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**HARVEST
THANKSGIVING**

**ROBERT JOINS AS
ASSOCIATE
MINISTER**

**PRAYER
MORNINGS**



Service of Introduction for Rev. Robert Ferris

2026

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DEAN'S LETTER

ALL FOR JESUS

On Sunday 6th September the Cathedral was filled with joyful worship as we welcomed Rev Robert Ferris as our Associate Minister. We met with the Lord in a memorable and powerful way.

Robert shared his testimony of God calling him to give his all for Jesus. Simon Genoe (our former Vicar) shared the word from 2 Kings 2 on the story of Elijah and Elisha. He asked us to carefully consider that most important personal question: "Have you been saved?" Have you received salvation through the blood of Jesus poured out for you at Calvary? This has to be our essential starting point for following Jesus! So our answer needs to be clear, that "Yes, Jesus reigns in my heart as my Saviour."

From this inspiring starting point we are called to follow Jesus. How then can we best be faithful followers of our Lord?

As I was praying about this for all in our church, I sensed God saying three ways that we can become better followers:

by being closer to the Lord.

by digging deeper into his word.

by building our lives on the Rock of salvation.

In this way our lives will be built on the rock and we won't only hear the words of Jesus, we will put them into every moment of our lives. We are to be like the wise man in Matthew 7:24-29 who built his house, his life, his all on the rock.

In doing this we can be sure of our salvation, be his witnesses and become better followers of our Lord. Then as the song teaches us, we will be truly all for Jesus.

“Jesus, all for Jesus,

**All I am and have and ever hope to
be.**

All of my ambitions, hopes and plans

I surrender these into Your hands.

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I surrender these into Your hands.”

This autumn our new sermon series is: **“The ‘I AM’ sayings of Jesus.”**

These cover some key scriptures that will help us to know Jesus, to understand who he is and to be his faithful followers.

My prayer for everyone is that the Word and the Holy Spirit are at work in our lives to remake us to be **“All for Jesus.”**

Have a wonderful and blessed autumn season.



Sam

LISBURN FOODBANK LIST

Harvest Collection Shopping List

Bags for life
Tinned peas
Washing up liquid
Tinned meat
Toothbrushes
Anti-bacterial spray
Small diluting juice



HARVEST

Sam

Harvest Thanksgiving Services

7.30pm Friday 9th October -

Rev Gareth Campbell (Blackstaff
Union of Churches, Belfast)

10.30am Sunday 11th October -

Rt. Rev Harold Miller (former
Bishop of Down & Dromore)

Our Community Harvest Evening Service with South Lisburn Community Church will hear from Gareth Campbell (our former Youth Worker) about his move earlier this year from Christ Church Parish, Lisburn to the recently formed Blackstaff Union of Churches covering Donegal Rd, Sandy Row and Donegal Pass. He will be sharing how he has been building church and community in this area of Belfast.

Our Harvest Thanksgiving preacher for our joint Sunday morning service at 10.30am is Bishop Harold Miller. In his long ministry he too has served in Belfast, as Chaplain to Queen's University, and in Cork Diocese where he was Rector of Carrigrohane (this is also where Robert was Rector) before his election as Bishop of Down & Dromore in 1997.

He recently marked 50 years since his ordination with a service in St Paul's Parish, Lisburn. Harold will be sharing his experience of ministry and encouraging us to grow the Kingdom. I am thrilled to have Gareth and Harold share God's word with us at our Harvest Services.



HARVEST ENVELOPES



This year our Harvest Donation Envelope's will support Abaana.

Abaana is a Christian based charity which invests in Children in Africa, helping them to break the chains of poverty, through education.

St. Peter's Primary School is in Kachango, eastern Uganda. It was started by the local church in 2012 because, like many in rural Uganda, children in the area were walking long distances every morning to reach school. In this area, only 1 in 4 people

aged 10 and above are able to read and write. Today, the school has classes from Nursery to Primary 7, catering for 430 children.

ABAANA NEED YOUR HELP TO RAISE £50,000. This will allow Abaana to build the first three permanent classrooms and an office at St. Peter's Primary School and they are partnering with Belfast High School to build another four classrooms.

Can you help Abaana give these children: **A safe place to learn, A dry classroom when the rains come and The hope for a better future?**

HARVEST THANKSGIVING

COMMUNITY HARVEST SERVICE

Friday 9th October | 7.30pm

Guest Speaker: Gareth Campbell

HARVEST SUNDAY

Sunday 11th October | 10.30am Joint Service

Guest Speaker: Bishop Harold Miller

Harvest Donation Envelopes will support Abaana: To help raise £50,000 to build the first three permanent classrooms and an office at St. Peter's Primary School.

There will also be a Harvest Collection for Lisburn Foodbank, if you wish to donate items from their list.

LIGHT PARTY

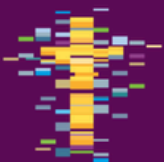
WITH GODSHANDIWORK PUPPETS

@LISBURN CATHEDRAL

**FRIDAY
30 OCT**

**FREE
7PM-8PM**

**FOR PRIMARY SCHOOL CHILDREN
(MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT)**



Lisburn Cathedral

LISBURN CATHEDRAL

SAVE THE
DATE

Ceilidh *at the* Cathedral

DOORS
7 PM

**SATURDAY
31ST OCT**

TICKETS: ADULT - £15
SENIOR CITIZEN - £10
CHILD (UNDER 16) - £5

LIGHT SUPPER
INCLUDED

BOOK ON CHURCHSUITE
OR VIA ANGELA IN THE OFFICE

CEILIDH STARTS 7.15PM

WELCOME: ROBERT FERRIS

I write this following the Welcome service held in the Cathedral on the first Sunday of September - and I want to begin by thanking everyone who participated in the service and refreshments - from the welcome to the worship, the hospitality and simply greeting us and making us feel at home. Thank you also for the beautiful flowers presented to Noelle.

By way of introduction ...

I'm Robert Ferris, married to the wonderful Noelle - we've been married for 7 years. I'm from Banbridge - just down the road! ... and Noelle is from Killkeel - slightly further down the road!



I'm ordained 17 years - my first 3 years was a Curate of St. Columba's, Knock in East Belfast before moving to Blarney in Cork as "Mission Minister" there and then taking on the Role of Rector of Carrigrohane Union of Parishes in 2020, a post which I held until the end of August before moving to the Cathedral.



I've a passion for seeing church reach out with God's love to the communities around about us and seeing people respond to the good news of Jesus. I also have a passion for mixed ecology of Church - meaning particularly the mix between inherited forms of worship with contemporary expressions.

I am a self confessed techie geek, love going for walks and probably will do a bit of my ministry around Lisburn on my trusty bicycle!

I'm looking forward to getting to know people across Lisburn and also being that bit closer to our families.

Over the next few months - my day off is going to fluctuate between either Wednesday or Friday over the next while as I settle into some sort of routine - if that's ever possible in ministry!

Apart from that ... I'm really looking forward to getting stuck into work here at the Cathedral. You'll find my contact details elsewhere in the magazine.

SOUTH LISBURN COMMUNITY CHURCH

Ministry Update: June–September 2026

The past few months have been an encouraging and busy season for South Lisburn Community Church, with opportunities for worship, discipleship, fellowship, outreach and investing in people of all ages. There continues to be a strong emphasis on growing together as a church family, creating opportunities for people to encounter Jesus, and encouraging people in their faith.

Investing in our young people

At the end of June, our young people and youth leaders took part in **Summer Madness 2026**. Some camped for the full weekend, while others joined us for the Saturday. The festival provided opportunities for sports, activities, seminars, worship and teaching, while also allowing our young people to build friendships with others from across Northern Ireland.

Our **Connect Youth Wednesday Drop-in** and **Friday nights** are starting back in September. **Youth Bible Class** will also be starting, running on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month providing an opportunity for our young people to explore Scripture and grow in their faith. We are grateful for the commitment of Laura and our youth leaders, and for the willingness of our young people to get involved.

Baptisms and Beach Day

July brought a particularly significant opportunity to celebrate what God is doing in people's lives. We gathered at **Ballygally Beach** to witness the baptism of four guys, Mark, Jim, Nathan and Rhylee as they publicly declared their faith in Jesus. It was a joyful occasion, surrounded by church family and friends.

Following the baptisms, we spent time together at the beach, with picnics, games and opportunities simply to chat and enjoy being in community. It was a good reflection of our desire to be a church where community extends beyond the Sunday service.



Worship, teaching and growing together

During July, members of the church attended the New Wine Ireland Conference in Sligo. The week included teaching, worship, children's and youth programmes, fellowship and time with friends from Lisburn Cathedral.

The conference was an opportunity for members of SLCC to be refreshed, encouraged and equipped, returning with renewed enthusiasm for what God is doing in and through our church community. It was a particularly powerful experience for many of those who attended, especially those who had never been before.



As Largymore School was undergoing a deep clean in July, we took church on the road and held Chit Chat Church in the Youth Centre in Hillhall. This provided a more informal setting for people to encounter God, hear from Scripture and enjoy fellowship over tea and coffee.

Steve and Jayne also kindly opened their home and hosted a BBQ for some of the new young adults who have started coming along, providing another opportunity to build relationships and help people feel part of the church community.

Church community and fellowship

We were back in Largymore School as normal in August and finished the summer with All-In Sunday, organised by Donna. The day included hotdogs, crafts, songs and teaching from Jayne on the Fruit of the Spirit.



South Lisburn
Community Church

To start September, some of the ladies enjoyed a walk together in Hillsborough, providing another opportunity for fellowship and relationship-building outside of our normal Sunday gatherings.

Our **Church Day Away at Murlough House** was another highlight. We welcomed **Lucy Burden from Mount Merrion Church in East Belfast**, who spoke on Beholding Jesus from 2 Corinthians 3:18 and what it means to be transformed by Him. **David Henderson from Christ Church Kilkeel** led us in worship.

The day provided an opportunity to step away from the normal rhythm of church life and spend extended time together in worship, Bible teaching, prayer and fellowship. It was a particularly encouraging and spiritually significant day for the church, with Pete also outlining the vision for South Lisburn Community Church.



Looking ahead

As we look towards the coming months, we are continuing to build on the sense of momentum and encouragement within the church. A key part of our vision is to **create a space where people can belong, believe and be transformed through the power of Jesus**. This vision is shaping how we think about our Sunday gatherings, children's and youth ministry, prayer, fellowship and our wider engagement with the community.

Regular prayer is central to all we do, and we held a 24/7 Prayer Day on Friday 11th September in the Youth Centre, organised by Pam. This provided an opportunity for people to come together in prayer and seek God for our world, our nation, our church and our community.

We have also begun our new teaching series, **"A Place at the Table: Six Meals from the Bible That Help Reveal the Kingdom of God."** This reflects our desire to be a church where hospitality and welcome are key, creating space for people whether they are exploring faith, new to faith or have been following Jesus for a while. We want to see a growing culture of invitation, where we encourage one another to invite people into the life of the church and, ultimately, into a relationship with Jesus.

Our hope is that through all these areas of church life, people will find a place to

belong, encounter Jesus and believe, and be transformed through the power of the gospel of Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit.

A season to be thankful for

Looking back over these months, there is much to give thanks for. From investing in our young people at Summer Madness, to celebrating four baptisms, attending New Wine, gathering for informal worship, enjoying fellowship together and spending a significant day away at Murlough House, there has been a healthy balance of **worship, discipleship, community and mission**.

Over the next few months we have a wellbeing and resilience course starting which Erin is helping to run, there's a men's breakfast at the end of September, a number of women from the church are booked to go to New Wine women and we hope to start Alpha towards the end of October. We would really appreciate prayer for all these things.

Thank you to everyone at Lisburn Cathedral for your continued support and prayer, it's vital to everything we do as a church.

You can keep up to date with us at southlisburnchurch.org or through facebook.com/SLCommunityChurch.

Love and blessings,
Pete, Donna, Jayne and Steve

CONNECT YOUTH

Laura Kilpatrick

Connect Youth has started back with a Summer Catch-Up Night at Barbour Park, where we played football & caught up with some of our young people. Our Wednesday Drop-In is back this term, with lots of young people calling in after school to play table tennis, Uno, and have some toast & Nutella! This has been a great time of getting to know the young people in the area and check in with them weekly.

Our Connect Youth Dinner & Games Nights have also returned this year, every other Friday night! These nights include cooking and sharing a meal together, praying grace together & playing boardgames or outdoor games. With this initiative, we hope our parishioners at Lisburn Cathedral can also be involved in this ministry by



volunteering to cook a meal for our young people (around 8 people each Friday night). We look forward to having Made for More along later in October to take workshops with our young people on “Positive Masculinity.”

If you'd be interested in getting involved with our CY dinners & would like to see what we get up to down in SLCC, please get in contact with me. You can contact me by email at youth@lisburncathedral.org

FRIDAY MORNING COFFEE

Why not join us on Friday mornings for a relaxed time of coffee, conversation and fellowship?

We meet in the **Coffee Room from 10am-1pm**, and everyone is very welcome.

There's plenty of time to catch up with friends, meet new people and enjoy some delicious **home-baked scones and cakes** along with your coffee or tea.

This is more than just a coffee morning. We also now have a **prayer space available in the church**, offering an opportunity to pause, reflect and spend some quiet time in prayer.

Whether you're a regular visitor or have never joined us before, come along and enjoy a warm welcome, good company and some lovely home baking.

Fridays | 10am-1pm | Coffee Room

We look forward to seeing you!



It's time for a Macmillan Coffee Morning and you're invited

Let's do whatever it takes to make cancer care better for everyone, whoever and wherever they are

Place: Coffee Room, Lisburn Cathedral
Date: Friday 25th September 2026
Time: 10am - 1pm
Contact: Jill Lester



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CANCER SUPPORT**

CATHEDRAL HOME GROUPS

Bill & Karen Welsh

Our studies this term will look at the
"I Am" statements of Jesus.

As we explore what Jesus said about Himself, we will grow in our understanding and faith. The Autumn term started back on 8th/9th/10th September.

For more details, please speak to Karen and Bill Welsh or Sam Wright

Home Groups



Hunger to **know** God

Passion to **serve** Him

Boldness to **share** Him

CAP

Paul Bailie

Your local Lisburn CAP team remain busy (we had 31 new clients last year) Several of the team have served since we formed in 2014 and Frank who stood down in the summer served for 15 years firstly in Willowfield and then the Cathedral!



*Frank
& Paul*

Recently a client asked me about attending church and I suggested one near where he lived and I also spoke with a CAP supporter who attended the church. On Sunday 16th August the CAP supporter phoned me to say our client had attended with a friend and his friend gave his life to the Lord and they were hopeful that our client would in the coming weeks!

On a national level there has been the exciting news that CAP and Community Money Advice (CMA a debt service) are coming together to better serve our communities. CMA have operated from the Social Supermarket for some time in Lisburn and we have built up a strong relationship with them.

Stewart McCulloch (Group CEO CAP/CMA) stated "On Tuesday 24th March 2026 we announced that we are

coming together with our friends at Community Money Advice. I have had a few months to get to know their trustees and leadership, and I have been deeply impressed by their faith, spirit and friendship. I am truly excited to meet many more of CMA's great people over the coming weeks. I know in my heart that this will be a powerful and fruitful alliance of like-minded people..... This is a powerful union.....This boost comes at a time when there is both great need and great openness to the gospel across the UK."

He later stated;-

"CMA recently released its uplifting Impact Report showing that 7,377 clients started their journey out of debt with CMA last year with an average debt of £10,292. It was not that long ago that CAP also issued its Client Report showing that 6,924 households were supported with their debt in 2025 with an average debt of £13,225. Together, we've helped over 14,300 clients with £167m in debt. Next year, we'll align these metrics for better consistency; however, the scale of our collective effort at the start of our journey is already clear.

More importantly, these impact reports show that both organisations are truly dealing with those in the most challenging and vulnerable situations."

So exciting times ahead as we seek to demonstrate the love of Jesus to those who need it.

CMSI MISSION TRIP TO SOUTH SUDAN

Jill Lester



January 2027 | Two Weeks

In January 2027, CMSI will be taking a team **to South Sudan for a two-week mission trip.**

Our primary purpose is to **encourage the church and strengthen relationships** with our brothers and sisters in South Sudan. We want to spend time alongside the local church, listen to their experiences, encourage them in their faith and ministry, and build on the relationships that have developed over the years.

This visit is an opportunity not only to serve, but also to learn from and walk alongside the church in South Sudan. We hope that our time together will bring mutual encouragement and help strengthen the partnership between our churches.

Please Pray

As we prepare for the trip, we would particularly value your prayers for the people of South Sudan and for the situation in the country.

Please pray for:

- **Peace and stability** across South Sudan.
- An **end to the Ebola outbreak** and protection for communities, families and healthcare workers.

- The **elections taking place in December**, that they will be peaceful, fair and orderly, and that they will contribute to a more stable future for the country.
- The **church in South Sudan**, that it will continue to be strengthened and encouraged as it serves its communities.
- Our mission team as we prepare, that God would guide us, give us wisdom and help us to be a blessing to those we meet.
- The relationships we already have with our brothers and sisters in South Sudan, and for new opportunities to work and pray together.

Could You Join Us?

We would love to hear from anyone who feels they might be called to be part of this mission trip. You don't need to have been on a mission trip before — what matters most is a willingness to serve, encourage others and share in what God is doing through the church in South Sudan.

The trip will take place in January 2027 and will last approximately two weeks.

If you would like to find out more about the trip, what will be involved, or how you can get involved, please speak to **Jill, Martin or Sharon.**

Please pray about whether God might be calling you to join us.

PRAYER WALKS

South Lisburn Community Church



There is something beautiful about meeting with God in the midst of His creation. As a church family, we experience this together through prayer walks and even when we do baptisms at Ballygally beach, surrounded by the beauty of the world God has made.

Prayer walking can also become a simple rhythm in our everyday lives. As we walk, we can slow down, pray and notice. A beautiful sunset, leaves changing colour, the stillness of the water or an unexpected glimpse of beauty can draw our attention towards

God and remind us that the heavens really do “declare the glory of God.”

A helpful tool to use as you walk is **PRAY**, moving through **Pause, Rejoice, Ask and Yield**. It creates space not only to speak to God, but to listen.

Perhaps that is part of the gift of being outdoors. As we become still enough to notice creation, we become more aware of the God who created it all, finding joy in the unexpected and glimpses of His presence all around us.

EARLY MORNING PRAYER

Start the day in prayer. A small group of parishioners meet every Friday morning from 7.30am-8am in the Coffee Room.

You'd be so welcome to join. Bring your travel mug of coffee and pray together as a church. When we pray together, God unites our hearts with one another.

Matthew 18:20

For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them.”

EARLY MORNING PRAYER

Fridays 7:30-8am
Coffee Room



LISBURN CATHEDRAL MOTHERS' UNION

Christine Mitchell

IN MEMORY OF JENNY

As with all Lisburn Cathedral organisations, our branch of the Mothers' Union is a family of friends who love to meet up and spend time together. We are held together by our committee who all play a part in the planning and running of our events and outings.



It was a devastating shock therefore to lose our much loved member and Branch Secretary Jennifer (Jenny) Moulds to illness in July.

Jenny had been an active member of Mothers' Union for 44 years, and will be sadly missed by the branch members. As we start the new term without her, we send our heartfelt prayers to her loving family. The branch members sent a donation to Braveheart NI in Jenny's memory.

FESTIVAL SERVICE, ST ANNE'S CATHEDRAL, SUN 26 APR

The Diocesan Festival Service was held as usual at St Anne's Cathedral Belfast, and attended by our members. Our Mother's Union banner was paraded with

many others, representing branches from all over the Diocese of Connor. Lovely to meet old friends and share in this important yearly service.

AREA MEETING, MAGHERAGALL, THUR 7 MAY

Christine and Katy, Area Chair and Secretary, at the last Area Meeting of the eight Lisburn and Derriaghy Area branches, held in May. Lots of networking between branches ensures we are all working towards the aims of the Diocese.



150TH SERVICE, SUN 9 AUG

Members travelled on the train from Lisburn to Dublin to attend the 150th Anniversary all-Ireland service on Mary Sumner Day (founder of MU) on 9th of August.



WOMEN'S AID

Lisburn Branch has held an annual collection for Women's Aid over the past two years. The Lisburn and Belfast Women's Aid team has provided an update that our congregation's generous donations have been gratefully received. This year we will be collecting for 'Showertime Essentials.' This will be toiletries, towels, slippers (anything for shower and bathtime for women, children and babies). The presentation will be given to Women's Aid at the November meeting.

PROGRAMME

We have a varied programme, meeting regularly at 2.30pm on the first Monday afternoon of each month in the Minor Hall. For further information please contact Christine Mitchell on 07740320399, or christinemitchell399@gmail.com

PROGRAMME

MONDAY 5 OCTOBER

Karen Ryan: Bee Keeping, 2.30pm

SUNDAY 18 OCTOBER

Lisburn & Derriaghy Area Mothers' Union Service 3.30pm at Lisburn Cathedral

MONDAY 2 NOVEMBER

Women's Aid 2.30pm, Collecting Showertime Essentials

FRIDAY 13 NOVEMBER

Rock Choir Concert, Eglantine

MONDAY 7 DECEMBER

Festive Afternoon Tea

JANUARY (DATE TBC)

Pantomime - Island Arts Centre

HISTORY TALKS

Ken, Alison & Tracey

After our conflicts, characters and conundrums series of history talks back in the spring several people have asked if we have any more stories to tell. The answer is yes, there is lots more to tell and we hope to be back after Christmas with a couple of new talks. For one of these we are planning something very new that we have never done before - a walking tour of the graveyard.

Many readers will remember the old children's nursery rhyme - soldier, sailor, candlestick maker. Did you know that we have them all in our Cathedral graveyard?

We also have clergy, methodists and unusual occupations such as apothecary along with politicians, tradesmen, children and some people who died in tragic circumstances. Come on our tour and find out if some of your ancestors are in the 184 graves around the Cathedral.



HISTORY TALKS CONT'D

Hear about the founder of the first free school in Lisburn, a couple maybe buried in 2 different graveyards, who was the first and last to be buried, some notable politicians, Lisburn business people, multiple families in the same grave along with some fascinating stories and, of course, some puzzles.

LISBURN CATHEDRAL YOUTH

Laura Kilpatrick

We have had a great start back to Lisburn Cathedral Youth (LCY) this September! We started our new year off with a 'Kickoff Weekend'. This was a weekend for young people to get together after a long summer apart, have some fun and spend some time in worship & teaching before they return to school. We went to Let's Go Hydro, played lots of games, worshipped together & ate together. We also looked at Ephesians 6:10-18 about wearing the armour of God as we kick off a new year!



Naturally we will also touch on the more well-known stories - the Huguenots and so on.

So keep an eye out after Christmas for dates. In the meantime we are always happy to help people with questions and queries, and, of course if you would like to bring a group of family or friends, let us know.



Sunday Night Youth is back on Sundays from 6:30-8pm for young people in Years 8-14. We have had lots of fun with Challenge Nights, a Bake Off, and Sports & Crafts Nights! Bible Class has also started back on Sunday mornings during the 11am service, where we drink hot chocolate, play some games & learn from the Bible together.

We are also looking forward to our annual Diocesan youth weekend, Connor Takes the Castle, this October!

TREASURER'S UPDATE - AUTUMN 2026

Richard Thompson

A new term is upon us, and the world starts to spin a little faster again. For some more of the same, for others the start of organisations, schools, colleges, universities and jobs mark whole new chapters.

As with life, the church finances continue on, some bills never stop, others are more seasonal and as we get wound up again, I expect our expenditure will rise in line with our activities and the dwindling heat and light of those autumn evenings.

As ever, our core finances are funded by our Free Will Offering, there's no secret stash in the bell tower and like every household with a building over 10 years old (or in our case slightly more), there's always more maintenance than there is time or cash, so if you are in a position to review your giving, please do give it some prayerful thought.

As you will all be aware, we're still steadily saving for our planned hall refurbishment work. This is progressing and we've had some great returns on the continuing efforts of our dedicated crafters.



Alongside these and regular donations, we have been blessed with some sizable gifts that have now taken us to over halfway to the target, with £265,000 raised to date. If you happen to have a spare £250,000 stuck down the back of your sofa (or even an old £1 coin, or anything in between), I'd be happy to talk to you about alternative uses.

Failing that, if you are interested in Church Finance, Gift Aid, Free Will Offering (FWO), weekly envelopes, standing orders, legacies or anything else related to the finances, I'll always be happy to chat, on a Sunday, or over a coffee.



Richard Thompson

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Women's Fellowship

Upcoming Events

Christmas Connections

FRIDAY 27TH NOVEMBER 7-9PM

**Retreat Day at
Murlough House**

SATURDAY 27TH FEBRUARY 10AM-4PM



FOR MEN'S BODY, MIND AND SOUL

FUEL 2026

OCTOBER 2026

**Sunday
4 October**

2pm-3pm

**Wallace
Park,
Lisburn**

**Church family walk after
Linga Longa lunch in
Cathedral halls**

NOVEMBER 2026

**Saturday
7
November**

9am-5pm

**Carnmoney
Church**

**Regular Joes Conference –
with speakers Paul Reid,
David McClay,
Robbie Norton, Andy
Lamberton and Spud
Murphy**

**Tickets: £35 without
breakfast
£40 with breakfast**

**Scan QR code to purchase a
ticket**



CAMEO

Michael & Evelyn McCune

Looking Back

Our Summer/ Spring Programme started with a History talk by Kenny Gibson, Tracey Carberry and Alison Fairley about some very interesting people and their connection to Lisburn Cathedral.



Another highlight was when Ronnie and Maggie Briggs came in June and gave a presentation on their work in Kenya with the **Missionary Organisation Water Drops**. Water Drops is an organisation which works in partnership with rural communities across Kenya to access clean and safe drinking water.



Our Annual outing in June was to The Secret Garden Dundonald.

We enjoyed a lovely meal followed by shopping in the gift Centre on the grounds of a nursery filled with beautiful plants and shrubs. All in all we had a great day out.



Our next Cameo gathering was **Afternoon Tea** on the 30th July. As always this event was very well attended and it was a lovely opportunity to catch up with everyone again.



Afternoon Tea Photos

Looking Forward

Cameo resumed after the Summer break on Thursday 3rd September 2026.

Please see below for our Autumn / Winter Programme.

If you haven't been to Cameo before, you are welcome to join us anytime .

Cameo Autumn/Winter Programme 2026

1st October @ 2.30pm - Air Ambulance

15th October @ 2.30pm - Games

29th October @ 1.00pm - Soup Lunch

12th November @ 2.30pm - Songs and Chat, Rev. Jason Kernohan

26th November @ 2.30pm - Bringing hope beyond bars. Presentation by Prison Fellowship N.I

10th December - Christmas Dinner (details to follow)

Cameo resumes on Thursday 7th January 2027 @ 2.30pm

PRAYER MORNINGS AT LISBURN CATHEDRAL



Prayer
MORNINGS

There will be prayer prompts provided to guide your prayers but you are free to stay for as little or as long as you like.

Please join us on
Saturday 31st October
and
Saturday 28th November
between 9.30am and 12noon
for a morning of prayer at
Lisburn Cathedral.

Lisburn Cathedral

SUNDAY EVENING SERVICES AT LISBURN CATHEDRAL



LISBURN CATHEDRAL 6.30PM

**LIVING
WORSHIP**

SUNDAY 4 OCTOBER
SUNDAY 1 NOVEMBER

NEW WINE SLIGO 2027- BOOKING AVAILABLE

Early Bird Rate ends 31st October 2026



BINS

Ken Gibson

Some readers may have noticed an interesting certificate on the notice board in the side porch of the Cathedral. It is from an organisation called ECO Congregation Ireland which presented us with an award.

ECO Congregation Ireland promotes what most people now refer to as green issues - looking after the environment, reducing waste and so on.

This note is to remind us all, particularly those using the kitchen, coffee room etc. about recycling our waste:-



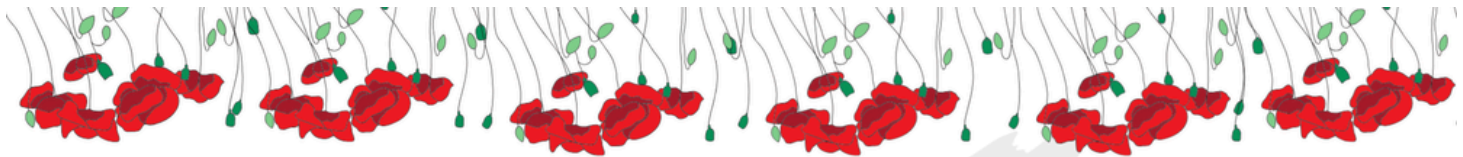
BROWN BIN: food waste, flowers etc

GREEN BIN: clean cardboard and paper, disposable coffee cups, plastic bottles, drinks tins and other recyclable material etc

BLACK OR BLUE: non recyclable waste

Please remember not to put black plastic bin bags in the green or brown bins, empty the contents of your bin bags into the appropriate bin.

Thank you



LEST WE FORGET

Thousands of hand crafted poppies beautifully
displayed in Lisburn Cathedral

Lisburn Cathedral
6th - 8th November

The Cathedral will be open for viewing as follows:

Fri 6th 10am - 2pm

Sat 7th 10am - 2pm

Sun 8th 12.30pm - 3pm



Admission is free

Donations are welcome for the Poppy Appeal and the Lisburn Cathedral Hall Restoration Fund



Lisburn Cathedral Christmas Craft Fair

Saturday 21st November

10am - 2.30pm

in the Cathedral

Free Entry



PASTORAL INFORMATION

New to Lisburn ?

Welcome to Lisburn Cathedral. It gives us great joy to welcome new people to worship. It is our desire to provide a caring worshipping community where through teaching and prayer we grow and mature as Christians who know Christ and learn to follow him as our personal Lord and Saviour.

Registration

Then following prayerful consideration, if you decide the Lord is calling you to commit to worshipping regularly in the Cathedral, the registration forms will enable you become members of the church. These forms can also be filled out should you have moved house. We can only store information with the consent of those who are registered members and this information enables us to serve the needs of our members more effectively. Registration forms are available for download on our website, and printed copies are available in the porch of the Cathedral. If you need any assistance accessing these please contact our Administrator by phone or email.

Weddings

Christian Marriage is the most important decision any couple can make together. All couples are asked to attend Church each week, attend the Marriage Preparation Course and uphold Christian standards as they prepare for their Marriage.

All dates should be checked with the Dean before booking with hotels as the staff and Cathedral may not be available for specific dates. A Wedding Information sheet will be provided to couples, which should be returned to the clergy, before a firm booking is taken.

Baptism

What a joy it is to welcome the children of believing Christians into the fellowship of Lisburn Cathedral through baptism. The Clergy should be contacted to provide the parents with the 'Baptism at Lisburn Cathedral' leaflet. You can download this leaflet from our website: lisburncathedral.org/family-celebrations

Once parents have read this information they may decide to bring their baby for baptism or thanksgiving service. Both parents should be regular attenders at Lisburn Cathedral and have the clear intention of bringing up their child in the fellowship of the Christian Church.

The purpose of our Children's Ministry in the Cathedral is for all children to have the opportunity to come to a personal relationship with Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour.

Funerals

Please notify clergy or staff immediately upon serious illness or death of parishioners for support and guidance. The Clergy should always be consulted before any funeral plans or times are arranged.

Hospital & Nursing Homes

We are very grateful to all church members who keep us informed about those going into hospital, or nursing homes.

When Clergy are informed of church members who are unwell or in hospital they would be pleased to visit them.

FROM THE REGISTERS

Baptisms

5th July SLCC
Mark Howse
Nathan Cairnduff
Rhylee Morrow
Jim McNicolas

Dedication

17th May | Ollie Boal

Funerals

24th March | Anne Jefferson
26th June | June Palmer
18th July | Jennifer Moulds
24th August | Margaret Elliot

Weddings

1st July | Hannah and Jack Netherton
14th August | Caitlin and Sam Nimick

OFFICE HOURS

The Church office is open:
Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday
9.30am - 1.30pm



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