

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.

18th February 2024



WELCOME TO OUR SERVICE TODAY

Today's services will be taken by Mr Duncan MacPherson, Elder, North Harris Free Church and Rev Calum MacDonald (Interim Moderator). Our services are livestreamed at:

<https://www.youtube.com/@shawbostfreechurchofscotland>

At the **12.00 noon service** the Scripture reading will be from Ephesians Chapter 6 and the service will focus on verses 11-14. At the **6.00pm service**, the Scripture reading will be from 1 Corinthians 11:17 – 34 and the sermon will focus on verse 24 and is entitled *This Do in Remembrance of Me*. 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	
1	Psalm 1	Scottish Psalter	Psalm 95:1-7	Scottish Psalter
2	Psalm 130	Scottish Psalter	Psalm 45(ii):1-5	Scottish Psalter
3	Psalm 20:5-9	Scottish Psalter	Psalm 22:23-29	Sing Psalms
4	Psalm 45(i):3-6	Scottish Psalter	Psalm 118:24-29	Scottish Psalter

SUNDAY SCHOOL

There will be no Sunday School today due to the school holidays.

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be dispensed in the congregation next Lord's Day 25th February 2024 (DV). The programme of services will be as follows:

Thursday February 22 nd	Gaelic at 7.00pm	Bragar	Rev Calum Macdonald
Friday February 23 rd	English at 7.00pm	Church	Rev Calum Macdonald
Saturday February 24 th	English at 12noon	Church	Rev Calum Macdonald
	Prayer meeting - 6pm	Church Hall	Elders
Lord's Day 25th February	English at 11.30am	Church	Rev Calum Macdonald
	English at 6.00pm	Church	Rev Calum Macdonald
	Fellowship in Church Hall after evening service		

WEEKLY PRAYER MEETING AND BIBLE STUDY

The weekly prayer meeting and Bible study on **Wednesday 21st February at 7pm** will take place in Bragar. Everyone is most welcome and encouraged to attend.

DEACONS' COURT

There will be a meeting of the Deacons' Court **immediately following the prayer meeting on Wednesday 21st February.**

SOLAS

SOLAS are making a return trip to Lewis with the dates scheduled for Thursday 18th to Monday 22nd April. Andy Bannister and the new Scottish rep for Solas Steve Osmond are travelling up and an outline programme is taking shape. There will be a Confident Christianity event on the Saturday afternoon (likely in Stornoway) as well as the opportunity for a ministers/elders session with them on Friday 19th 10am-12 noon. Please mark in diaries as this will undoubtedly be to our benefit. More info to follow shortly.

PROVIDENCE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL: PART-TIME TEACHER ADVERT

Providence Christian School are seeking a Part-Time Teacher to join the team, and there are also vacancies for volunteers. For more information about the posts, please get in touch by email at office@providencechristian.school

SOUTH HARRIS COMMUNION SCHEDULE

Friday February 23 rd	Gaelic	12noon	Rev Donald J Morrison
	English	7.00pm	Rev Andrew Coghill
Saturday February 24 th	Prayer Meeting	12noon	Elders
	English	7.00pm	Rev Colin Macleod
Lord's Day 25th February	English	12noon	Rev Colin Macleod
	English	6.00pm	Rev Colin Macleod
	Fellowship in Church Hall after evening service		

PRAYER POINTS 19TH FEBRUARY - 25TH FEBRUARY 2024

Monday 19th February - Turkey

Pray for a Turkish couple involved in an outreach ministry to business-people who have a shortfall in their funding. Ask the Lord to provide for their needs, and to support them during this time of testing.

Tuesday 20th February - Assynt & Eddrachillis

Pray for God's strength for all mature and new believers as we seek to be disciples of His Word.

Wednesday 21st February - UFM

Rev. Ruairidh MacLean (Area Director based in Scotland - UFM Worldwide): Pray that the Lord would stir a passion for mission in the church and that individual churches would seek to identify those called to serve in mission, to play their part in sending workers out into God's harvest. Please pray that the Lord would use me to encourage churches in their engagement with mission. Please also pray for me in my ongoing preparations for the Scottish Day Conference, 20th April. More information at: ufm.org.uk/events

Thursday 22nd February - Turkey

The Timothy Project is developing Bible Study materials for use by women's groups in churches in the area. Pray for blessing on this work too.

Friday 23rd February - Assynt and Eddrachillis

Pray for those attending who do not yet know Jesus Christ as their Lord and Saviour. Pray that they will fully trust in Him.

Saturday 24th February - Turkey

It is one year since a massive earthquake devastated the south of Turkey. Pray for those who are still traumatised and suffering in various ways, and for all the efforts by churches and other organisations to help the people of the region.

Sunday 25th February - Abbeygreen

Pray for our weekly ministries, that they would be a means of building relationships with the local community and that it might be a means of opening up gospel opportunities with the people who come along.

THE MIGHTY MEN OF PRAYER OF THE PROTESTANT REFORMATION

JOHN CALVIN (1509-1564): *Let us learn therefore in a word, that if we will pray to God aright, we must know what His will is, and to understand that, we must know what He hath showed us in His Word; we must frame ourselves to it, we must hear what He saith unto us, and compass all our requests according to His will, and rest ourselves upon His promises. And then let us not doubt, but when we shall call upon Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, we shall feel that our prayers shall not be in vain, nor unprofitable.*