

## 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

10<sup>th</sup> August 2025



### WELCOME TO OUR SERVICES TODAY

Today's services will be taken by Mr Tormod (Tam) MacLennan (I Iam) and Rev Donald A MacDonald (6pm).

At the **11.00am service**, the Scripture readings will be Isaiah 55 and Mark 4:1-20.

At the **6.00pm service** the Scripture reading will be from John 4:39-54 with a focus on verse 46. The sermon is entitled *A Very Worried Official*.

|   | 11.00am Service |                  | 6.00pm Service    |                  |
|---|-----------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| 1 | Psalm 50(i)     | Scottish Psalter | Psalm 36:5-10     | Scottish Psalter |
| 2 | Psalm 1(a)      | Sing Psalms      | Psalm 86:5-10     | Sing Psalms      |
| 3 | Psalm 49:1-10   | Sing Psalms      | Psalm 102(ii):1-5 | Scottish Psalter |
| 4 | Psalm 92:12-15  | Scottish Psalter | Psalm 28:6-9      | Sing Psalms      |

### SUNDAY SCHOOL

There is no Sunday School due to the school holiday.

### SERVICES NEXT LORD'S DAY

The services next Lord's Day will be taken by Rev Euan Dodds, (Kilmallie and Ardnamurchan Free Church).

### PRAYER MEETING & BIBLE STUDY

The prayer meeting and Bible study will take place on **Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> August at 7pm** in Bragar. Everyone is most welcome and encouraged to attend.

### PROVIDENCE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

Providence Christian School – We are currently looking for committed Christians for the following volunteer posts:

HANDYMAN – flexible work schedule for a Handyman position.

CLASSROOM/ PLAYGROUND ASSISTANT – Part time Role.

Please contact by email if you are interested of for more information. [office@providencechristian.school](mailto:office@providencechristian.school).

### SCHEDULE OF COMMUNION SERVICES 15TH – 17TH AUGUST 2025

| South Harris Free Church   |                |         |                      |
|--|----------------|---------|----------------------|
| Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> August                                   | Gaelic         | 12 noon | Rev Kenneth Ferguson |
|  | English        | 7.00 pm | Rev Thomas Davis     |
| Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup> August                                 | Gaelic/English | 12 noon | Prayer Meeting       |
|  | English        | 6.30 pm | Rev Callum Macleod   |
| Lords Day 17 <sup>th</sup> August                                | English        | 12 noon | Rev Callum Macleod   |
|  | English        | 6.00 pm |                      |
| There will be a fellowship in the hall after the evening service |                |         |                      |

*A revived church is a praying church.....and a praying church is an advancing church.*  
Jonathan Edwards

## MATTHEW HENRY DEVOTIONAL READING 10<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST

*... so that the tested genuineness of your faith – more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire – may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ.*

1 PETER 1:7

Persons of strong passions are apt to be cast down with any trifle that crosses them, or to be lifted up with a trifle that pleases them. See what our creature-comforts are, and what we may expect them to be; they are withering things. A small worm at the root destroys a large gourd: our gourds wither, and we know not what the cause is. Perhaps creature-comforts are continued to us, but are made bitter; the creature is continued, but the comfort is gone. God prepared a wind to make Jonah feel the want of the gourd. It is just that those who love to complain should never be left without something to complain of. When afflicting providences take away relations, possessions, and enjoyments, we must not be angry at God. What should especially silence discontent, is, that when our gourd is gone, our God is not gone. Sin and death are very dreadful, yet Jonah, in his heat, makes light of both. One soul is of more value than the whole world; surely then one soul is of more value than many gourds: we should have more concern for our own and others' precious souls, than for the riches and enjoyments of this world. It is a great encouragement to hope we shall find mercy with the Lord, that he is ready to show mercy ... Do we wonder at the forbearance of God towards his perverse servant? Let us study our own hearts and ways; let us not forget our own ingratitude and obstinacy; and let us be astonished at God's patience towards us.

### PREACHING SUPPLY: PROVISIONAL ARRANGEMENTS (AUG – NOV 2025)

| Date                    | 11am Service         | 6pm Service          |
|-------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| 24 <sup>th</sup> August | Rev Roddy Macrae     | Rev. Kenny Ferguson  |
| 31 <sup>st</sup> August | Rev. Calum Macdonald | Rev. Calum Macdonald |

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| 7 <sup>th</sup> September  | Communion            |                               |
| 14 <sup>th</sup> September | Mr Marten Paterson   | Rev James Maciver             |
| 21 <sup>st</sup> September | Rev. Kenny I Macleod | (Closed for Barvas Communion) |
| 28 <sup>th</sup> September | Rev. Calum Macdonald | Rev James Maciver             |

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| 5 <sup>th</sup> October  | Rev. R.J Campbell            | Rev. R.J Campbell       |
| 12 <sup>th</sup> October | Mr Ian M Macleod (Stornoway) | Rev James Maciver       |
| 19 <sup>th</sup> October | Rev. A Coghill               | Rev. A Coghill          |
| 26 <sup>th</sup> October | Rev. G Matheson              | Mr Stuart King (Harris) |

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| 2 <sup>nd</sup> November  | Rev. R.J Campbell       | Rev. R.J Campbell        |
| 9 <sup>th</sup> November  | Rev. Donald A Macdonald | Rev. Donald A Macdonald  |
| 16 <sup>th</sup> November | Rev. Calum Macdonald    | Rev. Calum Macdonald     |
| 23 <sup>rd</sup> November |                         | Rev Colin Macleod (Back) |
| 30 <sup>th</sup> November | Mr Ian M Macleod        | Mr Ian M Macleod         |