



**CELEBRATING THE HARVEST ~ NEAR AND FAR  
FIRST OMAGH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
OCTOBER 2021**

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> @ 11:30am in Church (for surnames I-Z) and Online... **'Harvest Near and Far (Part 2)'**.  
*A warm welcome is extended to our visiting speaker Mr. Henry Coulter from International Meeting Point in Belfast.*

Scripture Passage... Ruth 2: 1-10.

Hymns... IPH059 'We plough the fields and scatter' and IPH638 'Lord of the church'.

Thanks to John, Daryl and the choir for our Harvest music, Jack for the scripture reading and David, Peter, Godfrey and Nev for their technical assistance.

*You are warmly invited to join us for worship in First Omagh Church or online. New social distancing guidelines now mean that we have seating available in every other pew rather than every third pew but we are still required to wear face coverings throughout the service unless exempted or participating at the front. Hand sanitation, track and trace and the one way system will continue to operate as usual. Seats will be allocated in church on a first come first served basis and an overflow will be available in the Hall should it be needed.*

**Please do not come out to church if you are experiencing COVID-19 symptoms or been asked to self isolate.**

The service will also be livestreamed on [www.firstomagh.com](http://www.firstomagh.com) and on YouTube <https://youtu.be/CQZCXyQZM2w> for those joining in from home and will also be available to listen to on our sermon line 028 2502 2512 later on Sunday evening.

**JIGSAW and BLAST** will not meet this week but families are welcome to attend the Harvest Service together.

**Parents with Toddlers** are welcome to come to the service either in church or in the overflow in the upstairs Lecture Hall where a creche space will be made available. Please bring your own toys, books etc.

**Please do not attend if you, or anyone in your household, have COVID-19 symptoms or been told to self isolate.**

**Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> October - Online Thanksgiving Service...** 7:00pm on First Omagh Gathering Place and [www.firstomagh.com](http://www.firstomagh.com). This year we have decided to continue with an online thanksgiving service and would encourage members to watch the short service online at 7:00pm and then enjoy a harvest cuppa and cake at home. Thanks to JIGSAW and BLAST for providing Harvest photos and Chris for her harvest thanksgiving solo.

**Bible Study...** 'Love your Church' on Thursday @ 10:30am or @ 7:00pm... Session 2/8 – 'Welcoming'. Scripture passage is from James 2: 1-13. This is an 8 week course looking at 8 great things about being a church member. The course will involve a short video followed by a time of discussion based on a bible passage and some practical applications. If you would be interested in coming along please contact Audrey (AM group) or Jane (PM group).

**First Omagh Bible Reading Challenge Week 52/52...** This week's readings are: **Mon Deuteronomy 32-34, Tue Esther 6-10, Wed Psalms 149-150, Thu Song of Songs 7-8, Fri Revelation 18-22, Sat Acts 27-28 and Sun Jude.**

Congratulations and well done to everyone who has completed the challenge of reading through the bible in a year.

### **Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> October - Bible Sunday...**

11:30am – We welcome our special speaker Mr. Andrew Dickson from the Bible Society NI.

7:00pm – Bible Reading Challenge Celebration - An opportunity to meet in the Rowan Hall to share experiences of the challenge and encourage one another to keep reading the bible daily. This Service is open to any member of the congregation interested in developing a daily bible reading routine.



**Organisation's Reopening Dates...** The following organisations have completed Covid Risk Assessments and have been given permission by Kirk Session to reopen:-

- **Monday Craft Class...** Mondays from 7:30pm-9:00pm in the Youth Room starting on 18<sup>th</sup> October.
- **Monday Badminton...** Mondays from 8:00pm-9:30pm in the Rowan Hall starting on 18<sup>th</sup> October.
- **Tuesday Boys Brigade...** Tuesdays in the Rowan Hall and Youth Room :: 6:45pm-7:45pm Anchor Boys :: 7:00pm-9:00pm Junior & Company section :: starting Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> October.
- **Wednesday Coffee Stop...** Wednesdays 10:30am-12:00pm in the Rowan Hall starting on 27<sup>th</sup> October.
- **Thursday Bible Study...** Thursdays @ 10:30am (Youth Room) and @ 7:30pm (Lecture Hall) starting 14<sup>th</sup> October for 8 weeks.

**Please comply with each organisation's COVID-19 guidelines and do not attend any organisation if you have COVID-19 symptoms or been told to self-isolate.**

**Clothes for Malawi...** If you are doing an end of summer clear out and have old clothes, shoes, handbags, bedlinen, duvets or pillows that you would like to donate to our Embangweni Malawi fund Clothes for Cash Appeal then please contact Edwin Johnston on 079 2001 6573 to arrange a drop off time.

**Advance notice of Communion Services...** Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> October @ 11:30am for surnames A-H and Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> November for surnames I-Z.