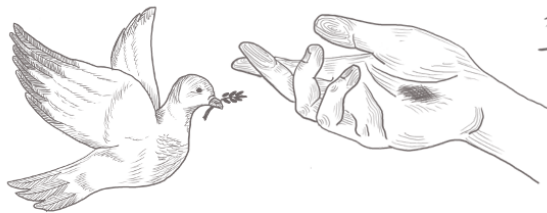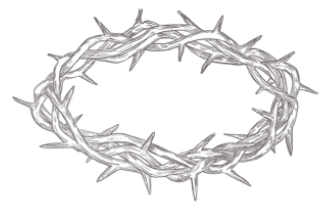# Stewarding Life

Explorations in the art of Christian living

Easter

Part II:
Stewards of HOPE

Sunday 31st March
Rev Paul Lutton

ORDER of SERVICE

Introit: *O Praise the Name*

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

> We gather:
> a community of faith in God's subversive world.
> We gather to celebrate
> that no darkness can extinguish light,
> to remember
> that love will always be more powerful than death,
> and to trust that
> peace will always be stronger than violence.
> **We gather,**
> **people of faith in the light of God's world.**

Song (led by Music Group): IPH 439   **See What a Morning**

Prayer of Adoration & Confession

Time Travelling with Rev Bill Boyd!

Reception of New Members
Issy and Yasmin Uprichard; Catherine McDowell; Adam Henderson; Aoife Murphy and Ella McMullan.

Children's Song: Jesus is Alive!

Chorus	Here comes Jesus rising up in glory
Jesus is alive	Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna to the King
Jesus is alive	He's alive, let's tell the world His story
Jesus is alive	Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna to the King.
Shout hosanna, hosanna	*Chorus*
(Repeat)	

(Children and young people leave for Sunday School and Junior Bible Class)

Bible Reading: John 20:1-18 (page 109)   William Francey

Sermon: Stewards of HOPE

(Young people leave for Senior Bible Class)

Anthem: *King of All Ages*

Offering & Dedication

Song: IPH 452   **King of Kings**

Prayers of Intercession   Debbie Murphy

Song: IPH 442   **Thine Be the Glory**

Blessing & Benediction

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We regret to announce the death of one our members, **Betty Haslett**. There will be a funeral service in the church on Thursday at 10.00 am, followed by a committal in Ballycairn at noon. Please remember Betty's family in your prayers.

Paul will be on leave from Monday 1st April, returning on Monday 8th April.
In the event of a pastoral emergency during that time, please contact Rev Janice Brown.

Next Sunday morning, worship will be led by Rev Dr Tony Davidson.

APRIL NEWSLETTER - the next newsletter will be published on Saturday 6 April. Could I please have your stories, photos, organisation announcements etc by **Wednesday morning 3 April** latest? Maybe you might include tales of Easter celebrations home and abroad over the years? Thanks, Marj (Marjorieguiler@gmail.com)

GARDENING and care of CHURCH GROUNDS over the summer
If you are prepared to help with tending the Church grounds over the summer months by coming along for a couple of hours on 3 or 4 Wednesday evenings between April and September, please speak to William Francey or contact him on 07577 605747.
We have a small team of loyal gardeners but could always use additional volunteers, no special expertise required.

TEA/COFFEE after Church – Volunteers to serve tea/ coffee after church in **April/May** are required - sign up on the list on the notice board or speak to Margaret Robinson.

L'ARCHE BELFAST

L'Arche Belfast

QUIZ NIGHT

Supporting the work of L'Arche Belfast

Thursday, April 11th
7:30pm sharp @ the Ivanhoe Inn
556 Saintfield Rd, Belfast, BT8 8EU

£5
entry at door/ £10 deposit required to reserve table of 6

Ready to book a table?
Contact us:
E: gillian.v@larchebelfast.org.uk
Tel: 028 90 641088/07485398529

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the prayer course

"Lord, teach us to pray…"
Luke 11:1

Prayer is an essential part of our discipleship, but it is also one of the things we find most difficult. Do you struggle to find the words to pray? Or the time to pray? Do you wonder what is happening when we pray? And what about unanswered prayer?

After Easter we plan to run The Prayer Course over **eight weeks** on a **Thursday evening from 6.00-7.30 pm**. A meal will be provided and there will be provision for children and young people. We want this to be an opportunity for our **whole church family** to come together and learn across the generations.

If you would like to join us, we ask that you sign up via ChurchSuite. You should have received an invitation by email. Simply click the green button – **ACCEPT** – and your details will be filled in automatically. If you are registering an additional person, whether an adult or a child, simply click on the green button "Add additional person."

Even if you can't make all eight weeks, we would love you to come along whenever you can. If you have any questions, or you are having problems registering, please speak to Paul or Sandy.

If you would like to have a notice included in the announcement sheet, please email
ewtownbredaAnnouncements@outlook.com
Please try to send your announcements to us by the Thursday prior to the Sunday service.
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