

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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FRIDAY

- ◆ Badminton Club from 8.00pm onwards in Clonduff Church Hall.

SUNDAY

- ◆ Morning Worship at 10.45am in Clonduff. Speaker: Mr Paul Hamill.
- ◆ Morning Worship at 12.15pm in Hilltown. Speaker: Mr Paul Hamill. [Children's Church – James Ervine & William Laffin; Crèche – Elizabeth Watterson & Jayne Laffin]



IT'S A DIFFERENT WORLD

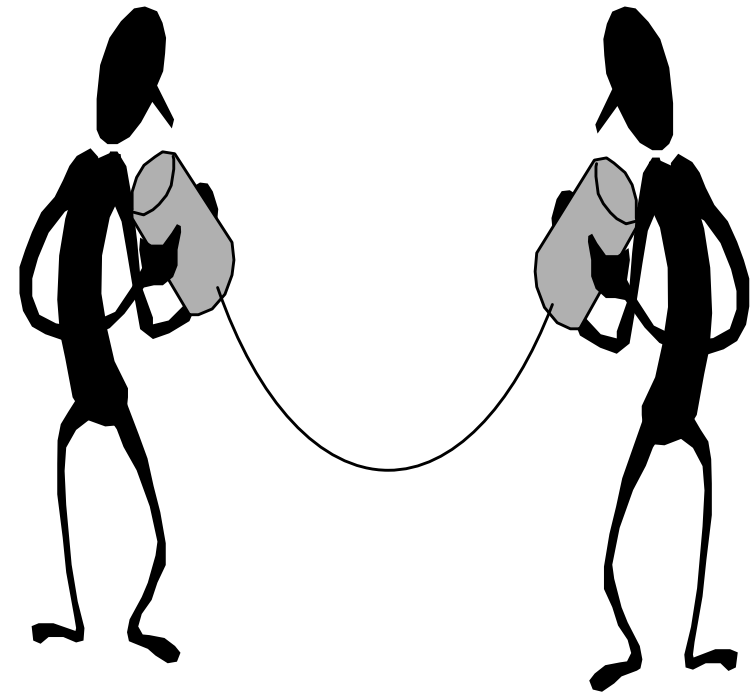
Therefore, if anyone is in Christ...the old has gone, the new has come! 1 Cor. 5: 7

Hilltown and Clonduff Presbyterian Churches

Morning Worship

16th July 2006

Speaker: Mr Harry Creighton



*'Without wood a fire goes out;
without gossip a quarrel dies down'*

Proverbs 26 v 20

WELCOME

If you are a visitor to our congregation today, we extend to you a warm welcome. We also extend a special welcome to our speaker today, Mr Harry Creighton. We are always delighted to have visitors join with us as we worship the Lord. We hope you will be blessed, encouraged and challenged through the service. Let us encourage you to really enter into the worship with all your heart.

When a fire finishes burning through the material it feeds on, it goes out. Similarly, when gossip reaches the ear of someone who will not repeat it, it dies.

Gossip, like other sins, is like “*choice morsels*” (Proverbs 26 v 22). We like to hear it and share it with others because it “*tastes*” good. Gossip is rooted in our need to feel good about ourselves. As we bring others down, we gain the illusion that we are moving upward.



That’s why spreading gossip is so difficult to resist. It takes prayer and God’s grace to bring us to the point where we refuse to pass it on or even hear it – even under the guise of personal concern or a request to pray for a sinning friend in trouble.

We must ask God for the wisdom to know when to speak, what to speak, and when to simply keep our mouths shut. For “*in the multitude of words sin is not lacking, but he who restrains his lips is wise*” (Proverbs 10 v 19).

It is often wise to be quiet and speak few words. But if we must speak, let’s talk of those things that encourage and move others closer to God, not those things that will discourage and hurt them. “*The tongue of the wise promotes health*” (Proverbs 12 v 18).

*The tongue can spread suspicion,
And reputations steal;
But when the Lord controls our tongue,
Its words will soothe and heal.*

CALLING LIST

As almost everyone already knows, the congregations have called the Rev. Damien Boyle to fill the vacancy here in Hilltown and Clonduff. To this end everyone, no matter how young or old, are invited to sign the call sheets that are available in both churches today.

DECORATION OF MANSE

In order to prepare and decorate the manse in Hilltown for the arrival of the Boyle family, volunteers are required to come along each evening this week from 6.00pm onwards to help with stripping off old wallpaper etc. If you can help in any way, please come along suitably equipped with your paint scrapers!!



ORDER OF SERVICE

- Welcome / Announcements
- Call to Worship
- Cong. Praise...
- Prayer
- Scripture Reading
- Children’s Talk
- Cong. Praise...
- Offering / Prayer
- Cong. Praise...
(Children will leave during this hymn for Children’s Church)
- Ministry of the Word
- Cong. Praise...
- Benediction.

