INTRODUCTION

We are a congregation of the Free Church of Scotland. We gather for public worship on the Lord's Day at 12.00noon and at 6.00pm. We use the ESV version of the Bible in the public worship of God. We use both the Scottish Psalter and Sing Psalms 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>.

SUNDAY SERVICES

The 12.00noon service will be taken by Mr Thomson Mackenzie, Minister in Training. The sermon title is 'Are You Ready' and is based on Luke 12:32-47.

The 6.00pm service will be taken by Rev Thomas Davies. The sermon will be based on John 2:1-12.

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	
Т	Psalm 93	Scottish Psalter	Psalm 98:1-4	Sing Psalms
2	Psalm 23	Scottish Psalter	Psalm 37:3-7	Scottish Psalter
3	Psalm 108:1-6	Scottish Psalter	Psalm 36:5-9	Sing Psalms
4	Psalm 27:9b-14	Sing Psalms		

English Services

The English services in the Church at 12.00noon and 6.00pm will be live streamed on our **YouTube Channel** <u>here</u>. 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 <u>here</u>.

Gaelic Service

The ongoing arrangements for the availability of Gaelic sermons on the Sermon Audio Page and on YouTube is under review and any changes going forward will be announced in due course.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Sunday School will meet as usual this Lord's Day. We pray the Lord's blessing on our parents and children under the ministry and teaching of God's Word.

HARVEST THANKSGIVING

The Presbytery has appointed Harvest Thanksgiving to be observed on Thursday 24th November 2022 or on a date during that week that suits local arrangements. Following the practice in recent years, the Harvest Thanksgiving Service will take place on the evening of the weekly prayer meeting, <u>Wednesday 23rd November</u> 2022, in the Church Hall. This date falls during the Minister's holiday and Mr Donald Morrison has kindly agreed to take the Thanksgiving Service in the Minister's absence.

SERVICES NEXT LORD'S DAY

The Minister will be on holiday for ten days from Monday 14th November and then helping with preaching supply in North Uist on Sunday 27th November. The services next Lord's Day will be taken as follows in his absence:

	12.00noon Service	6.00pm Service
Sun 27 th November	Mr Gordon Macleod, North Harris	Rev. George MacAskill

CONDOLENCES

It was with sadness we learned of the passing of Morag Macleod, Labost, 14 South Bragar. We remember her husband lain as he grieves over the loss of his dear wife. We remember Kenneth, lain, Joan Katherine and Erica, along with their respective families, as they mourn the loss of a loving mother, mother-in-law, and grandmother. We also remember Angus as he mourns the loss of a sister. We assure them all, and the extended family, of our prayers and trust that they will know God's comfort.

PROVIDENCE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL PRAYER MEETING

All are warmly invited to a prayer meeting at Providence Christian School this Monday 21st November at 7.30pm. Rev. Jonathan Baxter (Stornoway APC) will lead the meeting and there will be a time of fellowship afterwards over a cup of tea. For those unable to join in person, a Teams option is available.

FREE CHURCH – DAY OF PRAYER

The Free Church Mission Board has organised a Free Church of Scotland Day of Prayer to be held across the Church on Wednesday 30th November.

This year, prayer points will focus on the Free Church's vision for a Healthy Gospel Church for Every Community in Scotland. This vision is not something that can be achieved by a central organisation. This is about all of us working together, to see God's church become increasingly healthy right across Scotland and beyond. It is an invitation to every congregation, minister, member and adherent to recommit themselves to grow healthy in their own Christian lives and in their life together as a church. It is about asking people to think how God's church can be more effective in making and growing disciples.

The Day of Prayer gives many the opportunity to gather in the privilege of prayer across the entire nation. Prayer points will include revitalising churches, planting new churches, supporting church leaders, recruiting and training ministers among a number of other aspects. Information and resources are available on the Free Church website <u>here</u>.

MISSION APPEAL | GLASGOW CITY MISSION

In aid of The Glasgow City Mission Christmas Appeal for the Homeless in Glasgow, coordinated locally by Stornoway High Free Church.

Requested this year by the Glasgow City Mission: finance donations and vouchers for stores such as Boots, Superdrug, Coop, Tesco, Argos, Costa Coffee, TK Maxx and Primark. These can be acquired from shops in Stornoway.

The drop off point is the Stornoway library community room (across from Roddy Smiths paper shop) at the following times:

FRIDAY 2nd December 2:00-4:00pm SATURDAY 3rd December 11:00-3:30pm (Please use the hand sanitizer available).

For further information contact Ian Smith, Ian McLeman 07985223078, Norman Maciver 07741007617, Charlie Nicolson 07717816476, Craig Parkes 07578168900 (Grateful thanks to Macleod & Buchanan, CNES Libray Staff and AM Training LTD). Thank you.

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 14th November

Tain and Fearn

Pray for the outreach to Mansefield Estate. With other local Christians, we meet at the Hub every Friday night and just pray for the residents, be a presence and interact with anyone who comes and speaks with us.

Tuesday 15th November

Matthew and Maria Lingard, Athens

Praise God for the prayers He has answered, and the knowledge He is working all things for good for those who love Him. There are still some aspects of The Good News that are a stumbling block to Ronnie, so we would really value your prayers that the seeds of God's kingdom which have been sown would find rich deep soil, and for God's continued provision for work and housing.

Wednesday 16th November IMJP

LONDON: During her door-to-door ministry, Ida Tam met Alice, an elderly Jewish woman who wants to read the Bible. As Ida meets with her and shares God's Word, please pray that Alice will come to meet Jesus in a true and saving way.

Thursday 17th November Matthew and Maria Lingard, Athens

Please continue to pray for Omid in prison, and for Z & Z in their need. Also please pray that the younger guys of the Refugee group who don't speak much English or Greek would be willing and confident to attend and confide in us.

Friday 18th November

Osamu and Mairi, Japan

Harp concert is planned on 18th of November. Catherine Porter, a Wec. missionary, is to play at it. She came to Tohoku just after the Tsunami of 2011 and has been serving the Lord in Miyagi-ken till now. She also has a great testimony of God's protection on her life. Pray that people will come and hear the good news of Christ.

Saturday 19th November

Tain and Fearn

Pray on for our New Church Project. There have been some major encouragements throughout this past year, however, with the price of materials escalating, the project cost has risen as well. Pray that we would continue to be encouraged and also see work beginning on the ground.

Sunday 20th November IMJP

HUNGARY: Bogi Kozma has been reaching out to Jasmine, a Jewish woman who suffers from depression and finds it difficult to meet people. Please pray for Jasmine's salvation and for Bogi as she faithfully continues to share the gospel with her.