



# NET GAIN

growing for God  
in a world of  
excess

## Welcome to Worship!

Sunday 3 November 2024

**Net Gain:**  
Luke 8:22-39

**Power and Authority**  
Rev Paul Lutton



Newtownbreda  
Presbyterian  
Church  
(St. John's)

## ORDER of SERVICE

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

*Introit (SfW 129)*

*Don't be afraid*

**Song: IPH 508**

**Lord, I come to You**

Prayers of Adoration and Confession

Children's Talk

Sandy Kane

**Song: IPH 36**

**Who put the colours in the rainbow?**

Children leave for Sunday School and Sunday Club

Interview slot

Caroline Elwood

**Song: IPH 485 (Offering)**

**All I once held dear**

Dedication of Offering

Reading: Luke 8: 22-39 (p 64)

Deborah Doherty

Sermon

Power and Authority

*Anthem (SfW 87)*

*Take this moment*

Prayers of Intercession

Carrina Heron

**Song: IPH 448**

**Christ triumphant, ever reigning**

Benediction

Join us for tea and coffee in the church hall after the service.

## Bible Reading: Luke 8 : 22-39

### 平靜風和海

<sup>22</sup> 有一天，耶穌和門徒上了船，對門徒說：「我們可以渡到湖那邊去。」他們就開了船。<sup>23</sup> 正行的時候，耶穌睡著了。湖上忽然起了暴風，船將滿了水，甚是危險。<sup>24</sup> 門徒來叫醒了祂，說：「夫子！夫子！我們喪命啦！」耶穌醒了，斥責那狂風大浪，風浪就止住，平靜了。<sup>25</sup> 耶穌對他們說：「你們的信心在哪裡呢？」他們又懼怕又稀奇，彼此說：「這到底是誰？祂吩咐風和水，連風和水也聽從祂了！」

### 鬼入豬群

<sup>26</sup> 他們到了格拉森<sup>[a]</sup>人的地方，就是加利利的對面。<sup>27</sup> 耶穌上了岸，就有城裡一個被鬼附著的人迎面而來。這個人許久不穿衣服，不住房子，只住在墳塋裡。<sup>28</sup> 他見了耶穌，就俯伏在祂面前，大聲喊叫說：「至高神的兒子耶穌，我與你有什麼相干？求你不要叫我受苦！」<sup>29</sup> 是因耶穌曾吩咐汗鬼從那人身上出來。原來這鬼屢次抓住他；他常被人看守，又被鐵鏈和腳鐐捆鎖，他竟把鎖鏈掙斷，被鬼趕到曠野去。<sup>30</sup> 耶穌問他說：「你名叫什麼？」他說：「我名叫『群』。」這是因為附著他的鬼多。<sup>31</sup> 鬼就央求耶穌，不要吩咐他們到無底坑裡去。<sup>32</sup> 那裡有一大群豬在山上吃食。鬼央求耶穌准他們進入豬裡去，耶穌准了他們。<sup>33</sup> 鬼就從那人出來，進入豬裡去。於是那群豬闖下山崖，投在湖裡淹死了。<sup>34</sup> 放豬的看見這事就逃跑了，去告訴城裡和鄉下的人。<sup>35</sup> 眾人出來要看是什麼事，到了耶穌那裡，看見鬼所離開的那人坐在耶穌腳前，穿著衣服，心裡明白過來，他們就害怕。<sup>36</sup> 看見這事的，便將被鬼附著的人怎麼得救告訴他們。<sup>37</sup> 格拉森四圍的人因為害怕得很，都求耶穌離開他們，耶穌就上船回去了。<sup>38</sup> 鬼所離開的那人懇求和耶穌同在，耶穌卻打發他回去，說：<sup>39</sup> 「你回家去，傳說神為你做了何等大的事。」他就去，滿城裡傳揚耶穌為他做了何等大的事。

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



### CHRISTMAS SHOEBOX APPEAL 2024

Please remember that **today** is the deadline for returning your Shoeboxes. You can leave them in the foyer, church office or directly to myself. Thank you. Johanna Shields

**CHRISTMAS CHOIR** - The choir will be preparing special music for Christmas and would welcome additional voices. Rehearsals will begin on **Thursday 7 November** from 7.00-8.00 pm in the Megaw Room. Technical proficiency is not a requirement - you can learn on the job. So if you enjoy singing, come and join Deirdre and the choir in the joyful creation of Christmas music and the craic is great too!

**RAINBOWS** The 19<sup>th</sup> Belfast Rainbows will be serving coffee after church next **Sunday 10 November**.

**CONGREGATIONAL COMMITTEE** will meet at 7.45 pm in the Megaw Room on **Tuesday 19 November**.

### PW CHRISTMAS CONCERT – 13 December

PW present a very seasonal treat in the form of a concert with Ruth Jennings and friends.



The proceeds from this will go to help PW's Special Home Project which will come alongside the amazing work of Prison Fellowship Northern Ireland (PFNI), a Christian ministry responding to the practical, emotional and spiritual needs of prisoners. Presbyterian Women is hoping to raise £10,000 this year to help PFNI develop its work among women as they are released from prison.

**COFFEE & CHAT** Volunteers are required to help on Friday mornings between 10 and 12. Please consider coming to help, it is very much appreciated by those who regularly attend. New helpers would be most welcome. Thanks Barbara McNeill 07503 161142.

If you would like to have a notice included in the announcement sheet, please email [NewtownbredaAnnouncements@outlook.com](mailto:NewtownbredaAnnouncements@outlook.com)

Please try to send your announcements to us by the Thursday prior to the Sunday service.

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