov 1st – Brenda Hogg, May Hogg, Rosemary Kerr & Irene Duncan.

Youth @ First Oct 28th – J Evans (Epilogue), R Evans, T Diamond & H Badger.

Opening Praise Oct 29th – Praise Band Nov 5th – Anne Crossett.

Sound Desk Oct 29th – William Smyth Nov 5th – George Duncan.

Announcements to be with Rev Curry or Church Office by 12noon on Thursday each week.

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Our children, Lord, in faith and prayer,
We now devote to Thee;
Let them Thy covenant mercies share,
And Thy salvation see.

Such helpless babes Thou didst embrace,
While dwelling here below;
To us and ours, O God of grace,
The same compassion show.

In early days their hearts secure,
From worldly snares, we pray;
O let them to the end endure
In every righteous way.

by Thomas Haweis, 1734-1820.
as printed in Revised Presbyterian Hymnal (CH2)