



# 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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We are a Registered Charity in Northern Ireland: NIC 104474

## 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 5th April - Easter Sunday All Age Service

**11.00am** Rev Roy Mackay followed by refreshments in Stye Brae Upper (No Toddler Church, Kids Church or Roots, however space is available in the Stye Brae during the service for any young families who may need it)

Please note there is NO evening service today

### Praise

**11.00am**

'See what a morning' (439 IPH)

'O praise the name' (Anastasis)

'Easter jubilation'

'Thine be the glory' (442 IPH)



**The Bible Course**  
NEW EDITION

Do you want to explore  
how to apply the Bible to  
your daily life?

**Our Discipleship Groups are running  
The Bible Course and YOU are invited to join!**

**Next Session: Exodus- The Story of Freedom**

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April @ 8pm**

or

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April @ 11.30am**

Meet in Stye Brae Centre // Refreshments served on arrival

[biblesociety.org.uk/thebiblecourse](http://biblesociety.org.uk/thebiblecourse)



# Coming up

1. Monday Morning Drop In is off for Easter, back Monday 13th April at 11.00am
2. Toddler Group now off for Easter, will resume Thursday 16th April.
3. **Sunday 12th April**  
**11.00am** Communion led by Rev Roy Mackay (please note there will be no Roots or Kids Church)  
**7.00pm** Prayer & Reflection - a short time of prayer in the Meeting Room
4. Discipleship Groups will meet on Tuesday 14th April at 8pm and Friday 17th at 11.30am in the Stye Brae for the next session of The Bible Course - Exodus: The Story of Freedom. Refreshments on arrival. All welcome.
5. PW - meet on Wednesday 15th April at 2.30pm in Stye Brae with David Surgenor - The Vine Centre'.
6. Gilnahirk Men's Group meet on Wednesday 15th April from 10.30am - 12.00 in JB Hall for our AGM.
7. Youth Club is now off for Easter and will resume on Saturday 18th April.
8. **Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> April**  
**11.00am** Rev Derek McKelvey  
**7.00pm** Rev Stuart McCrea
9. **Sunday 26th April**  
**11.00am** Rev Stuart McCrea
10. Changemaker– A HUGE thank you and well done to everyone who was involved in, and who supported, both of our 'Changemaker' evenings last weekend. Over £3,300 was donated to Christian Aid– an amazing total, which we pray will help restore hope and dignity among vulnerable communities across the world.
11. Easter Newsletter - extra copies are available at the Vestibule and the Stye Brae entrance to pass on to friends, family and visitors.

# Announcements

1. Rev Stuart McCrea, our Vacancy Convenor, will be on annual leave this week. Rev Roy Mackay will be providing pastoral cover from Monday 6th—Sunday 12th April inclusive. **Roy can be contacted via 07519018429. 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. All requests kept confidential.
4. Manna Foodbank in Dundonald - special requests: Toiletries. 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.
6. The church office hours are Tue/Thu/Fri from 12 noon - 5pm.
7. The Flower Calendar is 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. Further info - Valerie Gamble 90798602.
8. PCI Let's Pray Weekly Bulletin - this is available to download on our website under 'Prayer Resources'. Hard Copies are also available from the Styé Brae entrance table. Alternatively, you can subscribe to have it delivered straight to your email inbox by visiting <https://presbyterianireland.org>
9. Please return the key to the JB hall that hangs in the Minister's Room if you have borrowed it.
10. The April edition of the Herald is now available at Styé Brae entrance or Front Vestibule for collection. Thank you.