

Weekly 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 7th November 2021



SUNDAY SERVICES

We gather for public worship this Lord's Day at 12.00noon and at 6.00pm. Both the services will be conducted in English and taken by the Minister.

Services this Sunday

At the 12.00noon service we will have a second introductory message to our study of *The Son of Man Discourses in Matthew*. We will look at Daniel 7:9-14 and 'Who is this Son of Man?'

At the 6.00pm service we will move into our study of *The Warning Passages in Hebrews*. We will introduce this study by looking at Hebrews 2:1-4 and 'Faith & The Danger of Drifting.'

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 8:3-9	Sing Psalms (8)	Psalm 119:169-176	Psalter (414)
2	Psalm 72:5-9	Psalter (312)	Psalm 70:1-5 (SM)	Psalter (309)
3	Psalm 72:17-19	Psalter (314)		

English Services

The English services in the Church at 12.00noon and 6.00pm will be live streamed and will be available on the Shawbost Free Church of Scotland **YouTube Channel** by clicking [here](#). An audio-only recording of the English services will be available on Sermon Audio at 2.00pm for the 12.00noon service and at 8.00pm for the 6.00pm service. The services can be accessed on the Shawbost Free Church **Sermon Audio Page** by clicking [here](#).

Gaelic Service

A pre-recorded video service conducted in Gaelic from the same passage as the 12.00noon English service will be available on our YouTube Channel at 10.30am on Sunday. The 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.

COVID Restrictions

We continue to observe the one-metre physical distancing in our services in the meantime to help allay people's anxieties in public gatherings in the light of the ongoing presence of the COVID-19. We will also continue the practice of taking a register of all those attending our services.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Sunday School will meet this Lord's Day with young people joining the Service as usual at 12.00noon and moving to the Church Hall for the Sunday School at 12.15pm.

WEEKLY PRAYER & BIBLE STUDY

The weekly Prayer and Bible Study meeting will take place in the Church at 7.00pm this Wednesday, 10th November 2021. We will continue our study of the *Letter of James*. We will observe the same one-metre physical distancing and take a register of those attending the meeting in line with our practice for Sunday services.

CONGREGATIONAL WEBSITE

The [Weekly Bulletin](#) is available under the News item on the Main Menu bar of the Website. The Lord's Day services can also be accessed on the Website. A Donations & Givings option has been added to the Main Menu to give contributors and donors options and facilities for supporting the work of the Congregation.

MISSION SUPPORT GROUP – FUNDRAISING LUNCH

The Mission Support Group (Western Isles) are holding a soup and pudding lunch on Saturday 13th November 2021 from 12-2pm at the Rev. M. A. Macleod Memorial Hall. Donations will go to Muriel Macleod, Cambodia. All

are very welcome to attend. Masks are to be worn except while sitting to eat. Contact details will be taken at the door for track & trace purposes.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY SERVICE

The 2021 Remembrance Sunday Service will take place at the War Memorial in Bragar on Sunday 14th November. The Service will commence at 10.30am and will be conducted outside. The usual order of service will be followed and will include a short address, the singing of a Psalm in Gaelic, Prayer, the laying of wreaths by different groups, and the singing of a Psalm in English. A collection will be taken at the Service in aid of funds for the upkeep and maintenance of the War Memorial.

YOUTH DISCIPLESHIP PRAYER LETTER

The first issue of the Presbytery's Youth Discipleship Prayer Letter is now available. The Prayer Letter can be accessed on the Congregational Website [here](#).

MISSIONARY SLOT – TEAR FUND

Tearfund is a Christian charity that partners with churches in more than 50 of the world's poorest countries. They help tackle poverty through sustainable development, responding to disasters, and challenging injustice. Tearfund is persuaded that an end to extreme poverty is possible. Thousands of people needlessly suffer and die every day because of poverty. But that's not God's plan for the world. And God is calling you – all of us – to reach out to people in greatest need. We partner with local churches and organisations who have a crucial role to play in the places worst affected by poverty.

One of Tear Fund's current campaigns is the Climate Crisis Appeal. Climate change has reached a state of emergency and we can't afford to think of it as a distant threat. It's here, wreaking damage and misery – particularly on the lives of the world's poorest people, pushing them back into poverty.

You can support the Tearfund Climate Crisis Appeal by clicking [here](#). For more information on Tear Fund and the environment and climate click [here](#).

PRAYING FOR ONE ANOTHER

Tain & Fearn

Minister: Rev. Alasdair Macaulay

Assistant Minister: Rev. Andrew Macleod

Tain and Fearn is situated in the Highlands, 35 miles north of Inverness. Our two ministers; Alasdair and Andrew work together to serve the two ends of our congregation. The last 18 months encouraged us to update our church website, install a recording camera and increase our online presence. We have returned to in-person services while recording the service for our YouTube channel. We have been encouraged for professions of faith through these difficult months.

Prayer Points:

1. New Church for Tain - We have seen many prayers answered regarding our New Church Project; donations have continued steadily, and a new project team has been created. Please pray that physical work will begin and that construction costs will settle.
2. Please pray for more children to attend the Tain end of the congregation, specifically. We are also running Christianity explored this month, pray fruit from this course.

Mull & Coll

Minister: Vacant

Interim Moderator: Rev. Iain MacAskill

The congregation of Mull and Coll is a small group based mainly in Tobermory, Mull. The church is in a good location on the main street. There are no longer any separate Free Church services on Coll and Free Church folk have helped with supply for the local Church of Scotland congregation.

Prayer Points:

1. Pray for the ongoing connections with the Oban congregation on the mainland, that these would be built upon and be an encouragement to Oban and the surrounding isles.
2. Pray that the group on Mull would maintain their presence and Christian witness on the island.