

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 May 2026



WELCOME TO OUR SERVICES TODAY

Today's services will be taken by Rev Kenneth Ferguson (11.00am) and Rev Calum MacDonald (6.00pm).

At the **11.00am** service, the Scripture reading will be 2 Timothy, Chapter 3.

At the **6.00pm** service, the Scripture reading will be Mark 7:24-37. The sermon will focus on verses 31-37 and is entitled *Healing of the Deaf and Dumb Man*.

| | 11.00am Service | | 6.00pm Service | |
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| 1 | Psalm 1(a):1-6 | Sing Psalms | Psalm 103:1-7 | Scottish Psalter |
| 2 | Psalm 43:1-5 | Scottish Psalter | Psalm 34:11-18 | Scottish Psalter |
| 3 | Psalm 119:89-96 | Scottish Psalter | Psalm 40:1-5 | Scottish Psalter |
| 4 | Psalm 119:97-104 | Scottish Psalter | Psalm 107:15-20 | Scottish Psalter |

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School is on at the usual time and the children will go to through to the Hall during the second item of praise.

SERVICES NEXT LORD'S DAY

The services next Lord's Day will be taken by Mr Donald MacAulay.

PRAYER MEETING AND BIBLE STUDY

The prayer meeting and Bible study will take place on Wednesday **27th May at 7pm in Bragar**. Everyone is most welcome and encouraged to attend.

WOMEN FOR MISSION (WFM)

The WFM will meet on **Thursday at 7pm in the Church Hall**. We expect Catherine MacDonald from Safe Families to be our speaker.

BEREAVEMENTS

It is with sadness we note the passing of Mary I Martin ("Mary Bell") late of Heatherhill, Barvas (and formerly 54 South Bragar). The funeral will take place from Bragar Mission House at 3pm with the **service commencing at 2.30pm**

We also note with sadness the passing of Noman Neil Mackay ("Whitehead"), 3 North Bragar.

We remember both families in prayer at this time.

DEACONS' COURT

There will be a meeting of the Deacons' Court on **Wednesday 3rd June** immediately following the prayer meeting in the Church Hall.

PRESBYTERY PRAISE NIGHT

All are warmly invited to join us for a Praise Night organised by the Western Isles Presbytery on **Friday 5th June 2026** in Barvas Free Church at **7.30pm**. This will be an evening of English and Gaelic psalm singing and will include a short address from Rev. David MacLeod, North Harris Free Church. Tea, coffee, and refreshments will be served afterwards.

"The ascension is the coronation of the King"

C.H. Spurgeon

PRISEIL LADIES CONFERENCE - BOOKINGS NOW OPEN

Priseil Ladies Conference 2026. **Friday 12th June (7:30-9:00pm)** and **Saturday 13th June 2026 (10am – 4pm)** in the Rev M.A. Macleod Memorial Hall on Kenneth Street. Our guest speaker is Paula Buchel from Guildford in Surrey and the theme is "In His Presence."

'My Presence will go with you, and I will give you rest'. What comforting words these must have been to Moses. God Himself would remain with him, guiding him, and bringing him and the Israelites to a place of rest after years of desert wandering. Few people have encountered God's Presence as dramatically and intimately as Moses did. Come and join us as we explore Moses's remarkable experience of living in God's Presence, increasingly surrendered to God's purposes, and find deeper rest in the constant Presence of the LORD.

We will also hear from a representative from Steadfast Global and learn how living in the presence of God helps the persecuted church.

Donations from the event will be split between Steadfast Global and Women's Aid (Western Isles).

Please use the following direct link to the [Priseil Ladies Conference 2026 Booking Form](#)

PICTURE AUCTION

There is an upcoming auction of various Pictures, Paintings, and Photographs etc., being held in the M.A. Hall on Friday 29th May 2026 at 7.30pm, all proceeds will be shared with the Eilean Siar Food Bank and Moldova.

PRAYER POINTS 18th – 24th MAY 2026

Monday 18th May - General Assembly

Please pray for as the General Assembly begins today, that God would grant wisdom to each of the commissioners as they discuss and decide on matters, and that there would be a spirit of unity and harmony. Please pray for Rev. Calum Iain MacLeod as Moderator, and please pray that in all things God would be glorified.

Tuesday 19th May - Open Doors - Arise Africa

Please pray for the estimated 16 million displaced Christians across sub-Saharan Africa, that God would provide safety, shelter, and hope for those forced to flee violence and persecution.

Wednesday 20th May - Free Church Youth Camps

Please pray for the Camps Team, leaders, cooks, and volunteers as they prepare for the summer camps. Pray that God would bless their preparations and give them wisdom, energy, and encouragement as they serve young people and share God's Word faithfully. young people would grow in faith, friendship, and understanding of the gospel. Pray for the young people attending, that they would grow in faith, friendship, and understanding of the gospel.

Thursday 21st May - Open Doors

Please pray that churches and believers across Africa would be strengthened to continue faithfully proclaiming Christ and supporting those affected by conflict and displacement.

Friday 22nd May - Govanhill

Please pray that God would use the church's ministry to bring spiritual renewal in Govanhill, and that many people from all backgrounds would come to know Jesus.

Saturday 23rd May - Open Doors

Please pray that leaders and authorities would act with justice and compassion to protect vulnerable communities and work towards lasting peace in regions affected by violence against Christians.

Sunday 24th May - Govanhill

Please pray that the congregation would be strengthened to share the gospel faithfully across the community, and God would continue providing opportunities for building meaningful relationships, and demonstrating Christ's love each day.

"The sight of Christ is the strength of the soul"

Thomas Watson