

6TH MARCH 2022

THE LOWE DOWN



COMING UP

Sunday Morning 10am
and 11.30am

Sunday Evening 7pm

Prayer for Lowe is on the website and attached to your email. Please use this over the next month.

- Prayer Meeting on this week 7.30pm
- We have an ongoing collection for GLASS JARS in the hub, in particular smaller ones. If you could keep these and leave them, including lids, in to the Hub, Heather Currie would really appreciate it.
- Coffee Morning Saturday 5th March
- Please fill out our survey that went out on Friday about Church Service Times. We greatly value your feedback. Hard copies are available in the foyer.



Announcements

New Wine 2022 in Sligo <https://www.newwineireland.org/summer-conference>

This year there'll be two shorter conferences running from

9th- 12th July

14th - 17th July

If interested in going as part of a group or need more information please speak to Helen M or Joan T .

Prime Time Tuesday 8th March at 2pm in the seminar room . Studying Mark 1 verses 21 - 45 - Jesus begins his public ministry."

Presbyterian Heralds for March are now available in the welcome area. Thanks to those who have already paid and any remaining payments will be gratefully received.

Promiseland

On Sunday 13th March the Promiseland children will be planting some bulbs with the help of Lowe Eco Group. These will be kept on the church grounds where hopefully we can watch them grow and bloom into some pretty flowers in spring. Bring your gardening gloves if you have some, we would love to see you then!

Appeal for Ukraine

PCI have launched an Appeal to help those in Ukraine. You can give using the yellow envelopes in church.

Cheques should be made payable to 'The Presbyterian Church in Ireland' and designated for the 'Moderator's Ukraine Crisis Appeal'.





PRAYER ROOM

This is now the season of Lent, which, this year, is from Wednesday 2nd. March until Thursday 14th. April.

Lent is a time for Spring cleaning our lives, remembering the forty days Jesus spent in the desert.

The Prayer Room has been set up with opportunities for reflection, prayer and copies of daily Lenten readings are there for you to take home, written by Ossie McAuley.

Please spend some time in the silence and solitude afforded by this lovely room. It is available anytime that the church premises are open.

CROSSROADS 22 is going ahead from 8th - 12th August This outreach to the young people and families of our wider community is hosted by four Finaghy churches under the auspices of Scripture Union.

Helpers of ALL ages and giftings will be needed! No previous experience necessary!

Please consider spending one or two hours , or days, or the whole week to be part of this exciting time in our church life. Support is needed in teams , preparing food, helping in the Hub Cafe, pouring juice (unless Joe Furphy signs up first!), and many other tasks but most vital of all in praying. Chat to Pat Martin this week (07904336030) to find out how you could serve the Lord this year in CROSSROADS.

Website

Please check our NEWS section of the website for regular updates
<https://www.lowe.church/news/>

Announcement Deadline

Please send all announcements by 11am on Thursdays.

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Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

- God of peace and justice, we pray for the people of Ukraine and against the vicious war unleashed by Russia. Bring your comfort to the bereaved, injured and displaced. Bless and protect those in the health and emergency services trying to serve their countrymen. We pray for those living in terror for their families and themselves. We remember the agonising worry and distress of families separated by war as younger men go to fight the invaders. We pray your protection for those making hugely difficult journeys across Ukraine to bring their children and older relatives to safety.
- Heavenly Father, we pray for the vast numbers of Ukrainian women, children and the elderly flooding into Poland, Slovakia, Hungary, Romania and Moldova, with many of them moving on to relatives elsewhere. Bless the efforts of those welcoming the refugees and providing food, transportation and accommodation. We pray for the work of numerous groups in the UK and EU collecting goods or money for the refugees and ask for safe travel for the many van and lorry drivers travelling long distances with emergency supplies. Grant your compassion and wisdom for national leaders as they respond to the refugee crisis in their countries.
- Our Father, we ask for your spiritual blessing and safekeeping on all in our community. May we hear and obey your promptings to show your love to our neighbours. We pray particularly this week for the residents of Orpen Avenue, Orpen Drive, Orpen Park, Orpen Road and Porter Park.
- Lord, we ask for your blessing on Harry Bryans in Tournai, Belgium. Guide his work publicising effective strategies for children's ministry through "Next Generation Discipleship" workshops. Help him this month as he starts an outreach programme with a group of Belgian church leaders. We pray with him for an Action colleague still in Ukraine and for fund-raising and relief work with long-standing ministry partners and churches across the country. May Harry and Catherine soon fully recover from lingering tiredness after their recent Covid infections.

Prayer Chain - The Prayer Chain continues to be available for all and confidentiality is assured. Contact Noelle Millar at 90619385 and if no response leave a message. If no response follows please call Hilary Atkinson on 92671848.