



CHURCH BULLETIN

SUNDAY 18th June 2023

#### INTRODUCTION

We are a congregation of the <u>Free Church of Scotland</u>. We gather for public worship on the Lord's Day at 12.00noon and at 6.00pm. We use the <u>ESV version of the Bible</u> in the public worship of God. We use both the <u>Scottish Psalter</u> and <u>Sing Psalms</u> 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 <u>here</u>. Our services are livestreamed and available on our <u>You Tube channel</u>.

#### **LORD'S DAY SERVICES**

The I2.00 noon service be taken by Rev Bill Ferguson (Asia Link) and the 6pm service by Rev Roderick | Campbell.

At the 12.00noon service, the scripture reading will be from Isaiah 43.

At the 6.00pm service, the scripture reading will be from Ephesians I with a focus on verses 3-6

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	
_	Psalm 122:1-9	Psalter	Psalm 84:4-10	Psalter
2	Psalm 103:1-5	Psalter	Psalm 65:1-5	Sing Psalms
3	Psalm 107:1-9	Psalter	Psalm 73:23-26	Psalter
4	Psalm 23:1-6	Psalter		

#### **SUNDAY SCHOOL**

Sunday School will be at the usual time today.

#### **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 21st June 2023 at 7.00pm in Bragar.

### KIRK SESSION

There will be a meeting of the Kirk Session on Monday 26th June at 7pm in the Church Hall.

### FREE CHURCH YOUTH CAMPS (FCYC) - STORNOWAY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

FCYC are looking for some volunteer drivers & chaperones in the Stornoway/Lewis area that can chaperone camp attendees to/from the mainland. Details for the journeys where assistance is sought is provided on a sheet at the Church door. If you're able to help, please add your name and details to the sheet and we will pass these details on to the Camps Coordinator.

# **PRESENTATIONS**

On Friday 23rd June at 7.30pm in the MA Macleod Memorial Hall, Stornoway, the High Free Church congregation plans to hold an event marking Rev. Roddy Morrison's 50 years in the ministry and Rev. James Macdonald's 40 years in the ministry. The evening will consist of a short service, followed by presentations to Reverends Morrison and Macdonald and then a time of refreshments. Everyone is warmly invited to attend this evening as we give thanks to God for the ministries of these men and express our appreciation to them for their years of faithful service.

### **BLYTHSWOOD APPEAL.**

On <u>Sat 24th June 9:30am - 12:00 noon</u>, a lorry trailer will be situated at The Nicolson Institute Bus Park, <u>Smith Avenue, Stornoway</u> to receive donations of the following items, (in good condition): clothes, bedding, shoes and new bandages for the work of Blythswood. Donation bags should be marked with details of the contents. Finance donations can be made to Blythswood as follows: Sort code: 80-91-26, Account Number 10413664 and also on the day via donation buckets

Arrangements on the day - Vehicles can drive into the bus park following the one-way system and drop off the donation at the back of the trailer and depart out onto Smith Avenue being careful when joining the main road. Stewards will be on duty.

Our grateful thanks to those who donate and also the volunteers and community organisations who help. Thanks also our to businesses/organisations: DFDS Western Isles, Calmac and Comhairle nan Eilean Siar.

Further information can be obtained from: Anne 07733441017, Nana 07818861637, Jackie 07908207267, DJ 07730377137, Charlie 07717816476, Heather 07764 992906, James 07582 7501005.

# PRAYING FOR ONE ANOTHER (19TH JUNE - 25TH JUNE 2023)

# Monday 19th June

#### Rosskeen

Pray for our hearts to be passionate for Jesus and the Gospel, and that the Lord would make his vision for our church clear. Pray for ongoing work in relation to developing a strategy plan. Pray that we would know a palpable sense of God in our meetings, and that we would see conversions. Give thanks for recent baptisms! 2 babies and one adult.

# **Tuesday 20th June**

## **Board of Ministry**

Please pray for the meeting of the Board of Ministry today. Pray that the Lord would grant wisdom as they seek to make decisions, and guidance as to the vision and direction of the Board.

# Wednesday 21st June

### Kilmallie and Ardnamurchan

We are hoping that Nathan Kish will join us as our minister in training after the summer. Please pray the Lord would prepare him ahead of this new chapter and provide for all that is needed for the move to go ahead.

## Thursday 22nd June

### Mission Board and Board of Trustees

Please pray as two of the boards meet today, and for all the decisions to be made. Pray for the Mission Board, as they review their 5-year strategy, for wisdom and for God to lead the vision, and for the Board of Trustee's as they look after the legal, compliance, and financial areas of the church.

# Friday 23rd June

# Dumisani

Please pray that we would be motivated by the love of Christ to find new ways of reaching out to those around us.

# Saturday 24th June

### Kilmallie and Ardnamurchan

We are looking to renovate our building in Acharacle. Please pray we will identify the right builder and that the work will proceed smoothly.

#### Sunday 25th June

## Rosskeen

Pray for the Capstone Community Church Plant. Pray for good relationships between Rosskeen and NP Connect. Please pray for God's blessing on the preached Word.

# **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).