Weekly 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.

Sunday 17th October 2021



SUNDAY SERVICES

We gather for public worship this Lord's Day at 12.00noon and at 6.00pm. Both the services will be conducted in English and taken by Rev George Macaskill, DV.

Services this Sunday

At the 12.00noon service the Scripture reading will be from Acts 9:1-22. The focus of the service will be on verses 20-22 and *Paul's Dramatic Conversion*. At the 6.00pm service the Scripture reading will be from Matthew 16:1-20, focussing on verses 16-17. The title of the sermon is *Peter's Undramatic Conversion*.

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	
I	Psalm 107:1-9	Sing Psalms (Pg 143)	Psalm 34:1-9	Sing Psalms (Pg 40)
2	Psalm 107: 10-16	Sing Psalms (Pg 144)	Psalm 62:5-8	Psalter (Pg 294)
3	Psalm 107: 21-26	Sing Psalms (Pg 145)		

English Services

The English services in the Church at 12.00noon and 6.00pm will be live streamed and will be available on the Shawbost Free Church of Scotland **YouTube Channel** by clicking <u>here</u>. An audio-only recording of the English services will be available on Sermon Audio at 2.00pm for the 12.00noon service and at 8.00pm for the 6.00pm service. The services can be accessed on the Shawbost Free Church **Sermon Audio Page** by clicking <u>here</u>.

Gaelic Service

A pre-recorded video service conducted in Gaelic from the same passage as the 12.00noon English service will be available on our YouTube Channel at 10.30am on Sunday. The audio-only recording of the Gaelic service will be available at 12.00noon on Sunday on the Shawbost Free Church Sermon Audio Page. The audio-only recording of the Gaelic Service will also be available as usual on the **Twilio service**, accessed by dialling **0131 510 2471**.

Please note that there will be no Gaelic service available when the Minister is on holiday.

COVID Restrictions

We continue to observe the one-metre physical distancing in our services in the meantime to help allay people's anxieties in public gatherings in the light of the ongoing presence of the COVID-19. We will also continue the practice of taking a register of all those attending our services.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

There will be no Sunday School today as it is the School holidays. The Sunday School will resume on Sunday 24th October with the usual arrangements.

BEREAVEMENT

We note with sadness the passing of Donnie Scott (late of Barvas and Bragar). The funeral will take place from the Shawbost Church on Monday 18th October at 12 noon. The Service will commence at 11.30am. We pray for Donnie's family and friends during this difficult time.

WEEKLY PRAYER & BIBLE STUDY

The weekly Prayer and Bible Study meeting will take place in the Bragar Meeting House at 7.00pm this Wednesday, 20th October 2021. We will observe the same one-metre physical distancing and take a register of those attending the meeting in line with our practice for Sunday services.

MINISTER'S DIARY

The Minister, currently on holiday, will be also absent from the services next Lord's Day (Sunday 24th October) as he is scheduled to take both the services in the vacant congregation of Back.

SERVICES NEXT LORD'S DAY

The 12pm service will be taken by Rev. Roddy J. Campbell and the 6.00pm service will be taken by Rev. Kenny I. Macleod.

CONGREGATIONAL WEBSITE

The <u>Weekly Bulletin</u> is available under the News item on the Main Menu bar of the Website. The Lord's Day services are available on the <u>Listen to the Latest Sermon</u> and the <u>Watch the Latest Sermon</u> buttons on the Home Page.

Donations & Givings

A facility has been set up on our Congregational Website for One-off Donations, arrangements for regular givings using the Standing Order system, and for the completion of a Gift Aid Form if you are a taxpayer. These facilities are all available under the <u>Donations</u> menu option on the website.

FREE CHURCH VACANCIES

Camps' Coordinator

The Church runs an extensive and popular programme of short-term residential camps for children and young people every summer (Free Church Youth Camps). The Church is looking for an enthusiastic and energetic person to join our team of committed staff in the Church Offices to help in the efficient planning and administration of the camps' programme. More details on the post and on the application process are available on the Free Church website <u>here</u>.

Finance Assistant

The Free Church of Scotland is looking to appoint a capable Finance Assistant to join our team of committed staff in the Church Offices to help with the efficient finance administration for the denomination. Our current Finance Assistant is moving to take up a finance and admin role in a local church at the beginning of November. The successful applicant will be part of a small Finance Team, and will have regular contact with other staff, Ministers, Treasurers and suppliers. The post holder will be highly organised and self-motivated and have a desire to manage Church finances well. More details on the post and on the application process are available on the Free Church website here.

PRAYING FOR ONE ANOTHER

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Inverness - Greyfriars

Minister: Rev Malcolm Maclean

Greyfriars is situated on the south side of Inverness. Our congregation is composed of all ages and our activities focus on all age groups as well as on different groups in the community. We have now resumed Sunday services in the church (also available on livestream), but activities for the community have not yet restarted. Midweek meetings, ladies' missionary meetings, daily worship, Bible studies and other forms of contact take place via Zoom.

Prayer Points:

- 1. Several of our teenagers have started first term at university and we would value prayer for them, as well as for the rest of our young people who are in school, and also others who have started work elsewhere.
- 2. Pray that God would continue reminding people in the community of the gospel, especially those who had contact with the church before the lockdown. Pray that such contact will resume eventually and that in the meantime God would bring them to trust in Jesus.

Partick

Minister: Vacant Interim Moderator: Rev Allan Shearer

Partick is a long-established congregation in the West End of Glasgow. It is a fairly small congregation with excellent facilities and potential. The congregation has been vacant since Rev Alex Cowie retired and is actively seeking a minister.

Prayer Points:

- I. Please pray that the vacancy would be filled soon, that the Lord would be preparing His man even now.
- 2. Please pray that our Father would make us all more like the Lord Jesus Christ and give us an increasing burden and desire for the lost so that Partick and Glasgow may be won for Jesus.