

## Church Bulletin

We are a congregation of the Free Church of Scotland. We gather each Lord's Day to praise and worship the only true and living God.

**Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2022**



### SUNDAY SERVICES

We gather for public worship on the Lord's Day at 12.00noon and at 6.00pm. More details on the Congregation and our ministry are available on our website [here](#).

#### 12.00 Noon Service – Slavic Gospel Association

This Lord's Day we welcome Pastor John Birnie of the Slavic Gospel Association (SGAS) at our 12.00noon service. Mr Birnie joined the staff of SGA in 2007 and served as Director of Field Ministries until 2019, when he reduced his role in the Mission to part-time. He is married to Dorothy, and they have four sons and one daughter, all married. He will preach at the service and will also give an update on the work of SGA with a particular focus on the situation in the Ukraine. More information SGA mission and ministry is available on their website [here](#). The SGA Prayer Bulletin can be accessed [here](#) or on the back page of the Bulletin.

#### Door Collection for SGA

A collection will be taken at the door, on entrance to the service and on exit from the service, in aid of SGA funds and ministries.

#### 6.00pm Service

The Minister will take the 6.00pm service. We will continue our short study of 'The Paraclete Passages in John'. The Paraclete Passages are found in the message of John Chapters 14-16 where Jesus promises the Holy Spirit to his disciples. The sermon will be based on the second of the Paraclete Passages in John 14:25-27. The subject of the sermon will be 'The Holy Spirit – The Teacher.'

#### Psalm Singing

The praise will be led by our precentor and the Psalms for this Lord's Day are as follows:

	12.00 Noon Service		6.00pm Service	
1	Psalm 27:1-5	Psalter (236)	Psalm 122:1-9	Psalter (416)
2	Psalm 89:13-16	Psalter (345)	Psalm 119:33-40	Sing Psalms (159)
3	Psalm 126:1-6	Psalter (419)	Psalm 4:4-8	Psalter (202)

#### Audio-visual Equipment

The repaired ATEM live stream has arrived, and we are pleased to have our system restored to normal service. Once again, we record our thanks to the Carlway congregation for the use of their standby equipment in recent weeks.

#### English Services

The English services in the Church at 12.00noon and 6.00pm will be live streamed on our **YouTube Channel** [here](#). An audio recording of both services will be available on Sermon Audio as soon as possible after the services end. The services can be accessed on the Shawbost Free Church **Sermon Audio Page** by clicking [here](#).

#### Gaelic Service

A pre-recorded audio-only recording of the Gaelic service will be available at 12.00noon on Sunday on the **Shawbost Free Church Sermon Audio Page**. The audio-only recording of the Gaelic Service will also be available on the Twilio service, accessed by dialling 0131 510 2471. The availability of a video recording of the Gaelic service is currently under review.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL

There will be no Sunday School today due to the School long weekend. The Sunday School will resume next Lord's Day as usual.

### PRAYER MEETING & BIBLE STUDY

The weekly Prayer and Bible Study Meeting will be in the Bragar Meeting Hall on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2022 at 7.00pm. This week we will resume our study of the Epistle of James by looking at James 5:7-11 and 'Patience in Trials & God's Reward.'

## DEACONS COURT

The Deacons Court will meet in Bragar Meeting Hall immediately after the Prayer Meeting this Wednesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2022.

## COVID RESTRICTIONS

We continue to exercise care as we seek to provide a safe environment for all our Church services. We continue, therefore, to observe the one-metre physical distancing in our services.

Although regulatory requirements to wear face coverings in places of worship was removed from 4<sup>th</sup> April, the Scottish Government's guidance still strongly encourages the use of protective measures to reduce risk, including wearing of face coverings where appropriate to help keep each other safe. We therefore recommend that those who are attending our services wear a face covering while entering the Church building and then take advantage of the change in the legal requirement by removing your face covering once you are seated if you wish.

## SCOTTISH REFORMATION SOCIETY

The Scottish Reformation Society will hold a public Zoom meeting on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30pm. The speaker is Rev. Ian Macleod, Pastor of Hope Reformed Church, Tillsonburg, Canada. His talk is entitled 'Robert Candlish and the Doctrine of Sonship'. A warm welcome is extended to all. Zoom Meeting ID: 872 2889 2506. Passcode: 1550.

## 'IN A BIG COUNTRY' RURAL CONFERENCE

The Mission Board is organising a Rural Conference 'In a Big Country' to be held in Dingwall Free Church on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> June 2022. This is the second of the 'In a Big Country' conferences and provides an opportunity for congregations to study God's Word, to hear what He is doing in and around rural Scotland and to encourage each other.

For updates about the event, keep an eye on the Free Church website: [www.freechurch.org](http://www.freechurch.org)





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