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We are a Registered Charity in Northern Ireland: NIC 104474

# 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.



# 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 little а 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 14th April

**11.00am** "Strong & Courageous - An Old Promise / A New Season / A New Joshua" (Deuteronomy 34:1-12; Joshua 1:1-11) with Mariann Gilicze. Children and young people leave for Toddler Church, Kids Church & Roots in the JB Halls after the opening praise.

#### Praise 11.00am

'Be strong and courageous' IPH 165 'Be still, for the presence of the Lord' IPH 514 'My heart is filled with thankfulness' IPH 492 'Before the throne of God above'



Coming up

- 1. Monday Morning Drop In meets weekly at 11.00am in the Stye Brae.
- 2. Congregational Committee meets in the Stye Brae at 7.45pm on Monday 15th April.
- 3. P.W. (Presbyterian Women) meets on Wednesday 17th April for a visit to Livingston Centre, Killinchy. The ladies going have to meet at the Stye Brae at 1.45pm to be at Killinchy for 2.30pm. Cost will be £8 each (pay Patricia on the day) for tour and afternoon tea.
- 4. Toddler Group meets weekly on Thursdays at 10.00am in the JB Hall.
- 5. Scripture Union East Belfast Coffee Morning Fundraiser at The Mount (Seasons), 2 Woodstock Link on Saturday 20th April from 10.00am to 12.00 noon. All welcome.
- 6. Youth Club meets on Saturday 20th April from 7.00pm to 9.00pm in the JB Halls for young people Year 8 Year 14. Cost £2 per night.

# 7. Sunday 21st April

**11.00am** Morning Worship with Stephen Moore as we start to focus on our upcoming election of elders.

**6.30pm** Café Church in the Upper Stye Brae with special guest Rev Enrique Tagle (Minister of Mountpottinger Presbyterian Church). Come along from 6.30pm to enjoy refreshments, fellowship and an inspiring evening with a strong international flavour!

- 8. Kirk Session meets at 7.45pm on Monday 22nd April in the Stye Brae.
- 9. Gilnahirk Men's Group hold their AGM in the JB Halls at 10.30am on Wednesday 24th April.
- 10. GPC Spring Variety Concert on Saturday 27th April at 7.00pm in the JB Hall. Tickets are now on sale and are available from the Church Office, Susan Rocke and Laura Hutcheson-Magee (£10 per adult).

# 11. Sunday 28th April

**11.00am** Morning Worship with Roy Mackay followed by a short Annual Congregational Meeting.

Announcements

- 1. Prayer requests may be left in either of the boxes in the Stye Brae entrance and the vestibule.
- Online services Find GPC's YouTube channel by searching for 'Gilnahirk Presbyterian Church' on the YouTube website or app. A link has also been published on the Church Facebook page.
- 3. Manna Foodbank in Dundonald Special requests this week include: bars of soap, toilet rolls, ladies' toiletries. Thanks!
- 4. We normally use the NIV-UK Bible translation in our services. If you wish, please use the pew Bibles (Good News translation) to view the relevant passages. Alternatively, collect one of the NIV-UK Bibles from the vestibule or Stye Brae entrance area as you arrive, but please return it to its place as you leave at the end of each service. Or bring your own Bible if you prefer.
- The 2024 flower calendar is in the vestibule. If you would be willing to provide flowers for a Sunday put your name at the chosen date. There are opportunities in May and June to assist with this important ministry. For further details contact Valerie Gamble 02890798602.
- Free copies of Premier magazines (Christianity, Woman Alive and Voice of Hope which includes 92 days of Bible-based devotions) courtesy of Katie Pollock are available in the Stye Brae entrance. Please take one for yourself or to give to someone else.
- Zimbe! Come sing the songs of Africa! in Fisherwick Presbyterian Church, Malone Road at 7.00pm on Saturday 20th April. Admission: by donation (suggestion adults £12-50; under-18 free).
- 8 "Autism in the Church" an awareness / training event organised by East Belfast Presbytery from 10.00am to 12.30pm (registration from 9.30am) on Saturday 27th April in Knock Presbyterian Church. The event Is free and is open to everyone. To register or for more info, contact Rev Jim Campbell (jandrcampbell@btinternet.com or 02890709113).
- 9. Our Spring Plant Sale and Craft Fair is just a few weeks away. Please plan to be there on the morning of Saturday 11th May.