

In person in our church halls. Pray also for new volunteers to help.

SUN 26 Continue to pray for both our Sunday services – for all the preparation behind the scenes, for the musicians and singers, Kidzone, those preaching, and for all the administration and practical support. Pray also that we will be truly welcoming as new people attend.

MON 27 Thank God for the many years of faithful service that Billy Manson has given to BB. Pray for Alan Galbraith – the new captain, and the officers as they plan and prepare for BB.

TUES 28 Remember in prayer East Belfast Presbytery as it meets in Dundonald this evening, and also our own Church Committee which meets this evening. Ask God to lead and guide both groups in their discussions and decisions.

WED 29 Pray for the use of “Loving Church” as a Connect group and preaching resource. Pray especially for our Connect groups as they regroup after the summer.

This has been a difficult summer for many of our members – old and young. Pray for those unexpectedly in hospital and those back home again but still feeling very vulnerable. Pray also for those waiting for appointments or going through severe and debilitating treatment.

THURS 30 Pray for anyone having to leave their home and move into a care home, or change homes because of changing care needs. Pray particularly for those suffering from the shock and grief of bereavement. Pray that anyone going through difficult times such as these will experience God’s comfort, help and strength, and that their sadness or weakness will draw them close to Him.

BLOOMFIELD PRAYER DIARY SEPTEMBER 2021

**1 Thess 5:16 ‘Be joyful
always; pray continually;’**

WED 1 As we contemplate the start of the new term and try to return to some sort of “new normal” at church, pray that the decisions we make will be both wise and safe.

THURS 2 Give thanks for the success of our Summer Holiday Bible Club and for the delight of the children who participated. Pray particularly for all teachers, children and young people as they are heading back to school, and pray especially that their education will not be so disrupted this year.

FRI 3 Pray that whole families will return to worship and that we will be open to greet and welcome new people and visitors too.

Pray particularly for the state of Afghanistan and for that desperate situation. Pray especially for any believers there.

SAT 4 Remember Frank in prayer as he will preach at the installation of Rev Jonathan Currie this afternoon in Kilkenny Presbyterian church, in his capacity as Convenor of the Council of Mission in Ireland. Pray also for Jonathan as he takes up this new role, and for Kilkenny church as they welcome their new minister.

SUN 5 Pray for the reopening of Kidzone during morning worship today, and pray especially for James and for all the Kidzone team as they lead this crucial ministry. Pray also for the work of Susan and the creche leaders as they aim to restart today.

MON 6 The theme for our church week of prayer will be “O Church of Christ, Arise”. Remember our prayer meeting tonight, - “Arise with Prayer, Penitence and Praise”, which will be an evening of reflective meditation and prayer held in the church. There will also be a daily devotion for each day of the week of prayer. Pray that many will be blessed as they use it.

TUES 7 Our prayer meeting this evening will be “Arise to proclaim the Gospel”.

Remember our prayer time, which will be by zoom and which will think about our mission to make Christ known both locally and globally.

WED 8 Tonight's prayer theme will be "Arise to prepare disciples" which will also be by zoom and will be a time of prayer to highlight the different ways in which we seek to enable all age groups to grow in their relationship to God and be strengthened in their faith.

THURS 9 As the theme of this evening will be "Arise with pastoral compassion", we will meet again by zoom to pray for the many pastoral needs in our congregation, and the world and society around us.

FRI 10 On this our final evening, the theme will be "Arise with power and purpose" which will be an evening in church as we look forward to what God will do through us as we leave ourselves open to the leading and guiding of His Spirit..

SAT 11 Pray for good weather as all ages join for a prayer walk this morning around the district.
Commit to God in prayer our PW as they get together this

afternoon for some fellowship. Pray that the preparations and practicalities will go smoothly, and that the event will benefit all the women who attend.

SUN 12 Pray for our preaching schedule for both mornings and evenings, and for our themes of "Being Church", and Paul's pastoral letter to the Philippians.

MON 13 Pray for the families of the Anchor Boys, Junior Section and Company Section as they register for the new year at BB. Pray that BB will be able to meet in person this year.

TUES 14 Give thanks for 3 very successful inclusive sailing and cycling events for the Charis families over the summer. Pray especially that the Charis children and young people will settle back into familiar and safe school routines as they return to school.

WED 15 Pray for our Congregational AGM which will take place this evening at 7.30 pm and for all those who will prepare and deliver reports.

THURS 16 Pray for our bowling groups as they aim to restart today, and give thanks for all the fellowship enjoyed by the bowling groups. Continue to

pray for Helen and her work in Japan with OMF. Pray especially for safety and good health. Continue to pray for a new pastor for the Lighthouse Church, and that the church will soon be able to get back to a higher level of normality in church activities, which have been curtailed and with limited numbers due to Covid restrictions.

FRI 17 Remember in prayer all on stewarding duties, sound, camera, administration, behind the scenes cleaning and all other work done in preparation for our Sunday morning and evening worship services.

SAT 18 Pray particularly for the Christian Guidelines marriage preparation course in our church today from 9.30am to 4 pm, and for all those couples undertaking the course in preparation for marriage.

SUN 19 Pray especially for our morning and evening services and for all who preach and participate in any way.

MON 20 Pray for our BB boys as they start BB – hopefully in the new halls. Pray that they will be safe, have a good time and know God's love.

TUES 21 Remember in prayer our Kirk Session as they meet this evening and ask God to grant each member His wisdom and guidance as they discuss issues and take decisions.

WED 22 Pray especially for James and Heather Cochrane who serve in Portugal as they hope to join us in person at our prayer meeting this evening at 7.30. Give thanks for all their faithful ministry there.

THURS 23 Pray especially for Stephen Kerr from Legacurry church who will join us as our student assistant this month, and pray that he and his wife Kat will settle in well and quickly get to know the congregation.

FRI 24 Pray for a wedding which will take place in Bloomfield today, and pray for all married couples – that their homes would be happy, strong and secure.

SAT 25 Pray for safety and good fellowship as our walking group heads out today. Pray for wisdom and guidance for the Charis leaders as they consider safety and timing for the re-establishment of Charis