***Porch Duty:***

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| **April** | Gareth Clarke & Derek Sawyers |
| **May** | Gavin Clements & Christine Clements |

***Junior Church*:**

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| **2 & 9 April** | Linda Brown, Wendy Clarke, Louise & Karen Beacom |
| **16 & 23 April** | No Children’s Church |
| **30 April** | All Age Service |
| **7 May** | Communion Service |
| **14 May** | Judith & Philip Beacom, Caroline & Chloe Crawford & Catherine McDowell |

***Creche:***

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| **2 April** | Aimee Anderson & David Clarke |
| **9 April** | Beacom Family |
| **16 April** | Easter Sunday – no Creche  |
| **23 April** | Vera & Nancy Kerr |
| **30 April** | All Age Service |
| **7 May**  | Communion Service |

***PowerPoint Rota:***

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| **2 April** | Kyle Sawyers |
| **16 April** | Mavis Crawford |
| **30 April** | Karen Beacom |
| **13 May** | Kyle Sawyers |

***Sound System:***

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| **2, 9 & 30 April** | Darren Clarke |
| **16 April** | Philip Beacom |
| **23 April** | Kyle Sawyers |

***Flower Rota:*** Mavis Crawford

**CDs of our services** are available on the table in the porch. Please feel free to lift one. If you would like to order a one-off or have one reserved for you or someone else each week, fill in a CD order form in the vestibule and put it in the box provided. The CDs are disposable so there is no need to bring them back.

Should you wish to contact our minister, please do not hesitate to do so. The manse phone number is 028 8075 7362 and Norman’s mobile no is 077 6388 3192. E-mail: nsmyth@presbyterianireland.org.

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Sixmilecross Presbyterian Church

Announcements

April 2017

***Sunday Services: 10:30 am - Rev Norman Smyth***

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|  9 April  | Tearfund Sunday with Mrs Karen Craig as our Tearfund speaker. The loose offering on this Sunday will be going towards the work of Tearfund. |
| Good Friday 14 April at 8:00 pm | Service in the Johnston Memorial Hall |
| Easter Sunday 16 April: | Dawn service at 6:30 am at Knockmanny and Easter morning service in the church at10:30 am. No Sunday School, Bible Class, Children’s Church or Creche |
| 23April | Morning service will be conducted by Dr Bobi Brown, Executive Secretary of the Belfast City Mission. No Sunday School, Bible Class or Children’s Church |
|  30 April | All age service and our Pre-Communion Service.  |
| 7 May:  | Communion Sunday. No Sunday School, Bible Class, Children’s Church or Crèche. |

**Midweek:** This month, we meet for Bible study and prayer in the Johnston Memorial Hall on Wednesday **5 and 26 April**. This finishes Midweek for the year. Many thanks to all who have supported Midweek during the year.

**Bowling Club:** Each Monday at 8:00 pm in Church Hall.

**Ladies Bible Book Group** meets in the manse on Wednesday mornings 10.15 – 11.45 (please note change of start time). Also, please note we won’t meet on 12 and 19 April due to Easter Break. Recommencing on 26 April for another 2 weeks, prior to summer break. Come along any morning you’re free. You’ll be very welcome!

**Mens’ Fellowship Book Night: Friday 28 April** at the Manse for 8:00 pm. Discussing Chapter 4 of Knowing God. All men welcome to drop in.

**PW:** **Tuesday 11April** at 8:00 pm in Minor Hall - Vintage Tea and Annual General Meeting

**Sunday School:** Responding to the decline of young people in our Sunday School and Bible Class, Session and Sunday School have decided to move the timing of Sunday School to after church from 11:40 am to 12:10 pm. The main reason for not moving Sunday School and Bible Class to during the morning service is that that arrangement would mean young people are not regularly experiencing a full service until they are almost adults. We warmly encourage children and young people to come along to our morning services at 10:30 am and stay for Sunday School and Bible Class. The overall time on site is now reduced from 2 hrs to 1hr and 40 mins. We envisage that most parents will want to go home, get the dinner on and return to pick up their family. However, tea making facilities will be available in the Minor Hall for parents who would prefer to wait and chat or read until Sunday School finishes. This change will take effect when Sunday School resumes after Easter on **Sunday 30April.**

**For all young people**:

* A joint youth event is planned for **Sunday 7 May** from 7:00 - 9:00 pm in Sixmilecross Church of Ireland Hall. Speaker: Rick Hill.
* For your diary: Outing for all Post-Primary young people on Saturday **24 June** to Blessingbourne Estate for bike or walking trails followed by BBQ at the manse. More details to follow.

**New Communicants**: Recap Communion Class for any who have missed classes 2 and 3 to be held in the Manse on **Thursday 13 April at 8:30** **pm.**

**Parent & Children’s Social Event at Cooley Castles: Saturday 6 May from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm.** This is primarily for children aged up to Primary 7, toddlers included. Bouncy castles, go-karts and laser tag. This is free and each child will receive chicken nuggets, chips and a drink mid-way through at 5:00 pm. If they wish, parents can avail of nuggets, chips, tea, coffee etc also at a cost of £2 each. If you hope to attend, please put names down on sheet in vestibule A.S.A.P. Any queries, speak to Linda Smyth 02880 757362.

**Tearfund Table Quiz:** Teams are invited along to an evening’s light hearted craic in the McKinney Hall, Clogherney on **Friday 7 April** at 7:30 pm. Tables are £15 and all proceeds go to Tearfund.

**Minister’s Holidays:** Norman will be on annual leave from **Monday 17 to Sunday 23 April** inclusive. Should you require the services of a minister during this time please contact Robert Kidd (028 8075 8394) for details of the covering minister.

**Childreach Tea and Coffee Morning**

**in Church Hall**

**Saturday 8 April 2017**

**10:00 am – 12:30 pm**

**(Matthew Crawford will be travelling to Mount Kilimanjaro in August in aid of Childreach International, an amazing charity that has helped many children in impoverished nations worldwide.)**

**All Donations Welcome**

**Further dates** for the months ahead can be found in the church calendar online at **sixmilecrosspc.org**

*All notices are subject to the will of God.*