

### **Prayer Requests**

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

### **Old Manse Update**

The building contractor has taken down most of the scaffolding, except at the front where it is still needed for leadwork to finish off at the bay roofs. Work has been ongoing internally with the insulating of the attics and re-plastering to some of the rooms. The heating system has been turned back on to help with the drying, which will take some time due to the thick solid walls.

### **Scout Leaders required (urgently)**

As you may be aware, the Scout Section of 1st Cookstown Scout Group (11-14 year olds) has not been able to run for the past 2 years as we haven't been able to find leaders. This situation gives us great concern. If there is anyone who would feel able to undertake the role with 1/2 others please contact Margaret Hamilton ([07880 975337](tel:07880975337)) or Colin Rea ([07761 229052](tel:07761229052)) for details.

### **ROTAS**

#### **Church Stewarding Rota**

April..... Clarke Faulkner, Ronnie Nicholl  
May ..... Brian Donaghy, Margaret Hamilton

#### **Collection Rota**

Manse side (April)..... Glen Morton  
Town side (April)..... Clarke Faulkner  
Gallery (April) ..... Ted McKinney, Jim Donaghy  
Manse side (May)..... Keith Hamilton  
Town side (May)..... Gary McKeown  
Gallery (May)..... Trevor Crooks, Norman Wilson

#### **FWO Rota**

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

#### **Sound Desk Rota**

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

#### **Junior Church Rota**

Today ..... Joan Park, Judith Mitchell  
Next Week ..... Victoria McKnight, Sandra Henry

#### **Crèche Rota**

Today ..... Gillian Lyle, Jennifer Park  
Next Sunday..... Naomi Ferguson, Gillian Lyle

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](http://www.firstcookstown.co.uk)

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## **First Cookstown**

Knowing Jesus, making Jesus known

## **Weekly Bulletin**

### **Sunday 12 April 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...will return next week**

#### **Praise**

##### **AM**

IPH 242 To God be the glory

I will make you fishers of men

IPH 515 My hope is built on nothing less

IPH 408 In Christ alone

##### **PM**

## Today

11:30 am **Morning Service:** Mr Matthew Black  
6:00 pm **Evening Service:** Mr Leslie Reid (One Mission Society)

## Monday

2:00 pm **Friends at First Craft & Chat** meets from 2pm to 4pm. Come along and enjoy the chat, have a cup of tea and work on some craft. You don't have to be good at craft and you can bring your own project if you want. It's all a bit of fun and fellowship together.

6:00 pm **NO meeting for Squirrel Scouts** this week. We will resume on Monday 20 April.

6:30 pm **NO meeting for Cub Scouts** this week.

7:00 pm **NO meeting for Beaver Scouts** this week. We will resume on Monday 20 April.

## Tuesday

10:30 am **Prayer Time** in the Morrison Room.  
7:45 pm **First Cookstown Bowling Club:** Our meetings resume in September, when we look forward to welcoming you to join with us once again!

## Wednesday

10:30 am **NO Bible Study** this week.  
6:30 pm **Rainbows, Brownies, Guides and Rangers** in *The Loft* and halls.  
8:00 pm **NO Evening Bible Study** this week. Instead, we will attend the Mission in Molesworth.

## Thursday

10:30 am **Trefoil Guild** meet in the Morrison Room until 12 noon.  
8:00 pm **Prayer Meeting** in the Minister's Room.

## 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 **Morning Service:** Revd Michael Currie  
6:00 pm **Evening Service** Revd Michael Currie

## Looking ahead...

Friday 17/4/26 **Men's Fellowship:** will meet in the Morrison Room at 7:30pm (note change of date), where a local paramedic will share about their faith and work life. There will be food and time for chatting afterwards, so do plan to come along and bring a friend.

Saturday 18/4/26 **Exodus Team Quiz Night**—see fuller announcement on page 3.

Wednesday 6/5/26 **Pre-Communion Service**

Sunday 10/5/26 **Communion Service**

## Pastoral Cover

Revd Michael is on leave and will return on Monday 13th April. Anyone requiring the services of a minister should contact Robert Park [07934 681958](tel:07934681958) or Robert Hamilton on [07835 516785](tel:07835516785).

## Congregational Treasurer Contact Details

Congregational Treasurer: Brian Donaghy  
Contact: 07912 562888 (preferably after 6pm week-days or anytime at the weekend)  
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## 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.

## Summer Mission Teams

Could those heading off on summer mission teams please let Michael know the details, where you are going, who are you going with and when, thank you.

## Exodus Mission Team Quiz Night

Think you're a trivia whiz - or maybe just exceptionally confident at guessing?? Join us on Saturday 18 April for a night of brain-teasing questions, friendly rivalry and some laughs, while helping to support Lauren Wilson and Rebecca McGeown on their Exodus trip to Hungary this Summer. Bring your wits, your team, and your sense of humour - there will be prizes, quiz supremacy and of course a wee cup of tea! Everyone's welcome, even if your general knowledge is mostly just guessing or your main quiz strategy is "that sounds about right".

## Parking

Work continues on the old manse. This means that the back yard is no longer available for additional parking.

## Football

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

## '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!