

**Newtownbreda (St. John's) Presbyterian Church  
Announcements: 9th December, 2018**

Welcome to everyone, especially any visitors with us this morning.

There will be a **Traidcraft** stall in the Foyer after the morning service for you to make your **Fairtrade** purchases.

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- Monday*            7.45pm **PW Christmas Night:** the Cubs will be entertaining us  
*10th Dec*            and our own Clare Pollock will be demonstrating a Christmas  
                                 decoration project (please bring scissors and secateurs).  
                                 A lovely festive evening to get us all in the Christmas spirit.
- Tuesday*            10.30am **Carers & Tots.**  
*11th Dec*            7.30pm **Stated Meeting of Kirk Session** in the Megaw Room.
- Wednesday*        **Lunch Club** meets at 12.15pm in the Megaw Room for Christmas  
*12th Dec*            Lunch. Everyone will be made welcome.
- Thursday*            **Koinonia Christmas Lunch:** 12.30pm for lunch at 1.00pm at Shandon  
*13th Dec*            Golf Club.

**General**

**Pastoral Care:** if you need to speak to a minister please contact Rev Anne Tolland on 028 9064 0178 or 077 4036 2390. Alternatively you may contact Rev William Haslett on 028 9180 0859 or 077 4298 7589.

- Sunday*            7.00pm **Wintersong**, Quaker Meeting House, 22 Marlborough Park  
*9th Dec*            North. An evening of seasonal songs, carols and readings, with the  
                                 Down's Syndrome Association Choir, followed by light refreshments.  
                                 Supporting local and international refugee charities. Suggested  
                                 donation £5 - £10 at the door

**Advent Reflections - Rejoice!**

Wednesday Evenings 7.00pm - 8.00pm

12<sup>th</sup> December - St John's - God reigns

19<sup>th</sup> December - Ballynafeigh Methodist - God is love

- Sunday*            10.30am **Nativity Service**  
*16th Dec*            3.00pm **Community Carol Service in St Judes.**

**Samaritians Purse Christmas Shoebox Appeal: 'Thank You'** - Thank you to everyone who put together a Shoebox for the Operation Christmas Child Appeal. A grand total of **84 shoeboxes** were donated by members of the congregation, which was a fantastic response to the appeal. In total, **36,039** shoeboxes left Northern Ireland on 24th November in four lorries all heading for Albania. Thank you once again.

- Friday*            The **Simon Community** is looking for volunteers to pack bags at Tesco,  
*21st Dec*            Newtownbreda from **10.00am to 6.00pm, (two hour slots).**  
                                 Anyone interested in taking part can register their name by contacting  
                                 the Volunteer Coordinator, Rebekah McDonald, on  
                                 volunteer@simoncommunity.org. This is an opportunity to get involved in  
                                 helping to end homelessness in Northern Ireland

- Sunday*            10.30am Rev Anne  
*23rd Dec*            5.00pm **Carol Service** followed by refreshments provided by Asante.  
                                 **19th Belfast Rangers** will be setting up a stall in the foyer and serving the  
                                 coffee after morning worship. All donations will be in aid of the Gold Duke  
                                 of Edinburgh expedition that will take place in the summer of 2019.

*Tuesday* 10.30am Christmas Morning  
*25th Dec*