

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

14th December 2025



WELCOME TO OUR SERVICES TODAY

Today's services will be taken by Mr Nathan Kish (11.00am) and Rev. Thomas Davies (6.00pm).

At the 11.00am service, the Scripture reading will be Matthew 2.

At the 6.00pm service, the Scripture reading is Galatians 5.

	11.00am Service		6.00pm Service	
1	Psalm 95:1-6	Scottish Psalter	Psalm 122	Sing Psalms
2	Psalm 98;1-3	Sing Psalms	Psalm 61;1-4	Scottish Psalter
3	Psalm 1a	Sing Psalms	Psalm 119:129-136	Sing Psalms
4	Psalm 98:4-9	Scottish Psalter	Psalm 116;13-19	Scottish Psalter

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday school will be on at the usual time today. The children will go to their classes in the hall during the second item of praise.

SERVICES NEXT LORD'S DAY

The services next Lord's Day will be taken by Rev Calum M Smith (11.00am) and Mr Joe MacPhee (6.00pm).

PRAYER MEETING AND BIBLE STUDY

The prayer meeting and Bible study will take place on Wednesday 17th December at 7pm in Bragar. Everyone is most welcome and encouraged to attend.

LADIES GROUP - COFFEE MORNING

The Ladies Group Coffee Morning yesterday raised the incredible sum of £1162. A huge thank you to everyone who attended and donated, particularly given the weather conditions. A huge thank you also, of course, to the Ladies Group and to all those who helped by baking, serving, preparing and tidying up the hall afterwards.

MESSAGE FROM MORRISON FAMILY

In connection with the above, the Morrison family have shared the following message: "We would like to thank everyone who came along to the coffee morning fundraiser on Saturday. The support and generosity from you all are much appreciated and the amount raised was incredible! Thank you all so much. Lydia has completed seven rounds of chemotherapy now and has another seven to get through. She has also done four weeks of radiotherapy and has another five weeks still to go. It has been the most difficult five months for our family, but your continued support and prayers have given us great comfort during the most challenging time of our lives. Peigi, Andrew, Lydia and Rory."

GLASGOW CITY MISSION APPEAL 2025

Stornoway High Free Church will host an event on **Tuesday 23rd December from 9:00am to 4:00pm** in aid of the Glasgow City Mission Christmas Appeal for the homeless in Glasgow. There will be a stall in the Stornoway Town Hall, and supporters are encouraged to donate finance, vouchers, or e-vouchers, as specifically requested by the Glasgow City Mission this year. Vouchers from Boots, Superdrug, Coop, Tesco, Argos, Matalan, Costa Coffee, Starbucks, TK Maxx, and Primark can be purchased locally in Stornoway. For further information, individuals can contact Norman Maciver (07741007617), Robert France (07796283328), or Charlie Nicolson (07717816476). The event expresses the sentiment: 'Cridhe nan Eilean, Cridhe a' Bhaile'—Heart of the Isles, Heart of the City.

Grace is not irresistible because God forces the unwilling. It is irresistible because He makes the unwilling willing
Jonathan Edwards

PSALM TUNE PRACTICE

The tunes practiced recently were [St. Magnus](#) and [Warwick](#). Click on the hyperlinks to listen to the tunes being sung to the correct musical notation.

PRAYER POINTS 8TH DECEMBER- 14th DECEMBER 2025

Monday 8th December

Stirling

Please pray for the congregation in this time of vacancy, that the Lord would strengthen and uphold the members during this time, and that the Lord would provide wisdom and guidance in this season.

Tuesday 9th December

Board of Ministry

Pray for the Board of Ministry as they meet on Tuesday, for wisdom and guidance in all their remits as they assess candidates, oversee training, and support ministers and their families. Pray for wisdom and clarity in all decisions they make and give thanks for the work of the Student and Ministry teams.

Wednesday 10th December

Osamu and Mairi, Japan

Drop-In-Cafe is planned on 11th and 18th of this month. Last month a lady who is the mother of Micah's classmate came to this. Pray that invitations distributed bring some to come.

Thursday 11th December

Board of Trustees

Pray for the Board of Trustees who meet today. Pray that God would grant them great wisdom as they oversee governance, finance, property, and compliance for the Church. Pray for wisdom as they support other boards and congregations, and work toward the vision of a healthy gospel church for every community in Scotland.

Friday 12th December

Osamu and Mairi

Children's Christmas party is planned for 13th. Naomi's children are inviting their Japanese classmates to this. Pray that some of them will come. For most of them this would be the first time to be in a church building.

Saturday 13th December

Stirling

Pray that as a congregation, and as people of God we would daily turn to God's Word for clear direction, remain obedient to Scripture despite cultural pressures, and walk with strength and courage.

Sunday 14th December

Osamu and Mairi, Japan

On 21st we hold Christmas family service. We will have distributed invitations to our neighbourhood. (1500) May the name of our Savior uplifted in Tagajo city!!

PREACHING SUPPLY: PROVISIONAL ARRANGEMENTS (DEC 2025 - FEB 2026)

Date	11am Service	6pm Service
28 th December	Rev. Calum Macdonald	Rev. Calum Macdonald
4 th January	Rev. R.J Campbell	Rev. R.J Campbell
11 th January	Rev. Gordon Matheson	Rev. Calum Smith
18 th January	Mr Stuart King	Mr Gordon Macleod
25 th January	Rev. Callum Macleod	Mr Ian Macrae
1 st February	Rev. R.J Campbell	Rev. R.J Campbell
8 th February	Rev. Kenny I Macleod	Rev. Kenny I Macleod
15 th February	Rev. Calum Macdonald	Mr Tam MacLennan
22 nd February *	Rev. Matty Guy	Rev. Matty Guy

*Communion