



CHURCH BULLETIN
SUNDAY 17th July 2022

SUNDAY SERVICES

We gather for public worship on the Lord's Day at 12.00noon and at 6.00pm. More details on the Congregation and our ministry are available on our website [here](#).

Services this Sunday

The services today will be taken by Mr Matty Guy who is on placement in the congregation for six weeks.

The sermon at the **12.00noon service** will be based on Philippians 2:12-30. The sermon at the **6.00pm service** will be based on Haggai 2:10-19.

Psalm Singing

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

	12.00 Noon Service		6.00pm Service	
1	Psalm 47:1-9	Sing Psalms (62)	Psalm 119:9-16	Psalter (400)
2	Psalm 133:1-3	Psalter (424)	Psalm 51:7-12	Psalter (281)
3	Psalm 128:1-6	Sing Psalms (172)	Psalm 130:1-8	Sing Psalms (173)
4	Psalm 63:1-5	Psalter (295)	-----	-----

English Services

The English services in the Church at 12.00noon and 6.00pm will be live streamed on our **YouTube Channel** [here](#). An audio recording of both services will be available on Sermon Audio as soon as possible after the services end. The services can be accessed on the Shawbost Free Church **Sermon Audio Page** by clicking [here](#).

Gaelic Service

There will be no new Gaelic sermons available on the Shawbost Free Church Sermon Audio Page during the six weeks of Matty Guy's Placement.

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Summer Sunday School meets this Lord's Day with the timing and the arrangements following the pattern of the regular Sunday School. The purpose of the Summer Sunday School is to provide continuity in our worship and activities on the Lord's Day and in the teaching of our children. Parents and children are encouraged to support the Summer Sunday School when they are at home.

PRAYER MEETING & BIBLE STUDY

The Prayer and Bible Study Meeting will take place on Wednesday 20th July 2022 at 7.00pm in the Bragar Meeting Hall..

CONGREGATIONAL FELLOWSHIP

There will be a Congregation Fellowship after the evening service next Lord's Day, Sunday 24th July 2022. The Minister will interview Matty Guy and we will have an opportunity to hear something of his personal testimony and life experience.

TRIBUTE – REV. NEIL MACDONALD

It was with sadness that the Church learned of the peaceful passing of Rev. Neil Macdonald on Sunday 3rd July 2022. Mr Macdonald was a former minister of Ardelve in Lochalsh where he was ordained and inducted in 1959, and then at Fearn where he was inducted in 1970, and where he ministered for twenty-seven years. He was Moderator of the General Assembly in 1996. A full tribute is available on the Free Church website [here](#).

RENFREW JUNIOR CAMP

The Renfrew Junior Camp is taking place this week, having started on Saturday 16th July, and will run for seven days. We pray for them as they meet and we can include the following points in our prayers:

1. Thank God for His provision of a great team of leaders and a great group of campers!
2. Pray that the leaders will be used by God in the ministry of the gospel and that they will be good examples of disciples of Jesus to the young people.
3. Pray for the campers that they will be blessed in hearing the good news of Jesus and in taking part in conversations and discussions.
4. Pray for safety in travelling and in all the activities of the week.

FREE CHURCH BOOKS – REVIEWS

Here are some of the books reviewed by Free Church Books this month.

BOOK OF THE MONTH: ‘Luke 1-13: The Year of the Lord’s Favour’, Dale Ralph Davis (2021)

Christian Focus Publications have done the Church a great service by commissioning Dale Ralph Davis to write a commentary on the Gospel of Luke. Davis is better known as an Old Testament commentator. By his own admission, *‘I tend to find the New Testament more difficult than the Old Testament.’* His commentaries on books like Judges and Joshua (as well as many others) have brought the Old Testament alive for those of us who find the Old Testament more difficult than the New Testament. This book is available from [Christian Focus Publications](#)

‘A Cause Worth Living For’, David Hamilton (2021)

One of the real strengths of 10Publishing is the discovery, or re-issuing, of powerful personal testimonies (10Biography). These true tales are all deeply challenging, moving, and full to the brim of the power of God to redeem and restore. In ‘A Cause Worth Living For’, the reader encounters Davy Hamilton, a former Northern Irish paramilitary whose life was radically changed by prison and the people, and Person, he encountered there. In Davy’s account, the reader is brought vividly into his particular experience of the Troubles, and in the overwhelming need there was for the Lord’s power to change, heal and forgive. When Davy speaks of a “cause worth dying for”, it was something he truly believed of the violent struggle, and his story of gospel transformation is all the more powerful because of it. This book is available from [10ofthose.com](#)

PRAYING FOR ONE ANOTHER

The following are prayer points issued by the Mission Board under the Praying For One Another Scheme (PFOA) in the past week.

Monday Govanhill

While we face many challenges, the Lord has not been slow in showing his goodness to us during the Spring. For example, in May, for the second time in six months, we enjoyed a joint baptism and communion service.

Tuesday Free Church Youth Camps

Please pray for everyone involved: leaders, volunteers, cooks and especially all the young people that they may have a great time, make new friends, reunite with some old friends and continue to learn about the goodness of God.

Wednesday Healthy Gospel Church

Pray for the Mission Board as they seek to support existing churches in their life and ministry – in various ways including the revitalisation track.

Thursday**Fortrose**

Pray for the successful revealing of a new church website in the next few months.

Friday**Govanhill**

Remember in your prayers the 'Good News Club'. This initiative is being led by our Child Evangelism Fellowship workers, John and Martha Meagher. It runs simultaneously with the 5.30pm service on a Sunday. We hope to publicise it more widely before the start of the new school year in mid-August.

Saturday**Dumisani Theological Seminary**

Pray for the safe arrival of Dr Mark and Nancy Kreitzer from the USA in mid-July to teach several courses at Dumisani in the Eastern Cape for all of Term Three. This is their first time at Dumisani so we pray that they will feel the warmth of Christian fellowship and also be blessed as they teach.

Sunday**Fortrose**

Pray for two new families to join the congregation.