

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.

24th November 2024



WELCOME TO OUR SERVICE TODAY

Today's services will be taken by Mr Tam MacLennan (12noon) and Mr Joe MacPhee (6pm). Our services are livestreamed at: <https://www.youtube.com/@shawbostfreechurchofscotland>

At the **12.00 noon service**, the Scripture readings will be from Genesis 3 and Matthew 3:13-4:11. The sermon will focus on Matthew 4:10-11 and is entitled *Be Gone Satan*.

At the **6.00pm service**, the Scripture reading will be from the book of Psalms and Chapter 51. The sermon will focus on verse 3.

	12.00 Noon Service		6.00pm Service	
1	Ps 95:1-6	Scottish Psalter, Pg 357	Ps 143(ii)6-8	Scottish Psalter, Pg 439
2	Ps 91:9-13	Scottish Psalter, Pg 352	Ps 51:1-12	Sing Psalms, Pg 67
3	Ps 17:13-15	Sing Psalms, Pg 19	Ps 51:17-19	Scottish Psalter, Pg 282
4	Ps 16:1-6	Sing Psalms, Pg 17	-	-

SUNDAY SCHOOL

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

SERVICES NEXT LORD'S DAY

The Services next Lord's Day will be taken by Rev James Maciver (12noon) and Rev Calum MacDonald (6pm),

GAELIC SERVICE – 1st DECEMBER 2024

The Gaelic Service next Lord's Day evening in Bragar at 6pm will be taken by Rev James Maciver.

SATURDAY NIGHT PRAYER MEETING

All are welcome to an informal prayer meeting in the Manse at 7pm on Saturday evenings.

PRAYER MEETING – 2024 NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

The prayer meeting will take place on **Wednesday 27th November at 7pm in the Church Hall**. This is the denomination's National Day of Prayer for 2024. Do join us in prayer as we look at the four key areas: local churches, the nation, the life of our nation, and our world. There are resources to help you lead a time of prayer and these can be found on the congregation website - <https://shawbostfreechurch.org/national-day-of-prayer-2024-resources/>

Please note prayer points have been compiled to cover various aspects of the church, nation and society. This list is neither exhaustive nor prescriptive, so please feel free to choose some of, or add your own prayer points in as you feel appropriate.

Online Prayer Meeting: Wednesday 27th November

Everyone is invited to join a central prayer time on Microsoft Team led by Free Church Moderator Rev Callum Macleod on Wednesday 27th November at 12.30pm. Over the 30-minute time together, there will be a time of devotion followed by the opportunity to pray about a number of items. Please note, there are unlimited spaces on the online Teams call, so do join us to pray!

[JOIN THE MEETING HERE BY CLIKING THIS LINK](#) or by using the following information:

Meeting ID: 311 939 941 040 Passcode: PFggZp

PROVIDENCE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL - ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The AGM of the Lewis Christian Education Association (which operates Providence Christian School) will take place on **Monday 25th November at 7.30pm at the Fire Station at Robertson Road**. All are very welcome to attend.

PRAYING FOR ONE ANOTHER - 25th November - 30th of November 2024

Monday 25th November

Paisley

Please pray for Paisley, that Gospel work would begin again there. Pray that the Lord would provide the right church planter, and that He would make a clear path to see ministry once again.

Tuesday 26th November

Sashko, Poland

Please pray for wisdom in the deacon selection process. Pray God would provide more local men to be raised up for church leadership.

Wednesday 27th November

National Day of Prayer

Pray as we are called to prayer as a denomination, that the Lord would hear our prayers and be at work in our nation. Pray that many people would join in prayer at 12.30 during the lunchtime prayer call. For more information on the day of prayer, please see the Free Church website. <https://freechurch.org/prayer/>

Thursday 28th November

Mission Board

Please pray for the Mission Board as they meet today, that the Lord would lead and guide all decisions made. Pray as they consider decisions regarding congregations, church plants and global partners, that they would be granted wisdom. Please pray for the work of the Mission Board.

Friday 29th November

Sashko, Poland

Pray for continued unity among our current leadership team. Pray also for spiritual fruit from our study of Abraham's life.

Saturday 30th November

Desable (PEI Western Charge)

Please pray for our brothers and sisters in the Desable congregation, that they would be strengthened and sustained in the gospel. Pray as the Word is faithfully preached many lives would be shaped and transformed by the gospel.

Sunday 1st December

Sashko, Poland

Please pray for grace and wisdom as we continue learning to be parents while serving the church.

THE LARGER CATECHISM

Q. 17. How did God create man?

A. After God had made all other creatures, he created man, male and female; formed the body of the man of the dust of the ground, and the woman of the rib of the man; endued them with living, reasonable, and immortal souls; made them after his own image, in knowledge, righteousness and holiness, having the law of God written in their hearts and power to fulfill it, with dominion over the creatures; yet subject to fall.

[Gen. 1:27](#); [Gen. 2:7](#); [Gen. 2:22](#); [Gen. 2:7](#); [Job 35:11](#); [Ecc. 12:7](#); [Matt. 10:28](#); [Luke 23:43](#); [Gen. 1:27](#); [Col. 3:10](#); [Eph. 4:24](#); [Rom. 2:14-15](#); [Ecc. 7:29](#); [Gen. 1:28](#); [Gen. 3:6](#); [Ecc. 7:29](#).

"The best antidote for anxiety is frequent meditation upon God's goodness, power and sufficiency....Nothing is too big and nothing is too little to spread before and cast upon the Lord." (AW Pink)

"All the cunning of the devil is exercised in trying to tear us away from the Word" (Martin Luther)