

Main Street Garvagh Presbyterian Church

Purpose Statement: "To see unbelieving people become committed members of Christ's Church"

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8th December 2024

Welcome to our **Morning Service.** The second Sunday of Advent. "Christmas according to Isaiah" Reading Isaiah 9:1-7. Refreshments will be available at the close of the service.

Evening Service in 1st Garvagh 7.00pm. All welcome.

Garvagh Mission Hall tonight at 8.15pm Speaker Mr Bryan Cruise (Limavady)

Leprosy Mission ~ Anyone with boxes, phials or donations for The Leprosy Mission please give to Ruth Reynolds by 15th December. Thank you.

Thank you for the generous amount collected for Belfast City Mission (24th November) £683 and for the gifts for their Christmas Appeal 2024.



If you can help supply for the Carol Service Supper please sign up today.

Mingle at the Manse. As this is our first Christmas in Garvagh we want to invite EVERYBODY to the Manse as our way of saying thank you. On Friday 20th December you are welcome to the Manse for refreshments and festive treats. You will be very welcome anytime between 2.00pm - 5.00pm or between 7.00pm - 9.00pm. We look forward to seeing you then. Brian & Pamela

THIS WEEK IN MAIN STREET

Monday ~ Prayer meeting at 7pm.

Kirk Session at 8pm

Wednesday ~ Christmas Choir Practice 7.15 – 7.45pm in the church.

Joint Midweek at 8.00pm. Miss Linda McAuley, the full-time C.E.F. worker in our area will tell us about her ministry. Refreshments after the meeting. Everyone welcome.

Thursday & Friday ~ Boys Brigade

LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday 15th December "Christmas according to Matthew" Reading Matthew 1:18-25.

CAROL SERVICES

Main Street Sunday 15th December at 7pm Closing epilogue Rev Brian Smyth

Killaig Wednesday 18th December at 7.30pm – Closing epilogue Very Rev Dr John Lockington



Both services will have readings & carols followed by supper.

Bring your friends & family

Christmas Day we will meet in Main Street at 10.30am for our Christmas morning service. A relaxed an informal service. Children are encouraged to bring a toy for Brian to play with! The offering on Christmas morning will go to the **Presbyterian Children's Society**. If you can Gift Aid please use your PINK envelopes.

Main Men. We are delighted that we are getting a ministry to men reestablished and it will be called 'Main Men'. Our first get together will be on Saturday 11th January at 9.00am (SHARP) in the Pantry for a fry followed by an epilogue from Mr Andy Williamson. If you wish to attend a sign-up sheet is in the vestibule. Numbers are limited to 40 so get your name down ASAP! Cost: £10 per person and the money should be given to Mr Fred Smyth to secure your place.

United Appeal 2024 our target is £7236 an average of £56 per family. "The United Appeal for Mission is at the very heart of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. Every aspect of the Church's mission depends to some extent on United Appeal. It supports projects, programmes and staff at home and overseas. It helps congregations and individuals to build God's Kingdom through youth and children's ministry, social action and the training of leaders, for example" Please USE YOUR YELLOW ENVELOPE before Christmas ~ Thank you!

Accounts 2024 – All accounts will close on 31st December to allow accounts to be finalised for Presbytery and Charity Commission. Please have all donations in before 29th December 2024. Organisation treasurers please have completed accounts in the office by 10th January 2025. Thank you!

Freewill Offering envelopes for 2025 are available to pick up. Speak to some of the stewards if you would like give regularly to the church.

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS



1st Garvagh Carol Service Sunday 22nd December at 7.00pm

ROTAS

Stewarding

Dec 1 & 8	Fred Smyth	Stephen Dinsmore
Dec 15 & 22	William Campbell	Alex farlow
Dec 29 & Jan 5	Basil Moore	Brian Farlow

Collectors

Sound Desk

	Sound	Streaming	Powerpoint
Dec 1 & 8	Luke Dinsmore	Samuel Church	Vonla Smyth
Dec 15 & 22	Trevor Wright	Lewis Wright	Matthew Farlow
Dec 29 & Jan 5	David Kelly	Rachel Boyce	Michelle Donnell

Creche & Children's Church

Dec 1 & 8	Gemma Smyth	Alice Kelly
Dec 15 & 22	Jayne Torrens	Thomas Torrens
Dec 29 & Jan 5	Vicky Kelly	Charlie Kelly

Sunday Morning Tea

Sunday Evening Tea

Dec 8	Pamela Smyth	- -
Dec 15	Vonla Smyth	Carol Service
Dec 22	Gemma Smyth	-
Dec 29	Vicky Kelly	-