

BEREAVEMENT NOTICE

The death took place on Monday last (22nd) of Dr Elizabeth (Isa) Woodburn late of 81 Braepark Road, Ballyclare. As a congregation we convey our sympathy and prayers to her brothers and sisters of whom Samuel is a member of this congregation, and commend them and the wider family circle, together with all who mourn today, to the comfort and loving care of our gracious Heavenly Father.

CRECHE ROTA

28th February	Amanda Shaw	Pauline Watt	Finlay McConnell
7th March	Pamela Wilson	Claire McConnell	Lauren McClintock
14th March	Irene Downey	Jacqui Coulter	Melanie McAuley
21st March	Helen McAuley	Sharon McConnell	Claudia Kirk

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 (Mission Ireland).
Friday 21st to Sunday 23rd May	Church Weekend at Glenada House, Newcastle with Russell Birney.

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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This building is fitted with an induction loop system for the hearing impaired.

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The Weekly Bulletin

Sunday
28th February 2010

Welcome to our Morning Service

Minister: Rev. E. S. McDowell

Assisted by Mr Alan Moore (Student Assistant)

Theme: The “I am ...” sayings of Jesus Christ.

“While I am in the world, I am the light of the world.”
John 9:5

Reading: John 9 : 1 - 12 & 35 - 41 (Pages 1075/6)

Sermon: I am the Light of the World

1. Jesus dispels the darkness of superficiality;
2. Jesus dispels the darkness of sin;
3. Jesus dispels the darkness of hopelessness.

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. The **Enquiry Preparation class** for the May Communion will be at 3.00pm this afternoon at the Manse.
3. The series of **'reflections' being held in 2nd Ballyeaston during the Sundays of Lent** involving Worship, Praise, Prayer, Fellowship and Discussion **will continue this evening at 7.00pm. Everyone is welcome.**
4. **Women's World Day of Prayer** Service for this area will be held **here in the Church this Friday, 5th March, at 8.00pm.** Guest speaker will be Rev Anne Tolland. Please come and support this event. Everyone welcome.
5. **Our PW Group** invite you and your friends to their **Evening of Praise, led by Larne Choral Society,** to be held here **in the Church next Sunday, 7th March, at 7.30pm. Offering in aid of Alzheimer's Society and Guide Dogs for the Blind.** Supper afterwards for all in the Lecture Hall.
6. **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>> .
7. 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.
8. 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.
9. 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.
10. **Practices for Choir and Music Group** will be held on **Wednesday evening at 8.00pm in the church.**

11. **'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 Responsibilities'.** 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.
12. 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.**
13. You will find details on the main notice board in the vestibule of the **Ballyclare Neighbourhood Police Team** giving contact details of those involved and areas covered.
14. Tickets for the **Gospel Concert** planned for **Saturday 13th March in our Church Lecture Hall** are currently on sale from Bert McCormick, Main Street, the Christian Book Centre, Rashee Road or through Sadie Bates (the organiser) on 9332 3430. **Due to the lack of interest to date, the sale of tickets from the shop outlets will be withdrawn from close on Saturday 6th March so that a decision can be taken on whether the concert has to be cancelled.** The Concert, commencing at 7.30pm, features Rev William McCrea, Karla Gregg and the Thompson Brothers (Low Country Boys). **Tickets cost £7. Proceeds are in aid of RVHSC Diabetes Research and our Church Vestibule Fund.**
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. 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.
17. **2nd Ballyeaston PW Group** will present Lisnamurrican Young Farmers Club in **'Don't Tell The Wife'** by Sam Cree on **Saturday 10th April at 7.30pm in the Brann Memorial Hall.** Subscription - £5. All welcome.