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.

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)

November

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

Festival of Remembrance & Military Display

Their Sacrifice, Our Remembrance—a festival of remembrance and military display in Cookstown High School grounds and boys' gym, as part of the Cookstown High School 220th anniversary celebrations. Friday 6 November from 1730—2100 and Saturday 7 November from 1000-1600. Refreshments available. Donations welcome in aid of school funds.

ROTAS

Church Stewarding Rota

October ..... Robert Hamilton, Alastair Henry
November ..... Ronnie Nicholl, Moira Shaw

Collection Rota

Manse side (November) ..... Glen Morton
Town side (November) ..... David Hartley
Gallery (November) ..... Robert Hamilton, Heather Park
Manse side (October) ..... Moira Shaw
Town side (October) ..... John Topping
Gallery (October) ..... Paul Ferguson, Ronnie Nicholl

FWO Rota

This week ..... Bob Agnew Next week ..... Lynne Dripps

Sound Desk Rota

Today ..... Stephen Park Next week ..... Andrew Johnston

Junior Church Rota

Today ..... Nativity Helpers
Next Week ..... Nativity Helpers

Crèche Rota

Today ..... Julie Anne Ball, Paula Faulkner
Next Sunday ..... Pauline Brown, Sandra Hunter

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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First **Cookstown**

Knowing Jesus, making Jesus known

Weekly Bulletin

Sunday 1 November 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.26. How doth Christ execute the office of a king?

A. Christ executeth the office of a king, in subduing us to himself, in ruling and defending us, and in restraining and conquering all his and our enemies.

Praise

AM	PM
PS 100 All people that on earth do dwell	Be still for the presence of the Lord
This little light of mine	I have a shepherd, One I love so well
IPH 407 How deep the Father's love	Jesus, Lover of my soul
Behold the lamb who bears our sin away	May the mind of Christ, my Saviour

Today

11:30 am **Morning Service:** Revd Michael Currie - Romans 2:12-29 "Is God's Judgement fair?" (we will celebrate the sacrament of the Lord's Table; there will also be a cup of tea served after worship in the church hall)

6:30 pm **Evening Service:** Revd Michael Currie - Malachi 2:10-16 "Faithful to the Covenant" (communion will be available in the minister's room immediately after worship)

7:00 pm **Youth Fellowship** meet in *The Loft*.

Monday

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).
8:00 pm **PW** meet in the Morrison Room. The speaker is from Prison Fellowship and we would like to invite all ladies and men in our congregation to come along to hear about the great work of Christian outreach that is going on in our prisons.

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.

Wednesday

6:30 pm **Guides** meet in the main hall, 6:30—8:00 pm.
8:00 pm **Prayer meeting** in the Morrison Room.

Thursday

8:00 pm **Men's Book Study** in the Morrison Room.

Saturday

10:00 am **Friends at First** have their monthly **Coffee & Chat** from 10am to 12noon. Please come along and enjoy some food and fellowship with friends.

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 - Romans 3:1-8 "God's Unfailing Faithfulness" (we will have our annual act of remembrance during worship)
6:30 pm **Evening Service:** Revd Michael Currie - Malachi 2:17-3:5 "Where is the God of justice?"
7:00 pm **Youth Fellowship** meet in *The Loft*.

Looking ahead…

Monday 9/11/26 The **Friends at First Craft & Chat** will meet at 2pm. Come along, bring something you're working on or help us put together our Christmas gifts.
Tuesday 10/11/26 **Tyrone Foundations** in Molesworth @ 8pm. Topic: End Times. Speaker: Nigel McCullough.
Wednesday 11/11/26 **Bible study & Prayer meeting**
Sunday 20/12/26 **Nativity Service** @ 11:30 am.
Sunday 20/12/26 **Carols by Candlelight Service** @ 6 pm.
Friday 25/12/26 **Christmas Morning Service** @ 10:30 am.

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New Communicants

We are delighted to announce that Natasha Brown, Luke McGeown, Rebecca McGeown and Christopher Reid were welcomed into communicant membership at our Pre-Communion service last Wednesday evening on professional of faith. We wish them God's richest blessing for the future.

Home Communion

Home Communion will be available for those with legitimate reasons for not attending public worship. Please speak to Michael or your district elder so this can be arranged.

Hope Explored

REACH are running Hope Explored in Cookstown Leisure centre later this month. If you would be interested in helping, or could bring someone along, more details will be given next week.

Praise Coordinator

Due to a change in personal circumstances, Mark Dickson has tendered his resignation from the post of praise coordinator, which Kirk Session have formally accepted with sadness. The congregation have benefitted much from his ten years of dedicated service and we extend our best wishes to Mark for the future and we will arrange a suitable way to show our appreciation.

INSPIRE Magazine Subscription

Anyone wishing to start a subscription for the INSPIRE magazine, or to cancel an existing subscription, please contact Rachel Johnston on 07732 107352 or johnstonrachel77@gmail.com The cost of the annual subscription for 2027 remains at £10.00 (4 issues), or the digital copy of the magazine can be purchased online for £2.50 per magazine. Could I have payments by Sunday 6th December, please and thank you.

Operation Christmas Child (Scout Project)

First Cookstown Scout Group have been sending shoe boxes from the Scout Group and the congregation since 2007. These boxes go to children around the world to show God's love in a tangible way and share the good news of Jesus Christ. If you would like to fill a shoe box, leaflets and boxes are available in the front vestibule and the entrance to the halls. However, we would encourage you to decorate your own box. Please follow the guidelines on what items should or should not be included in the box. A £5 donation is requested with each box to cover shipping and other costs. You can also build a shoe box online or by scanning the QR code on the posters that are available in the halls. Please let us know if you have chosen to send a show box this way. Alternatively, you can make a monetary donation to help towards the cost of transportation. Filled shoe boxes can be left in the church on Sundays or the church hall on a Monday evening from 6-8 pm. The final date for leaving shoe boxes is Sunday 9th November. For any further details you can contact Sandra Black, Naomi Ferguson or Sarah Thompson.

Irish Men's Convention

Saturday 6th March 2027 sees the 10th anniversary of the convention. Speaker - Andy Gemmill. Tickets - £23:00 (early bird price) on sale Monday 2nd November. Anyone interested in attending please speak to Michael.

Christmas Brunch

Please put this in your diaries now: Friends at First invite you to a Christmas Brunch in the hall on Saturday 5th December at 11am. All will be made very welcome to come and enjoy the fellowship along with some food.

Prayer Requests

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

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.