**Welcome to Killaney & Carryduff** **- 20 August 2023 - Trinity 11**

**Opening Hymn 9 - There’s a wideness**

**Preparing - to hear God’s word**

*The lesson reader says:* Let us hear the word of the Lord.  
**So may the light of your presence shine into our hearts.**

**Ephesians 4.29–32 - Please be seated**

Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.  
This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

**Children’s Song - 213**

**Genesis 45.1–15 - Joseph is finally revealed to his family**

1 Joseph could no longer control himself before all his attendants, and he cried out, “Have everyone leave my presence!” So there was no one with Joseph when he made himself known to his brothers. 2 And he wept so loudly that the Egyptians heard him, and Pharaoh’s household heard about it.  
3 Joseph said to his brothers, “I am Joseph! Is my father still living?” But his brothers were not able to answer him, because they were terrified at his presence.  
4 Then Joseph said to his brothers, “Come close to me.” When they had done so, he said, “I am your brother Joseph, the one you sold into Egypt! 5 And now, do not be distressed and do not be angry with yourselves for selling me here, because it was to save lives that God sent me ahead of you. 6 For two years now there has been famine in the land, and for the next five years there will be no ploughing and reaping. 7 But God sent me ahead of you to preserve for you a remnant on earth and to save your lives by a great deliverance.  
8 “So then, it was not you who sent me here, but God. He made me father to Pharaoh, lord of his entire household and ruler of all Egypt. 9 Now hurry back to my father and say to him, ‘This is what your son Joseph says: God has made me lord of all Egypt. Come down to me; don’t delay. 10 You shall live in the region of Goshen and be near me—you, your children and grandchildren, your flocks and herds, and all you have. 11 I will provide for you there, because five years of famine are still to come. Otherwise you and your household and all who belong to you will become destitute.’ 12 “You can see for yourselves, and so can my brother Benjamin, that it is really I who am speaking to you. 13 Tell my father about all the honor accorded me in Egypt and about everything you have seen. And bring my father down here quickly.” 14 Then he threw his arms around his brother Benjamin and wept, and Benjamin embraced him, weeping. 15 And he kissed all his brothers and wept over them. Afterward, his brothers talked with him.  
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**There is a Hope - A song celebrating Hope**

There is a hope that burns within my heart,  
That gives me strength for every passing day;  
A glimpse of glory now revealed in meagre part,  
Yet drives all doubt away:I stand in Christ, with sins forgiven;  
And Christ in me, the hope of heaven!  
My highest calling and my deepest joy,  
To make His will my home.

2 There is a hope that lifts my weary head,  
A consolation strong against despair,  
That when the world has plunged me in its deepest pit,  
I find the Saviour there!  
Through present sufferings, future’s fear,  
He whispers ‘courage’ in my ear.  
For I am safe in everlasting arms,  
And they will lead me home.

3 There is a hope that stands the test of time,  
That lifts my eyes beyond the beckoning grave,  
To see the matchless beauty of a day divine  
When I behold His face!  
When sufferings cease and sorrows die,  
And every longing satisfied.  
Then joy unspeakable will flood my soul,  
For I am truly home.

**The Sermon - Joseph forgives at a Family Table**

**Offering Hymn 550 - Forgive us, Lord, as we forgive**

**Closing Hymn 324 - God, whose almighty word**

**Dismissal** We go into the world **to walk in God’s light,**  
**to rejoice in God’s love** **and to reflect God’s glory.**

**Come for Refreshments - in the Church Hall**

**Midweek Worship** at Carryduff Wednesday 10:00 am

**Friday** Team makes up September Edition of Crossroads

**Next Sunday** 8:30 am Early Communion

10:00 am Celebrate at Ten *for all ages*

12:00 pm Sunday Morning Worship *for all ages*

**Diocesan Bible Week: True Conversion at 7:45 pm in Willowfield**

With Greg Downes speaking on Colossians 1  
Tuesday 29 August:  **A change of address** (Colossians 1:1-2)  
Wednesday 30 August: **Conversion to a cause** (Colossians 1:3-14)  
Thursday 31 August: **Conversion to Christ** (Colossians 1:15-23)  
Friday 1 September: **Conversion to a community** (Colossians 1:24-29)