

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.

23rd August 2026



WELCOME TO OUR SERVICES TODAY

Today's services in will be taken by **Rev. Florian Weicken**.

11.00am & 6pm Services - Bragar Rev. Florian Weicken			
Scripture reading: Genesis 37,12-36 Sermon Title: <i>Joseph's nightmare</i>		Scripture reading: Psalms 37 Sermon Title: Don't be enraged because of evildoers	
Psalms 121	Scottish Psalter	Psalms 97,1-9	Sing Psalms
Psalms 94,14-20	Sing Psalms	Psalms 9,7-12	Sing Psalms
Psalms 43,3-5	Scottish Psalter	Psalms 37,1-6	Scottish Psalter
Psalms 22,1-5	Sing Psalms	Psalms 37,7-11	Scottish Psalter

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School is on at the usual time this morning, and the children can go to the session room at the back of the hall, during the second item of praise.

SERVICES NEXT LORD'S DAY

The services for **next Lord's Day** will be taken by **Rev. Florian Weicken**. The services will be at the usual times of **11.00am and 6.00pm in Bragar**.

PRAYER MEETING AND BIBLE STUDY

The prayer meeting and Bible study will take place on **Wednesday 26th August at 7pm** in Bragar. Everyone is most welcome and encouraged to attend.

WOMEN FOR MISSION

Will meet in the **Manse on Thursday 27th August at 7pm**. We expect **Muriel MacLeod** (OMF – Cambodia) to be our speaker. All very welcome.

SAFEGUARDING

Office-bearers who are due to do the training refresher course are reminded of the meeting on **Thursday 27th August at 7.30pm**. Venue is the church hall.

PREACHING SUPPLY LIST

30th August	11am & 6pm	Rev. Florian Weicken
3rd - 6th September	Rev. Malcolm Maclean (Retired) Gaelic Service - Thu 3rd Sept – TBC	

INDUCTION – PARK FREE CHURCH (Gravir)

The Ordination and Induction of **Rev Scott Macleod** to the charge of **Park Free Church** will take place on **Tuesday 25th August 2026 at 7.00 pm**, subject to the successful completion of ordination trials. The service to be taken by Rev Colin Macleod and a reception will follow in the Caberfeidh Hotel at 9.00pm. All are warmly invited.

REFLECTIONS AFTERNOON TEA – COURTEOUS COURAGE

Sat 5th Sept, 2-4pm at Back Free Church. Email ministryforwomenbroadbay@gmail.com to reserve a place.

SCHEDULE OF COMMUNION SERVICES

Stornoway Free Church				
Day & Time		Service	Venue	Preacher
Wed 26th Aug	7.30pm	English	Seminary	Rev. Calum M. Smith
Thu 27th Aug	7.30pm	Gaelic	Seminary	Rev Calum Macdonald
Fri 28th Aug	7.30pm	English	Church	Rev. Thomas Davis
	7.30pm	Gaelic	Seminary	Rev. Iain Thomson
Sat 29th Aug	11am	Gaelic	Seminary	Rev. Iain Thomson
	7pm	English	Church	Rev. David Strain
Sun 30th Aug	11am	English	Church	Rev. David Strain
	11am	Gaelic	Seminary	Rev. Iain Thomson
	7pm	English	Church	Rev. Thomas Davis
High Free Church				
Tuesday 25th August 2026				
Praise /Testimony Evening - 7.30pm Fáilte (Retirement) Centre, Bayhead		Mrs Alice Mackenzie, Mr Michael Stone and Mr Finlay Stewart sharing about the Lord's work in their lives.		
Thursday 27th August 2026				
Gaelic - 7.30pm Fáilte (Retirement) Centre, Bayhead		Rev. Alistair Macaulay (Tain and Fearn)		
Saturday 29th August 2026				
English - 7.30pm Sandwick Hall		Rev. Colin Macleod		
Lord's Day 30th August 2026				
English Communion Service – 11am Sandwick Hall		Rev. Colin Macleod		
English - 6.30pm Seminary				
A fellowship will be held after the Lord's Day evening service where Rev. Macleod will share about the Lord's work in his life. All welcome to attend.				

PRAYER POINTS

Sunday 23rd August

Open Doors: China

Pray for Open Doors partners in China and other countries as they support, strengthen and love the underground church.

Q. 87. What is repentance unto life?

A. Repentance unto life is a saving grace, by which a sinner, being truly aware of his sinfulness, understands the mercy of God in Christ, grieves for and hates his sins, and turns from them to God, fully intending and striving for a new obedience.

Q. 97. What is the right way to receive the Lord's Supper?

A. The right way to receive the Lord's Supper is to examine whether we discern the Lord's body, whether our faith feeds on Him, and whether we have repentance, love, and a new obedience – so that we may not come in the wrong way and eat and drink judgement on ourselves.

Source: The Westminster Shorter Catechism in Modern English

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