

## WELCOME ™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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#### 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 2nd November**

**11.00am** Communion Service with Rev Roy Mackay Children will go out to Toddler Church & Kids Church in the Stye Brae Upper Halls after the first praise. Roots is off for half-term and any young people will remain in church.

**7.00pm** Reflective Service of Praise & Prayer in Lower Stye Brae with Rev Stuart McCrea (refreshments available from 6.30pm)

### **Praise**

11.00am

God is so good (IPH 86)
Living Hope
We come as guests invited (IPH 393)
Amazing grace (IPH 486)

7.00pm

Be Still (IPH 165)
Speak O Lord
Come thou fount of every blessing
Jesus all for Jesus (IPH 543)
I am not my own

Coming up

- 1. Monday Morning Drop In meets weekly in the Stye Brae at 11.00am.
- 2. Youth Council will meet at 7.45pm on Monday 3rd November in the Minister's Room.
- Gilnahirk Friendship Group as the Service of Thanksgiving for Bob Hanna will take place on Wednesday afternoon, our November outing has been cancelled.
- 4. Gilnahirk Men's Group meets on Wednesday 5th November 10.30am-12noon in JB Hall – Remembrance Week: 'Ode of Remembrance' & Nigel Henderson 'Post-WWII Housing in East Belfast'.
- 5. Toddler Group will meet in JB Hall on Thursday 6th November 10am- 11.30am.
- 6. Gilnahirk Urban Saints will meet at 7- 8.30pm in JB Halls for young people aged P6-Year 14.

### 7. Sunday 9th November

- 11.00am Remembrance Sunday Service with Roy Mackay There will be a retiring offering for the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal.
- 8. Presbyterian Herald—The Herald order envelopes for 2026 are on your November copy at the same cost (£20) for the incoming year.

  The envelopes can be returned via the collection plate any Sunday until the end of December. If you would like to order the Magazine for the first time, please see Hilary Gowdy at the Stye Brae entrance.
- 9. The church office will be closed until further notice. Unfortunately, the church email account was hacked this week and our email address is not available at present. A new email address will be available next week. In the meantime, to contact the church, please leave a message on the church answering machine 02890403589 or contact Heather Taylor, Clerk of Session, directly on 07897243033

# Announcements

- 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
- 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 Stye Brae entrance and the vestibule.
- 4. Manna Foodbank in Dundonald special requests this week include: adult toothbrushes and toothpaste. Thank you!
- 5. There is a receptacle in the Stye 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.
- 6. The October Herald is now available at the Stye Brae entrance.
- 7. A PCI Calendar for 2026 perfect Christmas gift will be ready soon. The price is same as last year (£5). To order please fill in the order form at either Church entrance or see Hilary Gowdy.
- 8. DON'T THROW IT OUT! Our regifting stall will need any new, unwanted items you can find in your cupboards. Please leave them with any choir member or in the clearly marked box in the choir room. Thanks from the Get Ready for Christmas Group.
- 9. **Newsletter Deadline** The church email has been hacked so we will not be able to receive any submissions for the December newsletter, or retrieve articles submitted already, at our normal email address. The deadline has been extended to Sunday 9th November. Please re-submit all articles already sent and also send any new material to heathertaylor163@hotmail.com