



**THE VISION OF THE
FREE CHURCH OF
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**A Healthy
Gospel Church
for Every Community
in Scotland**

The graphic consists of several elements: a blue leaf icon in the top left; a light green map of Scotland with small leaf icons scattered across it in the top right; the text 'THE VISION OF THE FREE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND IS' in blue; the main title 'A Healthy Gospel Church for Every Community in Scotland' in bold blue; a silhouette of a church spire, a bridge, and two location pins in shades of purple and blue; and a stylized landscape of rolling hills in shades of green and blue with a small plant growing on a hill.

CHURCH BULLETIN
SUNDAY 12th March 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](#).

SUNDAY SERVICES

The 12noon and 6pm services today will be taken by Mr Donald MacAulay (Carloway) and Mr Donald Morrison (Elder), respectively. For the **12.00noon service**, the reading is from Exodus 24 with a focus on verses 9-11. At the **6.00pm service** the reading will be from Luke 15 and the sermon is entitled *The Prodigal's Return*

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 130	Psalter	Psalms 130	Psalter
2	Psalms 111:1-5	Psalter	Psalms 40:1-5	Psalter
3	Psalms 111:6-10	Psalter	Psalms 103:11-15	Psalter
4	Psalms 36:5-9	Psalter		

MINISTER UPDATE

The GP has placed the Minister on a phased return to work over a two-month period. He was advised to begin the phased return with a minimal amount of pastoral work and then introduce one preaching engagement per Lord's Day, working up to a normal preaching routine by the end of the two-month period. The programmed phased return to preaching will commence with the evening service on Lord's Day 19th March followed by the 12.00noon service on Lord's Day 26th March. We give thanks for this development and continue to remember Callum and Catherine in our prayers.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

The children will go to their classes as normal today.

SERVICES NEXT LORD'S DAY

There will be services as normal in the Church next Lord's Day. Mr Scott Macleod (Minister in Training) will take the 12-noon service. The Minister hopes to take the 6pm evening service as noted above.

PRAYER MEETING & BIBLE STUDY

The Prayer and Bible Study Meeting will take place on Wednesday 15th March 2023 at 7.00pm in the Church Hall.

SCHEDULES OF COMMUNION SERVICES – 17-20th March 2023

Barvas Free Church			
Friday 17 th March	7.30pm	English	Rev Colin Macleod
Saturday 18 th March	6.00pm	English	Rev Iain Thomson
Lord's Day 19 th March	11.00am	English	Rev Iain Thomson
	6.00pm	English	Rev Iain Thomson
The evening service will be followed by a Congregational Fellowship			
Kinloch Free Church			
Thursday 16 th March	7.00pm	English	Rev Calum Macdonald
Friday 17 th March	11.30am	Gaelic	Question Meeting
	7.00pm	Gaelic (Hall)	Rev Calum Macdonald
	7.00pm	English	Rev Gavino Fioretti
Saturday 18 th March	12.00 noon	English	Rev Gavin Fioretti
	7.00pm	Prayer Meeting	
Lord's Day 19 th March	11.30 noon	English	Rev Calum Macdonald
	6.00pm	English	Rev Gavino Fioretti
The evening service will be followed by a short prayer meeting led by the elders. This will be followed with a fellowship at the manse at which visiting ministers will give a word of testimony.			
Monday 20 th March	11.30am	English	Rev Gavino Fioretti

PRAYING FOR ONE ANOTHER

Monday 13th March

Enspire

On Saturday 11th March, the Enspire conference took place for ministers' wives. Pray that the women who attended would be blessed and refreshed after their time together and in God's word.

Tuesday 14th March

Fortwilliam and Kilmonivaig

Pray for the congregation to become well known in the community and a spiritual haven for more young families.

Wednesday 15th March

Matt and Maria Lingard, Athens

Pray we would be able to get hold of the Polish Bibles.

Thursday 16th March

Fort William and Kilmonivaig

Please pray for James and Claire and family who have moved to Fort William. James has taken up the part time position of Congregational worker with responsibility for preaching and pastoral work. James is a licensed preacher of the gospel and his ministry is being appreciated by the congregation.

Friday 17th March

Assynt and Edrachillis

Please pray for these congregations, that God would help them be salt and light in the community and have the confidence in Jesus to share His good news.

Saturday 18th March

Matt and Maria Lingard, Athens

Please pray we would be able to effectively share Christ's love and the message of his Good News with the various new people we are meeting in both the poverty and refugee ministries.

Sunday 19th March

Fortwilliam and Kilmonivaig

Pray for the appointment of elders in the near future.