

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

17th May 2026



WELCOME TO OUR SERVICES TODAY

Today's services will be taken by Rev Donald MacAulay.

At the **11.00am** service, the Scripture reading will be Acts 17.

At the **6.00pm** service, the Scripture reading will be Luke 24:36-53 and Acts 1:1-14.

	11.00am Service		6.00pm Service	
1	Psalm 144:1-7	Sing Psalms	Psalm 24:1-6	Scottish Psalter
2	Psalm 119:65-71	Scottish Psalter	Psalm 110:1-7	Scottish Psalter
3	Psalm 49:1-9	Scottish Psalter	Psalm 68:16-20	Scottish Psalter
4	Psalm 49:16-20	Scottish Psalter	Psalm 24:7-10	Scottish Psalter

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School is on at the usual time and the children will go to through to the Hall during the second item of praise.

SERVICES NEXT LORD'S DAY

The services next Lord's Day will be taken by Rev Kenneth Ferguson (11am) and the preacher for the 6pm service is to be confirmed.

PRAYER MEETING AND BIBLE STUDY

The prayer meeting and Bible study will take place on Wednesday **20th May at 7pm in the Church Hall**. Everyone is most welcome and encouraged to attend.

WOMEN FOR MISSION (WFM) COFFEE MORNING – THANK YOU

The WFM group that hosted yesterday's coffee morning in aid of Bethesda would like to thank all those who contributed baking and who came along to support the coffee morning. The fantastic sum of £560 was raised with donations still coming in. Thank you all again.

PRISEIL LADIES CONFERENCE - BOOKINGS NOW OPEN

Priseil Ladies Conference 2026. **Friday 12th June (7:30-9:00pm) and Saturday 13th June 2026 (10am – 4pm)** in the Rev M.A. Macleod Memorial Hall on Kenneth Street. Our guest speaker is Paula Buchel from Guildford in Surrey and the theme is "In His Presence."

'My Presence will go with you, and I will give you rest'. What comforting words these must have been to Moses. God Himself would remain with him, guiding him, and bringing him and the Israelites to a place of rest after years of desert wandering. Few people have encountered God's Presence as dramatically and intimately as Moses did. Come and join us as we explore Moses's remarkable experience of living in God's Presence, increasingly surrendered to God's purposes, and find deeper rest in the constant Presence of the LORD.

We will also hear from a representative from Steadfast Global and learn how living in the presence of God helps the persecuted church.

Donations from the event will be split between Steadfast Global and Women's Aid (Western Isles). Please use the following direct link to the [Priseil Ladies Conference 2026 Booking Form](#)

PICTURE AUCTION

There is an upcoming auction of various Pictures, Paintings, and Photographs etc., being held in the M.A Hall on **Friday 29th May 2026 at 7.30pm**, all proceeds will be shared with the Eilean Siar Food Bank and Moldova.

PROVIDENCE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

We are hiring! Providence Christian school in Stornoway is currently advertising for a Primary Teacher role with part-time hours and flexible days. Please contact us for further information or to request an application pack at office@providencechristian.school.

LEWIS CHRISTIAN EDUCATION ASSOCIATION (LCEA) AGM

You are warmly invited to attend the LCEA Annual General Meeting (AGM), which will take place on Tuesday, 9th June 2026, 7.30pm in the conference room of Stornoway Business Hub. This will be a public meeting, and we encourage all members and supporters to come along. The LCEA operates Providence Christian School in Stornoway.

SHOEBOX APPEAL

Blythswood have provided a leaflet with suggested items that can be pre-collected for the Shoebox Appeal. Please take a leaflet and support this worthy cause.

FOODBANK

The manager of the local foodbank has requested that we supply **men's toiletries** this month.

PRAYER POINTS 11th – 17th MAY 2026

Monday 11th May - Tornagrain

Please pray for wisdom as we begin a new gospel work in Ardersier, where we have recently started a Sunday afternoon/evening service in partnership with Nairn Free Church. Pray that we would plan carefully, move at the right pace, and lay good foundations for future ministry and potentially a future church plant.

Tuesday 12th May - Dunblane

Give thanks for the recent new families who have joined with us. That has very much been an answer to prayer. Please pray that the Lord would help us to serve Him well together as we see to know God better, grow together, and love others here in Dunblane.

Wednesday 13th May - OM

Events, book fairs, and tours are all set to take place on the OM Ship, Logos Hope, during upcoming visits to Edinburgh and Aberdeen in the Summer. The ship is scheduled to dock in Edinburgh from 10th – 19th July, and Aberdeen from 21st July – 5th August as part of their 2026 Waves of Hope, UK tour. Please pray the ship would be used as a catalyst for all that God is already doing through His people in the UK. The vision for Logos Hope's UK tour is to create a sense of encouragement and renewal of the UK Church's response to God's call to make Him known here and around the world, please pray that the Lord would bless this vision.

Thursday 14th May - Dumisani

Pray for the lecturers at Dumisani for Term Two-- Marten, Ikho, Luan, & Wilbert and --- for the tutoring of advanced research & writing and computers with Celia and Sharon. May all lecturers and tutors be given strength and health for their tasks and the love of the Lord to shine through them in all that they do.

Friday 15th May - Dunblane

Please continue to pray for our three F's: families, finances, and future. We pray that the Lord would increase our numbers through sending more families to us (whether they are made up of singles, couples, or with children). We pray that our finances would continue to strength so that we can become an unrestricted charge. We pray that our ministry term can continue into the future beyond 2029.

Saturday 16th May - Tornagrain

Please also pray for provision as we seek to become fully financially sustainable as a young church, having launched in 2023 and become a full church in 2025 - particularly in raising funds for a manse. We are actively pursuing fundraising opportunities for this, and ask that the Lord would provide what is needed in His timing, and grow a spirit of generosity and faithful giving within the congregation too.

Sunday 17th May - Dumisani

Pray for discussions to allow another BTh option at Dumisani Institute, SA as well through Mukhanyo College for students interested in pursuing such.