

REACH

The REACH team, made up of volunteers from the local churches, have started a night-time street outreach ministry. If you would be interested in being involved, or would like some more information please speak to Michael.

2026 HOPE Tyrone dates for your diary (for more details speak to Michael)

October

- 1WAY Youth Event - Saturday 10th Oct, 7:00-10:00pm, Dungannon Leisure Centre
- I am Mark (staging of Mark's Gospel) Wednesday 14th October 7:30pm, First Cookstown
- Family Carnival & Kids Event - Saturday 17th Oct, 1:00-4:00pm, Molesworth Presbyterian, Cookstown
- Adult Outreach Event - Friday 23rd Oct, 8:00pm, The Burnavon, Cookstown

November

- Puppet Training - Saturday 7th Nov, 9:30am-1:00pm, Dungannon Baptist

ROTAS

Church Stewarding Rota

September..... Alison Bell, David McDowell
October..... Norman Bell, Clarke Faulkner

Collection Rota

Manse side (September)..... Alison Bell
Town side (September)..... Gary McKeown
Gallery (September)..... Alastair Brown, Ronnie Nicholl
Manse side (October)..... Norman Bell
Town side (October)..... Clarke Faulkner
Gallery (October)..... Trevor Crooks, Ted McKinney

FWO Rota

This week..... Stephen Park Next week..... David McDowell

Sound Desk Rota

Today..... Andrew Johnston Next week..... David Hartley

Junior Church Rota

Today..... Nicola Cheevers, Judith Mitchell, Sandra Black
Next Week..... Sandra Black, Katie Wiilson

Crèche Rota

Today..... Julie Anne Bell, Sandra McKeown
Next Sunday..... TBC



First Cookstown

Knowing Jesus, making Jesus known

Weekly Bulletin

Sunday 27 September 2026

*“Remember your mercy, O LORD, and your steadfast love,
for they have been from of old.” Psalm 25:6*

We warmly welcome you to worship this morning on this first day of another week, whether you are part of our church family, here in First Cookstown, or just visiting with us.

We hope that as we worship together we will encounter God and experience the hope and assurance of the Gospel and the relevance of God's word in our world today.

If you're new to First Cookstown, we do hope you have been made welcome at the door and someone helped you get your bearings. Maybe you are new to the area and you are looking for a local church where you can feel at home.

Catechism Corner

Q. 21. Who is the redeemer of God's elect?

A. The only redeemer of God's elect is the Lord Jesus Christ, who, being the eternal Son of God, became man, and so was, and continueth to be, God and man in two distinct natures, and one person, forever.

Praise

AM

Hear the Church triumphant singing
IPH 87 God loves you and I love you
Speak O Lord
IPH 527 The Lord's my Shepherd

PM

We come to you Lord Jesus
IPH 520 O for a faith that will not shrink
IPH 640 Speak forth Your Word, O Father
IPH 623 Filled with Compassion

Today

11:30 am

Morning Service: Revd Michael Currie - Romans 1:8-15 "The Source of Spiritual Strength"

12:30 pm

Brief meeting of **Youth Group** after the morning service.

12:30 pm

Elders, the 2025 Annual Reports will be available for collection / distribution from the Morrison Room after the morning service.

6:00 pm

Evening Service: Revd Michael Currie - Malachi 2:1-9 "Guard the covenant"

7:00 pm

Youth Fellowship meet in *The Loft* for all those in Year 8 to age 18.

You can keep up with all that is going on in church life by following our Facebook page, subscribing to our YouTube channel, or visiting our website: www.firstcookstown.co.uk

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registered with the Charity Commission of Northern Ireland (NIC 105651).

Monday

12:30 pm **Blood donation session** at Glenavon House Hotel, 12:30 until 7:30 pm. Note that donation sessions are now by appointment only; to book an appointment, please go to www.nibts.org or call 08085 534 653.

6:00 pm **Squirrel Scouts** in the halls (6:00 - 6:55 pm).

6:30 pm **Cub Scouts** in the halls (6:30 - 8:00 pm).

7:00 pm **Beaver Scouts** in the halls (7:00 - 8:00 pm).

Tuesday

10:30 am **Prayer Time** in the Morrison Room.

7:45 pm **First Cookstown Bowling Club:** First Bowlers meet every Tuesday night from 7.45pm. We are a group of men and women who come together to play some bowls, chat and have a cup of tea. We can supply bowls, so if you'd like to come and try it, you will be made very welcome.

8:00 pm **Kirk Session** meet in the Morrison Room.

Wednesday

6:30 pm **Guides** meet in the main hall, 6:30—8:00 pm: Rainbows (4-7 years), Brownies (7-10 years), Guides (10-14 years), Rangers (14-18 years).

8:00 pm **Midweek Bible Study & Prayer** meeting in the Morrison Room.

Friday

7:00 pm Full rehearsal of the **Youth Group**.

Saturday

10:00 am **Harvest Fete**—see fuller announcement on page 3.

Next Sunday

10:15 am **Sunday School and Bible Class.**

10:50 am **Prayer Time** in the Minister's room until 11:10 am.

11:30 am **Harvest Morning Service:** Revd Michael Currie - "The Parable of the weeds" Matthew 13:24-30. (There will be the monthly tea / coffee following our morning service. Everyone is welcome.)

6:00 pm **Evening Service:** Revd Michael Currie - "The Call to God's Harvest" Matthew 9:35-38

7:00 pm **Youth Fellowship** meet in *The Loft* for all those in Year 8 to age 18.

Looking ahead...

Wednesday 7/10/26 **Tyrone Foundations** in Molesworth - John Graham will speak on baptism.

Wednesday 14/10/26 "I am Mark" (staging of Mark's Gospel) part of **HOPE Tyrone** over this Autumn season.

Bereavement

It is with regret that we announce a death within the congregation. Mrs Irene Cahoon passed away yesterday morning at her home, 2 Northland Drive, Cookstown. Funeral details will follow, and we do uphold the family circle in our thoughts and prayers at this time.

Prayer Requests

If anyone has any requests for prayer, please contact Lynne Dripps on 07901 691093.

Harvest Fete

If anyone is available to assist with catering at the upcoming Harvest Fete, could you sign up on the relevant sheets in the front or rear hallway of the church. Thank you in anticipation.

Harvest Donations

The harvest collection (inc.. loose offering on 04/10/2026) will go to the Building Fund and we encourage you to give generously, as we move to the final stages on the Loy Hill Manse project. Envelopes are available in both the front vestibule and rear porch today, and will be in pews next Sunday. Please include your FWO No. / address details on the envelope to enable the church to claim gift aid on your donation.

Old Manse Update (26th September 2026)

Work has been ongoing at the manse. The second fix joinery and electrics are nearly complete. Some floors are being tiled, a new kitchen will soon be installed and the internal painting has commenced. We are currently in negotiations with a potential tenant, with the hope that the property will be fully let before the end of the year.

PW Link Breakfast

The PW Link breakfast will be held on Saturday 14th November in the Royal hotel, 8:30am for 9:00am (everyone to be seated for 8:45am). Speaker - Beth Montgomery. The cost is £13:50. Could those attending bring payment to the next PW meeting on Tuesday 5th October.

Football

A group from the local churches regularly meet on Friday evenings at MUSA to play football. If you would be interested, contact Michael for more information.

RE Lessons Public consultation

Back in February, the Education Minister announced that there was to be a review and update of the content of RE following the ruling of the Supreme Court that RE in Northern Ireland was unlawful. A drafting group was set up to revise and rewrite the content, the first draft of the new Core Syllabus has been released for public viewing. This is not the final version and is open for public consultation meaning we can read it and respond with our thoughts and suggestions for improvement. Anyone with an interest in what our children and grandchildren are going to learn in RE lessons in the future are encouraged to respond. The consultation closes on 30th September at 11.59pm. To read it and have your say on it, follow this link: <https://www.education-ni.gov.uk/consultations/consultation-religious-education-core-syllabus>

'Harvest Fete' - Saturday 3rd October

Save the date and start prepping for our 'Harvest Fete' - Saturday 3rd October. From fresh vegetables and homemade cakes to delicious preserves and creative crafts, there will be something for everyone to enjoy! Our church is delighted to host a 'Harvest Fete' this year, and we would love as many people as possible to take part. Now is the perfect time to start planting, baking, and creating, so you can share your talents and join in the fun. We look forward to a wonderful day of community, competition, and harvest joy!