

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 19th June 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

Guest Preacher – The 12.00noon service this Lord's Day will be taken by Rev. Calum M. Smith. The sermon will be based on Mark 10:13-31. The title of the sermon will be '*One Thing Missing...*'

We give Calum Murdo a warm welcome today and assure him that our prayers are with him and his family as he prepares to be inducted as Assistant Minister at Stornoway.

The 6.00pm service will be taken by the Minister. The sermon will be based on Acts 8:26-40 and the title of the sermon will be '*A Pattern for Personal Salvation.*'

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 43:1-5	Psalter (264)	Psalm 86:1-8	Psalter (340)
2	Psalm 49:1-9	Psalter (274)	Psalm 87:1-7	Psalter (342)
3	Psalm 27:4-6	Sing Psalms (32)	Psalm 67:1-7 (SM)	Psalter (300)

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

A pre-recorded 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 on the Twilio service, accessed by dialling 0131 510 2471.

Note

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.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Sunday School will meet this Lord's Day with the usual arrangements in place.

Sunday School Outing

The Sunday School Outing will take place this Saturday, 25th June 2022, at the Shawbost School. This will be a Congregational Outing, and all are invited to join with the children, their parents, and the teachers, to share in an informal time of fun, food and fellowship. Mr Matty Guy will commence his six-week ministry placement in the congregation on Sunday 26th June 2022. The Outing will provide an opportunity to meet Matty, his wife Jody, and their new baby boy, Billy.

Sunday School Prize-giving

The Sunday School Prizegiving will take place at the close of the 12.00noon service next Lord's Day, 26th June 2022, in line with our recent practice. All parents and children are encouraged to attend the service and the prizegiving.

STUDENT PLACEMENT

As previously announced, Mr Matty Guy will be working in the congregation for six weeks under the Students' Placement Scheme organised by ETS as part of training for the ministry. Matty has just completed the third year

of his four-year course, and this is his second and final placement in preparation for the ministry. He is originally from Northern Ireland but resident in St Andrews since 2016.

This second placement is normally undertaken in a vacant congregation. Along with the requirement for Matty to undertake this Placement, the main purpose of it is to free up the Minister's time to enable him to work on various tasks arising from the decisions of the General Assembly. For these two reasons, Matty will carry out all the ministerial and pastoral tasks of the Minister for the duration of the Placement under the oversight of the Minister and the Kirk Session.

Matty is due to arrive in Shawbost on Friday 24th June with his wife Jody and their new-born baby Billy. They will be staying in Lòn Gorm, North Shawbost, during their time with us. Matty will commence his Placement by taking the services on Sunday 26th June. We pray for their safe arrival and for the Lord to bless and enrich Matty and his family during their time with us in the service of the Lord.

SPONSOR A CAMP

The 2022 Free Church Youth Camps (FCYC) programme offers eleven camps in four different locations across the country. As well as taking part in various activities, games and challenges, campers will learn more about the Bible and its relevance to their lives. The costs of running the Camps Programme have risen significantly in recent months and this has brought its own challenges to the organisers and leaders.

The FCYC organisers operates an 'adopt a camp' scheme. Adopting a camp means that the congregation is given a specific camp to keep in touch with between now and when the camp runs. One of the camp leaders will provide updates for prayer, and you can contact the leader to let them know you're praying and to encourage them. Participating congregations may also make a donation to their adopted camp to help cover leaders' costs or other things, either from church funds or from a fundraising event.

The Deacons Court has agreed to 'adopt' the Renfrew Junior Camp, which runs for a week from Saturday 16th July, and which is for S1-S3 Girls. The Deacons Court also agreed to make a donation of £500 to help cover the costs of this Camp and a fundraising event will be organised in support of this. Katie Gillies is one of the leaders at this Camp and we are delighted that she is taking on this role of sharing her faith and leading others through the ministry of the camps.

PRAYER MEETING & BIBLE STUDY

The weekly Prayer and Bible Study Meeting will take place on Wednesday 22nd June 2022 at 7.00pm in the Bragar Meeting Hall.

DEACONS COURT

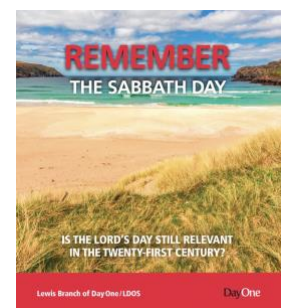
The Deacons Court will meet on Wednesday 22nd June 2022 in Bragar immediately after the Prayer Meeting.

REMEMBER THE SABBATH DAY

The Lewis Branch of Day One (LDOS) has commissioned the publication of a new book on the Lord's Day. The book is entitled '*Remember the Sabbath Day – Is the Lord's Day still relevant in the twenty-first century?*' There are seven chapters in the book contributed by seven different ministers from across the Island Church community.

The observance of the Christian Sabbath is in decline and the importance of it to the Christian community and the wider world cannot be over emphasised. The observance of the Lord's Day as the Christian Sabbath is key to the general health and wellbeing of humankind and to the spiritual wellbeing of the children of God. This Book helps to remind us of the basic truths underlying the Sabbath day and is a great source of information to help us rediscover what the Bible says about the Lord's Day.

The Book is priced at £6.00. A limited number of copies are available at the door today at the reduced price of £5.00 each. If you wish to buy a copy, please put your name on the sheet provided and bring payment for the book in an envelope marked with your name and the title of the book – Remember the Sabbath Day. If we run out of copies today, you can still leave your name and address. More copies are readily available and can be picked up next Lord's Day.



UKRAINE APPEAL – CAR BOOT SALE

Blythswood are holding a Car Boot Sale for Ukraine in the Nicolson Institute Arches at the Nicolson Bus Park on Saturday 25th June 2022 from 10.30am to 12.30pm. Parking will be available at the Smith Avenue Car Park. If you have bric-a-brac, or any stuff lying around the house unused, you can take part in Car Boot Sale by booking a car boot pitch to help Ukraine by 20th June. To book a pitch for your family, school or church, contact Charlie on 07717 816476 or Anne on 07733 441017.

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

Trotternish

Give thanks to God for the appointment of Rev. Nigel Anderson as minister to the congregation. Ask God to bless the ministry there and that the Anderson family would settle in well.

Tuesday

Matt and Maria

The biggest obstacle for Matt at the moment in progressing with ministry is moving to a more advanced level of Greek, please pray it would improve steadily to a higher level (and for patience!)

Wednesday

Healthy Gospel Church

Pray for our churches - that we'll be committed to the worship of God and obedience to the Bible.

Thursday

Pairc

Give thanks to God for the recent Tent Mission held in the community and ask God to continue to bless the ministry there.

Friday

Dumisani Theological Institute

Pray for a new roof on the office building at Dumisani Theological Institute and for funds to continue to be raised for the total completion of this project which is necessary to avoid more damage due to multiple leaks. Work has begun this month and we trust and pray it will all be finished before more heavy rain.

Saturday

Turkey

A Turkish ministry providing theological training has discovered serious problems with the building they have been using. Pray that these would be dealt with without causing too much disruption to their work.

Sunday

Rosskeen Free Church

Thank God that we were able to appoint two new elders this month and pray that God would bless them in their new role in serving him. Pray for NP500 Church Planting Project as it settles in, and we work alongside them.