



Prayer Points for week beginning 28th April 2024
Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good. His love endures forever.
Psalm 36:1

Our Church

"Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours". Mark 11:24.

- Give thanks that God's word is preached faithfully from our pulpit, week by week. Pray for our Minister Jeff, our Clerk of Session Wallace, members of Session and Committee. Pray for God's guidance through the year.
- Pray for those members of our congregation who are ill or undergoing treatment or are unable to attend church because of age or infirmity. Pray that they will know God's presence and love in difficult times.
- Pray for the CONNECT inter-church youth night on Saturday 4th May, to be held in our halls. Pray for God's blessing on the organisers and all who attend.
- Remember the Antiques and Collectables fair on Monday 6th May. Give thanks for the organisers and helpers. Pray that those who attend will find God's welcome in our church.

Our Community

For the entire law is fulfilled in keeping this one command: "Love your neighbour as yourself." Gal. 5:14.

- Pray for our farming and horticulture communities, many of whom face difficulties because of the recent wet weather.
- Remember those in our community who are facing anxious or challenging times. Pray for those charities such as Christians Against Poverty (CAP) and local foodbanks such as Storehouse in Bangor and House Church foodbank in Newtownards who are seeking to help people in difficulties.

Worldwide

For he will deliver the needy who cry out, the afflicted who have no one to help.
Psalm 72:12.

- Uphold in prayer our missionaries at home and abroad. Pray for their protection and pray that they will be encouraged and strengthened as they share the good news of the gospel.
- Pray for peace in the Middle East and also in Ukraine and Sudan. Remember those who have been injured, bereaved or displaced. Pray for a de-escalation of these conflicts. Give thanks for the agencies seeking to bring relief. Pray that mercy and peace will triumph over hatred and violence.
- Pray for fellow believers who suffer persecution for their faith in many countries around the world. Pray for God's protection and that He will provide for their physical and spiritual needs. Pray for organisations such as Open Doors and Barnabus Aid who seek to bring comfort and relief.



Let His Light Shine

SUNDAY 28th APRIL 2024

Rev. Jeff McWatters

Welcome/ announcements/ birthdays

Call to worship

PRAISE: IPH239

"Thank you for saving me"

Prayer

PRAISE: IPH13

"Praise the Lord, all you servants"

Children's Spot

PRAISE:

"Wide, wide as the ocean"

Bible Reading

2 Peter 1: 1-9 (page 1222)

PRAISE:

"The love of the Father"

Prayers of Intercession

Sermon

Who is Simon Peter?

PRAISE: IPH492

"Before the throne of God above"

Benediction

After the service...

Tea/ coffee in the Welcome Area
Library open

7pm

Informal Service in the Welcome Area
(Youth Fellowship will start in the Welcome Area before going to the Youth Room)

ROTAS

CRÈCHE

Today – Rosemary Black & Jane Bell
5 May – Rosemary Black & Jane Bell

TEA/COFFEE

Today – Drew & Jean Hiles
5 May – Fiona B., Heather F. & Roberta W.

RECEPTION DUTY

Today – Charlotte Cunningham & Nola McC.
5 May – Catherine Burns & John Armstrong

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Mon 29 th	6.45pm	G.B.
Tues 30 th	10.15-11.45am	Tots & Toddlers
Wed 1 st	7.30pm	Summer Blitz Leaders Meeting
	7.30pm	Prayer Midweek
Thurs 2 nd	10am	Indoor Bowls
Sat 4 th	10am-12noon	Coffee Morning (Friend of Ards Hospital)

If you are in Year 8 - Year 14, you are invited to the next **CONNECT** inter-church youth night on **Saturday 4th May** from **7.30 to 9.30-9.45pm** (approx). This month's event is being held in Streat; the topic is "Encounters with Jesus: Doubting Thomas" and afterwards a time for refreshments and spend time together.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A copy of the audited **2023 ACCOUNTS** can be picked up from the Church Entrance or a digital copy requested from the Church Office.

The new **UCB "WORD FOR TODAY"** booklets are available from the Welcome Area and Church Entrance.

ANTIQUES AND COLLECTABLES FAIR – the next fair will be on **May Day, Monday 6th May**, from **10am-4pm**, with jewellery, collectables, antiques, militaria etc. Refreshments will be available and proceeds in aid of Church Funds. Everyone welcome so please plan to attend and bring a friend. Also, are you able to help? Sign-up sheets are available in the Church Entrance and Welcome Area or speak to Lynn Cairns if you are able to help exhibitors in and out, "do the door" or help serve tea and coffee.

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK is from **12th to 18th May**. There is no house-to-house collection this year. However, envelopes are available in the Church Entrance and Welcome Area, and can be returned in the collection plate or left in to the Church Office. Thank you for your support.

Our **CHILDREN'S DAY Service** is on **Sunday 19th May**. **CHILDREN'S CHURCH** will take place during June, July and August for all children going into Pre-school to P7 in September. Please speak to Heather Faloon if you are able to help one Sunday morning over the summer to ensure that there are leaders available.

OFFICE - Please email announcements etc. this week before Thursday. If you, or someone you know, is going into hospital, please let the office know.

If you have any specific requests for prayer, please contact our Minister, Jeff McWatters, on 07799552804. In addition, if there are any situations that arise for which you need practical support, please contact Jeff or our Clerk of Session, Wallace McKee, on 07985 085527, or your elder.