



WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Our main gatherings as a church family centre around Sunday worship. Our services are about an hour long. They are filled with Bible reading and teaching, prayers and praise, including a selection of traditional hymns and more contemporary praise. Our evening services normally take place on the first and third Sundays of the month in various formats.

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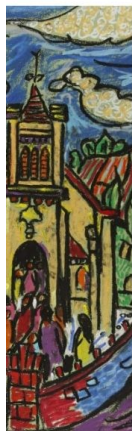


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MISSION STATEMENT

Gilnahirk Presbyterian Church exists to show the love of God in Christ Jesus, proclaim the Gospel and enable people to find its healing power, encourage members to worship and learn together and grow in faith, apply the faith in practical concern and help to others.



NEW TO GPC?

Whether you're new to church, have been a Christian for many years, or are looking for a fresh start, you're welcome here. Everything we do as a church is filtered through our focus on encouraging and equipping every person to take the NEXT STEP on their unique journey to connect with God and his church. We believe that as we keep walking together on this journey of faith, we are being transformed into the likeness of Jesus Christ and into a diverse but united community, where everybody lives, loves and serves with their whole heart.

VISITOR INFORMATION

We know that visiting a new church can feel a little overwhelming. We're here to welcome you and make your time with us a great experience! Step-free access to the building, lift, accessible toilets & baby changing facilities are available. Loop system is in place to assist hearing aid users during the worship service.

What's on

Sunday 30th November—1st Sunday in Advent

11.00am Morning Worship — Rev Roy Mackay

7.00pm Advent Carol Service—Rev Stuart McCrea
Special Christmas Praise led by the choir.

Praise 11am

Had you been there, would you know?
Jesus is the name we honour (IPH 214)
At the name of Jesus (IPH 644)
He will hold me fast

7pm

O come O come Emmanuel (IPH 299)
These are the days of Elijah (IPH 651)
Come O long expected Jesus (IPH 291)
Waken O sleeper (IPH 652)
There is a higher throne

Voting membership of Gilnahirk Presbyterian Church

At this important period in the Congregational life of Gilnahirk Presbyterian Church, Session is required to ensure that our roll of eligible voting members is up to date and properly reflective of our Church community.

To be a voting member of GPC, both of the following requirements must be met:

- 1) be a communicant member on the church roll
- 2) be recorded by name or number, as having contributed to the freewill offering of the congregation in the last financial year (for current purposes of our vacancy process, that will be Jan-Dec 2025)

We have recently reviewed the list of communicant members. We are also keen to ensure understanding of, and compliance with, requirements for recorded financial contribution.

If you are a communicant member, and don't currently contribute via Freewill offering envelopes or Standing Order, please consider doing so prior to the end of this financial year.

If you would like clarification of these criteria, or wish to discuss communicant membership, please speak to Heather Taylor. For enquiries regarding your financial contributions, please speak to Michael Thompson.

Coming up

1. Monday Morning Drop In meets weekly in the Styne Brae at 11.00am.
2. Gilnahirk Men's Group meets on Wed 3rd Dec 10.30am-12noon in JB Hall - Aidan Campbell 'East Belfast & WWII—They also served'
3. The Gilnahirk Friendship Group Christmas Party will be held on Wed 3rd December at 2.30pm in the Styne Brae Lower Hall.
4. Toddler Group will meet in JB Hall on Thurs 4th December 10-11.30am.
5. Urban Saints will meet at 7- 8.30pm on Sat 6th December in JB Halls for young people aged P6—Year 14

6. **Sunday 7th December**

11.00am Gift Service - Rev Roy Mackay

Donations of new unwrapped toys to suit ages 0-16, gratefully received for the Salvation Army Christmas Present Appeal.

6.30pm Uniformed Organisations' Christmas Carol Service

Sunday 14th December

11am—Rev Stuart McCrea

All Age Nativity Service led by Young Gilnahirk

Refreshments will be served in the Styne Brae Upper Hall after the service.

7. Flower Calendar - the Flower Calendar is now up in the entrance to the church. If you would like to provide flowers for a Sunday in 2026, please put your name at your chosen space. For further information contact Valerie Gamble tel: 02890798602.

8. **BIBLE STUDY NOTES** – Samples of United Christian Broadcasters "Word for Today", Scripture Union "Daily Bread" and IBRA "Bible Readings" are available on the Styne Brae entrance table. These publications are designed to assist people to read the Bible with greater understanding. Orders for previous subscribers will be processed automatically. However, those who wish to subscribe for the first time or amend a previous order, please record your contact details on the appropriate sheet or contact Stephen Jackson on 07879 487835

Announcements

1. Any pastoral issues can be directed to Rev Stuart McCrea by email stuart.mccrea@gmail.com or by mobile 07528366668. Or alternatively, please contact our Clerk of Session Heather Taylor via 07897243033
2. Please pray for the members of the East Belfast Presbytery Gilnahirk Vacancy Commission, especially Stuart, as they oversee the vacancy: Rev Dr Marty Gray (Moderator), Martin Hampton (Deputy Clerk), Rev Stuart McCrea (Convener), Rev Dr Drew Gibson, Rev Jimmy Warburton, Margaret Grayson, Tom McCullough and Hugo Wilson.
3. Prayer requests may be left in either of the boxes in the Styé Brae entrance and the vestibule.
4. Manna Foodbank in Dundonald - special requests this week include pasta 'n' sauce, biscuits, orange squash. Thank you!
5. There is a receptacle in the Styé Brae entrance for baby and children's items that anyone wishes to donate for delivery to PCI's International Meeting Point Op Shop at Carlisle Circus. Donations of clothes, toys, equipment, nappies and wipes gratefully received.
7. A reminder that the church office is closed until further notice. Please leave any messages on answering machine 02890403589
8. **Save the Date– Monday 22nd December 7pm in St Colmcille's Ballyhackamore** Night of the Father's Love– the awe and mystery of 'God with us' — A Christmas Cantata. The Gilnahirk Contact Singers warmly invite you to a celebration of Christmas by candlelight. All welcome.
9. Thank you so much to everyone involved in our 'Get Ready For Christmas' event last Saturday! It was wonderful to welcome so many people from both the church and the local community. While this event was not a "fundraiser" as such, a fantastic sum of approx. £2500 was realised and this will go towards supporting United Appeal.