

at 7.30pm in the Brann Memorial Hall. Subscription - £5. All welcome.

19. **The Celtic Tenors** will be 'In Concert' supported by **Loughside Chamber Choir at St Anne's Cathedral, Belfast on Thursday 22nd April at 7.45pm**. Tickets, costing £20, are available from The Belfast Welcome Centre Tel. 9024 6609 or J2U Fundraising Team Tel. 9336 1191. Proceeds will go to J2U Mission Team Uganda 2010.

CRECHE ROTA

7th March	Pamela Wilson	Claire McConnell	Lauren McClintock
14th March	Irene Downey	Jacqui Coulter	Melanie McAuley
21st March	Helen McAuley	Sharon McConnell	Claudia Kirk
28th March	Arlene Boyd	Heather Patterson	Sian Agnew

The Creche is for pre-school children and is held during the Service each Sunday morning in the Patterson Room on the upper floor of the church vestibule. Thanks to those who volunteer their services to make this possible.

FORTHCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS

Sunday 9th May	Bread & Cheese Lunch - speaker, Billy Patterson, Irish Mission Worker in Drogheda.
Friday 21st to Sunday 23rd May	Church Weekend at Glenada House, Newcastle with Russell Birney. Do plan to attend.

Have you information for The Weekly Bulletin?

Contact Sam Waugh by

email: bulletin@firstballyeaston.org or by telephone - 9332 3708

no later than 9.00pm on a Thursday evening.

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CHURCH IN IRELAND



The Weekly Bulletin

Sunday
7th March 2010

Welcome to our Morning Service

Minister: Rev. E. S. McDowell

**Service will be conducted by
Mr Alan Moore (Student Assistant)**

Theme: The "I am ..." sayings of Jesus Christ.

Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life."
John 14 : 6

Reading: John 14 : 1 - 7 (Page 1082)

**Sermon: I am the way, the truth and the life.
A declaration only Christ can make!**

1. Jesus is the only way;
2. Jesus is the only truth;
3. Jesus is the only life.

1. **A very warm welcome is extended to you all.** If you are a visitor we invite you to mark your visit by signing the **Visitors Book** in the outer vestibule before you leave.
2. You are reminded of the **meeting of voting members of the congregation** at the close of this morning's Service to formally confirm the election of the three new candidates for the Eldership.
3. The **Enquiry Preparation class** for the May Communion will be at 3.00pm this afternoon at the Manse.
4. **Our PW Group** invite you and your friends to return this evening for their **Evening of Praise, led by Larne Choral Society** which will be held here **in the Church at 7.30pm. The Offering is in aid of Alzheimer's Society and Guide Dogs for the Blind.** There will be Supper afterwards for everyone in the Lecture Hall.
5. **Compassion for Christians in Orissa:** There are leaflets in the vestibule, printed by the CLIO TRUST, highlighting the persecution and suffering of Christians in Orissa. Since December 2007, Christians in Orissa have endured on-going attacks from fundamentalist Hindus. The Clio Trust is calling the Church to pray for Christians in Orissa and to sign a petition asking the Prime Minister to speak with the Indian Government in order to find a way to end this tragic suffering. The Petition can be signed and donations given on-line at www.cliotrust.org <<http://www.cliotrust.org>> .
6. Do remember to make use of our **Library** facility on the upper floor of the vestibule. You will find a good selection of books to choose from.
7. Do remember in your prayers the **work of our Visitation Team** as they continue to visit the elderly and housebound members of our congregation who are no longer able to come regularly to Sunday worship.
8. Have you left anything behind in church over recent months? If so you may wish to check our **lost property** book in the vestibule to see if it is listed and if so, claim it back again.
9. Members of the **Church Committee** are asked to **meet on Wednesday from 7.30pm onwards in the MacConnell Hall** to assist in putting together the 2009 Annual Report.
10. **'A Life Worth Living'** course will continue **this Thursday in the MacConnell Hall from 8.00 to 9.30pm. The theme for this week's**

meeting is 'New Friendships'. The purpose of this course is to study Paul's letter to the Philippians in a simple and practical way, looking at some of the new things Jesus Christ brought to Paul and the Philippians. The course is open to all, even if you didn't attend the Alpha Course last Autumn.

11. The **Gospel Concert** which was planned for **this Saturday, 13th, in the Lecture Hall has been cancelled** by Dr McCrea in light of his selection for South Antrim in the forthcoming Election. **Anyone who has purchased tickets should seek a refund from where they were purchased.**

12. **An evening with the New Irish Chamber Choir and Musicians** will be held **in Cambridge House Grammar School, Ballymena this Saturday at 7.30pm. Tickets, priced at £12.50 are available from the School - Tel. 2564 3151.** Proceeds are towards school funds.

13. The **Annual Congregational Meeting** to approve the 2009 Church Accounts will be held **on Tuesday week, 16th March, at 8.00pm in the MacConnell Hall.** This will be **followed by the next stated meeting of the Church Committee.**

14. **1st Ballyeaston Company Boys' Brigade** will hold their **Annual Parents and Friends Evening on Saturday 20th March at 7.00pm in the Brann Memorial Hall.** Everyone is welcome.

15. The **Templepatrick Presbytery** are hosting a **'Celebration of Mission in Praise and Worship'** on **Sunday 21st March in High Street Presbyterian Church, Antrim at 7.00pm.** Guest Speaker: Mr Billy Patterson, Irish Mission Worker in Drogheda Presbyterian Church.

16. The Housing Executive is currently assessing the **need for social housing and interest in affordable shared ownership housing in Ballyeaston Village.** If you or someone you know is interested, see the leaflet/notification form in the vestibule or contact the Housing Executive on 03448 920901. **Contact should be made with NIHE by 19th March 2010.**

17. A poster giving details of **PCI Summer Outreach Team** opportunities for young people age 16+ during July and August 2010 is on the noticeboard in the vestibule. **Applications close Wednesday 31st March** - application forms are available at www.pciyac.org/summeroutreach Cost is £45.

18. **2nd Ballyeaston PW Group** will present Lisnamurrican Young Farmers Club in **'Don't Tell The Wife'** by Sam Cree on **Saturday 10th April**