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CHURCH BULLETIN

SUNDAY 10th SEPTEMBER 2023

INTRODUCTION

We are a congregation of the [Free Church of Scotland](#). We gather for public worship on the Lord's Day at 12.00noon and at 6.00pm. We use the [ESV version of the Bible](#) in the public worship of God. We use both the [Scottish Psalter](#) and [Sing Psalms](#) versions of the Psalms for the praise items in our public worship. More details on the Congregation and our ministry are available on our website [here](#). Our services are livestreamed and available on our [You Tube channel](#).

LORD'S DAY SERVICES

The services today will be taken by the Minister. As the Minister moves into the final weeks of his ministry with us, we will commence a series of sermons to cover the coming weeks entitled **Parting Counsel from the Words of Paul**.

For the **12.00noon service**, the sermon will be based on 2 Corinthians 1:15-22. The sermon title is **A Personal Plea to Focus on the Gospel**.

At the **6.00pm service**, the sermon will be based on 2 Timothy 1:3-7. The sermon title is **A Personal Plea to Persevere in Faith**.

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

	12.00 Noon Service		6.00pm Service	
1	Psalms 138:1-7	Sing Psalms	Psalms 105:1-7	Psalter
2	Psalms 40:1-4	Psalter	Psalms 78:1-6	Psalter
3	Psalms 119:89-94	Psalter	Psalms 45(a):11-17	Sing Psalms
4	Psalms 92(a):8-15	Sing Psalms		

SUNDAY SCHOOL

The children will go to their classes in the Church Hall as normal during the third item of praise.

SERVICES NEXT LORD'S DAY

Next Lord's Day we welcome Dr Adam, Gospel Missionary, for the 12.00noon service. Dr Adam will bring God's Word to us and then give a brief update on his missionary work. Following our usual practice for visiting missionaries, a Collection will be taken at both services of the day in aid of funds for Dr Adam's work. The Minister will take the evening service.

PRAYER MEETING AND BIBLE STUDY

The Prayer and Bible Study Meeting will take place on Wednesday 13th September 2023 at 7.00pm in Bragar.

MINISTER'S DIARY

The Minister will be away at various meetings in Edinburgh from Tuesday to Friday of this week. The weekly Prayer Meeting will be taken in his absence by the Elders.

MINISTER'S RETIREMENT

As previously announced, the Minister will retire from the pastoral ministry in the congregation, effective from 31st October 2023. He has three weeks holidays to take before this date. This means that the last Lord's Day on which the Minister will preach will be Sunday 8th October. Pulpit supply has been arranged up until the end of October. Rev. Calum Macdonald (Callanish) will take over as Interim-Moderator on the 1st November 2023.

COMFORT INTERNATIONAL – HARVEST RESOURCES 2023

Comfort International has recently prepared a resources pack for a church/small group and for children/young people. This resources can be accessed at the following link: <https://comfortinternational.org/harvestpack/>. An introduction video can be found at <https://youtu.be/QCeZMfxmQA>

INDUCTION OF REV MATTY GUY

The induction of Rev Matty Guy as Minister of Dingwall & Strathpeffer Free Church was held on Saturday 9th September 2023. We remember Matty, his wife Jody (from Carloway) and their young son Billy as they begin this new chapter in their lives.

PROVIDENCE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL PRAYER MEETING

All are warmly invited to a prayer meeting at Providence Christian School this **Monday 11th September at 7.30pm**. There will be a time of fellowship afterwards over a cup of tea. For those unable to join in person, a Teams option is available, for further details on this please email office@providencechristian.school

BARVAS FREE CHURCH COMMUNION TIMETABLE

Friday 15 th September	7.30pm	English	Rev Iain M Campbell Kinloch
Saturday 16 th September	6.00pm	English	Rev Colin Macleod - Back
Lord's Day 17 th September	11.00am	English	Rev Colin Macleod - Back
	6.00pm	English	Rev Colin Macleod - Back
There will be a fellowship meeting in the hall after the Sabbath evening service.			

SCALPAY FREE CHURCH COMMUNION TIMETABLE

Thursday 14 th September	7.00pm	English	Rev James Maciver
Friday 15 th September	12.00 noon	Gaelic	Rev James Maciver
	7.00pm	English	Rev Calum I Macleod - Lochs
Saturday 16 th September	8.30am	Prayer Meeting	Elders
	12.00 noon	English	Rev Calum I Macleod - Lochs
	6.00pm	Prayer Meeting	Bi-lingual- Visiting elder
Lord's Day 17 th September	8.30am	Prayer Meeting	Elders
	12 noon	English	Rev James Maciver
	6.00pm	English	Rev Calum I Macleod - Lochs
There will be a short prayer meeting after the Sabbath evening service.			

NORTH HARRIS FREE CHURCH COMMUNION TIMETABLE

Friday 15 th September	12 noon	Gaelic	Rev Paul Murray
	7.00pm	English	Prof John A Macleod
Saturday 16 th September	7.00pm	Prayer Meeting	Prof John A Macleod
Lord's Day 17 th September	11.00am	English	Prof John A Macleod
	6.00pm	English	Prof John A Macleod

PRAYING FOR ONE ANOTHER (11th SEPTEMBER – 17th SEPTEMBER 2023)

Monday 11th September Kinloch

Pray that as the congregation gathers to worship, they will be renewed by the word of God. Pray that they will live by the instruction and guidance of the word, and that they will be encouraged by it.

Tuesday 12th September Osamu and Mairi, Japan

Thank you for the answered prayer for us to find a suitable place for Sunday services in Tagajo city. The Lord led us to the suitable place. First Sunday service is 17th September. Please pray that the Lord will give people desire to come to this place in the day to come.

Wednesday 13th September Fortrose

Please pray for the cafe and Blether which takes place on Tuesdays. Pray that many would attend, and that through this witness many would see and know the love of Christ.

Thursday 14th September Board of Trustees

Please pray for the Board of Trustees as they meet today. Pray for wisdom as they make decisions on governance and finance. Please pray this meeting will be a fruitful time and God will use all things for His glory.

Friday 15th September Osamu and Mairi, Japan

As we start seeking to reach out to the population of 63,000 of the city, pray the Lord will give us wisdom, guidance and means to do that as we are small in number.

Saturday 16th September

Fortrose

Please pray that God would build, strengthen and encourage his church in Fortrose. Pray that God would build His church upon the firm rock of our salvation, Jesus.

Sunday 17th September

Osamu and Mairi, Japan

Pray for Stephen as he goes out to help restore a church in Akita from the flooding occurred in August.