



CHURCH BULLETIN
SUNDAY 13th August 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 12.00noon service will be taken by Rev Kenneth I Macleod and the 6.00pm service will be taken by Mr Stuart King, North Harris Free Church

At the **12.00noon service**, the Scripture reading will be Luke Chapter 15 with a focus on the section from verse 11 to the end of the chapter. The sermon is entitled *Returning Home*.

At the **6.00pm service**, the Scripture reading and sermon will be from the book of Psalms, chapter 84.

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 25(i) v4-10	Psalter	Psalms 27:1-5	Psalter
2	Psalms 103v8-13	Psalter	Psalms 84:1-6	Psalter
3	Psalms 36v5-10	Sing Psalms	Psalms 73:23-28	Psalter
4	Psalms 34v5-10	Sing Psalms		

SUNDAY SCHOOL

There will be no Sunday School today due to the school holidays.

SERVICES NEXT LORD'S DAY

The services next Lord's Day will be taken by the Minister.

PRAYER MEETING AND BIBLE STUDY

The Prayer and Bible Study Meeting will take place on Wednesday 16th August 2023 at 7.00pm in Bragar.

SEPTEMBER COMMUNION

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be observed and dispensed in the congregation on Lord's Day 3rd September 2023. The guest preacher will be Rev. Colin Macleod, Minister at Back. Details of the services will be made available nearer the time.

EDINBURGH THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY – THE SATURDAY COURSE

Open to anyone, the Saturday Courses are an excellent way of gaining more than would normally be offered in church on Sunday whilst being less demanding than a full-time theological course. One Saturday a month, from September through to April, three lectures are delivered by visiting speakers. These lectures, which are also available to access online, are specially designed to stretch the Christian mind and deepen an understanding of God's word. The course content covers Biblical Studies, Practical Theology, Christian Discipleship and Christian Doctrine.

Who is the Saturday Course for? The Saturday Courses, which may be completed with or without essays, are of great benefit to anyone who has a longing to dig deeper into the gospel. They are also intended for office-bearers – to encourage them to learn how to approach theological, biblical, historical and pastoral issues and thus to develop a greater study of the word of God. No prior qualifications are necessary – everyone is welcome. For more information, please visit <https://ets.ac.uk/courses/saturday-courses/>

PRAYING FOR ONE ANOTHER (14th August - 20th August 2023)

Monday 14th August Prince Edward Island (Central Charge)

Please pray for our summer camp taking place this week. Pray for the leaders as they nurture and develop Christian character in our young people as we study God's word throughout the day through daily devotions and group discussions.

Tuesday 15th August
Healthy Gospel Church

Give thanks to the Lord for the church plants that are taking place in communities across Scotland. Pray for the vision for 30 new churches by 2030 and the vision for a healthy gospel church for every community in that God will make the paths straight and preparations will run smoothly.

Wednesday 16th August
IMJP: London

Please pray for Lisa, who has attended gospel events but often says she wouldn't want to be 'converted'. Recently though, her attitude to Jesus has softened. Please pray she will come to know the joy of new life in Him.

Thursday 17th August
China

Please join the Chinese church in praying for God's grace and wisdom in the face of growing restrictions - that His children will remain strong in serving Him, sharing the gospel, and uniting with other brothers and sisters.

Friday 18th August
Prince Edward Island, Central Charge

Pray for the smaller congregations to be strengthened by the Spirit, and that God would encourage and bless His people.

Saturday 19th August
Dumisani

Pray for the weekly chapel times at Dumisani Theological Institute, SA during term three. May they prove to be a wonderful unifying time for the student body.

Sunday 20th August
IMJP: Paris Summer Outreach

We give thanks for last month's summer outreach. Please pray for the follow-up as Aurel Vidal reaches out to those who gave their contact details. Pray there will be many who come to know Jesus as their Messiah.

QUOTE

"Prayer is beyond any question the highest activity of the human soul. Man is at his greatest and highest when upon his knees he comes face to face with God."

(Studies on the Sermon on the Mount, Dr Martyn Llyod-Jones).