



CHURCH BULLETIN

SUNDAY 25<sup>th</sup> June 2023

#### INTRODUCTION

We are a congregation of the <u>Free Church of Scotland</u>. We gather for public worship on the Lord's Day at 12.00noon and at 6.00pm. We use the <u>ESV version of the Bible</u> in the public worship of God. We use both the <u>Scottish Psalter</u> and <u>Sing Psalms</u> 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>. Our services are livestreamed and available on our <u>You Tube channel</u>.

#### **LORD'S DAY SERVICES**

Both services today will be taken by the Minster whom we welcome back following a period of leave.

At the **12.00noon service**, the scripture readings will be from Romans 12:9-21 and 1 Peter 3:8-12. The sermon title is Responsibilities & Rewards in Community Life.

At the **6.00pm service**, the scripture reading will be from Psalm 65:1-13. The sermon title is *Forgiveness & The Reorientation of Life*.

The praise will be led by our precentor(s) and the Psalms for this Lord's Day are as follows:

	I 2.00 Noon Service		6.00pm Service	
I	Psalm 94:1-9	Psalter	Psalm 32:1-5	Psalter
2	Psalm 112:1-6	Psalter	Psalm 25:4-13	Sing Psalms
3	Psalm 11:3-7	Sing Psalms	Psalm 103:1-5	Psalter
4	Psalm 34:11-16	Sing Psalms		

#### **SUNDAY SCHOOL**

Sunday School will be at the usual time today. The annual prizegiving will take place in the Church, with the congregation, at the close of the Noon service.

## **SERVICES NEXT LORD'S DAY**

The services next Lord's Day will be taken by the Minister.

### PRAYER MEETING AND BIBLE STUDY

The Prayer and Bible Study Meeting will take place on Wednesday 28th June 2023 at 7.00pm in the Church Hall.

#### **KIRK SESSION**

There will be a meeting of the Kirk Session on **Monday 26th June at 7pm** in the Church Hall.

## FREE CHURCH YOUTH CAMPS (FCYC) - STORNOWAY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

FCYC are looking for some volunteer drivers & chaperones in the Stornoway/Lewis area that can chaperone camp attendees to/from the mainland. Details for the journeys where assistance is sought is provided on a sheet at the Church door. If you're able to help, please add your name and details to the sheet and we will pass these details on to the Camps Coordinator.

#### **SUNDAY SCHOOL OUTING**

For this year's Sunday School Outing, we have booked the hall at Spors Nis for Thursday 29 June from 5pm to 8pm. We will also have the ten pin bowling lanes from 6om to 8pm. For food and refreshments, we have arranged takeaway pizza from The Breakwater restaurant. Donations of baking also gratefully received. Parents, grandparents, aunties, uncles, etc are all very welcome! Please let Lynn Hebditch know by Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June if you can attend, advise any dietary requirements and any transport requirements.

#### **GAELIC SERVICE**

The Gaelic Service in **Bragar on 2 July at 6pm** will be taken by Rev Kenneth Ferguson.

# PRAYING FOR ONE ANOTHER (26th June - 2nd July 2023)

#### Monday 26th June

## Ferintosh and Resolis

Give thanks for a growing congregation and pray for the Bite and Blether monthly coffee morning reaching out to the area around the Ferintosh church. Give thanks for access to the local schools at Resolis, Culbokie, Kinkell and Mulbuie.

## Tuesday 27th June

## Richard and Barbara, a European City

Pray for Sammy that the Word of God that he has heard many times over the last decade would not be forgotten but would become increasingly relevant and would bear fruit. He is a teenager moving and he is not happy about this family decision. His mother's visa application to come and visit him and us has been refused. Pray for the extended family, here in the islands that the gospel would be at work.

## Wednesday 28th June

#### St. Peter's Dundee

Please pray that the congregation would be strengthened and encouraged by the weekly preaching of the word. Pray that hearts would grow in love for the gospel.

# Thursday 29th June

# Osamu and Mairi, Japan

Praise the Lord for an answer to your prayers for the concert of last November. Mrs. Tsutsumi who wrote after the concert that she would like to study Bible came to the church service in May. She also came to the Bible study on I 4th June. Pray that the Lord will open her eyes to see the Lord Jesus as her personal Savior. She looks after her husband who's been ill for the last 6 years.

## Friday 30th June

### Richard and Barbara, a European City

Pray for Billy, that he would keep his job, keep out of trouble and that we would hear the gospel. Billy has been in prison several times but now has a job and is getting married. We see his mother, Amanda, and his brothers and sisters regularly and share with them. Billy is living a bit further away so we only see him occasionally. We have prayed for him and see God's answer in the way he is now keeping the right side of the law.

## Saturday 1st July

### Ferintosh and Resolis

Pray for the Adventure Cruise Holiday club, 7th - 10h August at Culbokie. Pray for a growing passion to see all homes in the North Black Isle reached with the gospel.

## **Sunday 2nd July**

#### Osamu and Mairi, Japan

Osamu and Mairi have been praying about the location of their ministry as more Christian workers and missionaries are working in Shichigahama town. They have been praying that the Lord may lead them to the city next to Shichigahama town, Tagajo city with 62,000 people. The population of Shichigahama town is 18,000. Pray that the door may be opened, i.e. appropriate place to be found for the service soon.

## **QUOTE**

"Prayer is beyond any question the highest activity of the human soul. Man is at his greatest and highest when upon his knees he comes face to face with God."

(Studies on the Sermon on the Mount, Dr Martyn Llyod-Jones).