

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY

- ◆ Open air service at 6.30pm at the picnic area beneath the Hen Mountain (weather permitting). Speaker: Rev. Damien Boyle. Come along and bring your picnic from 6.00pm onwards.

MONDAY

- ◆ Summer Fun Club commences in Hilltown Church Hall from 7.00pm to 8.30pm and continues each weeknight unto Friday. All children (aged 4 to 12 years) welcome.

SATURDAY

- ◆ Prayer Meeting at 8.00am in Clonduff.

SUNDAY

- ◆ Joint Morning Worship to celebrate and give thanks for the Summer Fun Club in Hilltown at 11.30am. Speaker: Rev. Damien Boyle.

MONDAY 5TH JULY

- ◆ Meeting of Hilltown Congregational Committee at 7.30pm in Hilltown.

TUESDAY 6TH JULY

- ◆ Meeting of Clonduff Congregational Committee at 7.30pm in Clonduff.



Hilltown and Clonduff Presbyterian Churches

Morning Worship

27th June 2010

Speaker: Rev. Damien Boyle



*'Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one gets the prize?
Run in such a way as to get the prize.'*

1 Corinthians 9 v 24

WELCOME

If you are a visitor to our congregation today, we extend to you a warm welcome. 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.

In the award-winning film *“Chariots of Fire”*, one of the characters is legendary British sprinter Harold Abrahams. He is obsessed with winning, but in a preliminary 100-meter dash leading up to the 1924 Olympics, he is soundly beaten by his rival, Eric Liddell. Abrahams’ response is deep despair. When his girlfriend, Sybil, tries to encourage him, Harold angrily declares, *“I run to win. If I can’t win, I won’t run!”* Sybil responds wisely, *“If you don’t run, you can’t win.”*

Life is full of reversals, and we as Christians are not excluded from disappointments that make us want to give up. But in the race that is the Christian life, Paul challenges us to keep running. He told the Corinthians, *“Do you not know that those who run in a race all run, but one receives the prize? Run in such a way that you may obtain it”* ([1 Corinthians 9 v 24](#)). We are to run faithfully, Paul is saying, spurred on by the knowledge that we run to honour our King and to receive from Him an eternal crown.

If we falter in our running—if we quit serving God or give in to sin because of our difficulties—we risk losing a rich reward we could have received had we run our best.

Sybil was right. *“If you don’t run, you can’t win.”*

OPEN AIR SERVICE

Our open-air service has been arranged for this evening, Sunday 27th June at 6.30pm at the picnic area beneath the Hen Mountain (weather permitting). Everyone is welcome. Please plan to come along and bring your own picnic from 6.00pm onwards.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School has now finished for the summer and will recommence (dv) on Sunday, 12th September 2010.

EVENING SERVICES

We will be having **NO** evening services during the summer months of July and August.



**Hilltown United
Summer Fun Club**

Monday 28th June to Friday 2nd July
from 7.00pm to 8.30pm
in Hilltown Presbyterian Church Hall

For all boys and girls (aged 4 to 12 years)

Stories, Games, Quizzes, Singing
Spot Prizes, Warm-Ups... ..

also on Sunday, 4th July, joint Service to
celebrate the Summer Fun Club
in Hilltown Presbyterian Church at 11.30am

The poster features a green background with rounded corners. It includes several soccer ball icons: one at the top left, one at the top center, one at the top right, one at the bottom left, and one at the bottom right. A red dashed line connects the top-left ball to the bottom-left ball, and another red dashed line connects the top-right ball to the bottom-right ball. In the center, there is an illustration of a brown book with a white cross on its cover, set against a red starburst background.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Welcome / Announcements

Call to Worship

Cong. Praise...

Prayer

Scripture Reading:

Children’s Talk

Cong. Praise...

Offering / Prayer of Thanksgiving / Intercession

Cong. Praise...

(Children will leave for Children’s Church during this hymn)

Scripture Reading:

Ministry of the Word

Cong. Praise...

Benediction
