

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.

25th August 2024



WELCOME TO OUR SERVICE TODAY

Today's services will be taken by Rev Colin Macleod (Back). Our services are livestreamed at: <https://www.youtube.com/@shawbostfreechurchofscotland>

At the **12:00 noon service**, the Scripture reading will be from Psalm 86.

At the **6.00pm service**, the Scripture reading will be from Isaiah 41:1-13 and John 6:15-21.

| | 12.00 Noon Service | | 6.00pm Service | |
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| 1 | Psalm 111:1-4 | Scottish Psalter | Psalm 93 | Sing Psalms |
| 2 | Psalm 25:1-6 | Sing Psalms | Psalm 107:25-30 | Scottish Psalter |
| 3 | Psalm 18:1-6 | Sing Psalms | Psalm 77:16-20 | Sing Psalms |
| 4 | Psalm 86:6-10 | Scottish Psalter | Psalm 138:6-8 | Sing Psalms |

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School will be at the usual time during the 12noon service. The children will go to their classes in the Hall during the second item of praise. Please remember the children and teachers in prayer.

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

The sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be dispensed in the congregation next Lord's Day on **Sunday, 1st September (DV)**. The communion services schedule is as follows:

Thursday 29th August: Gaelic Service, **Bragar, 7.00pm**, Rev. M. Macdonald, Callanish

Friday 30th August: English Service, **Church, 7.00pm**, Rev A. Coghill Scalpay

Saturday 31st August: English Service, **Church, 12.00noon**, Rev A. Coghill, Scalpay

Saturday 31st August: Bi - Lingual Prayer Meeting, **Church Hall, 6pm**. Led by Elders.

Lord's Day 1st September: English, **Church, 11.30am**, Rev A. Coghill, (Sacrament of Lord's Supper will be dispensed at this service).

Lord's Day 1st September: English, **Church 6.30pm** English Rev A. Coghill. Congregational Fellowship to follow. All welcome.

PRAYER MEETING AND BIBLE STUDY

The prayer meeting and Bible study will take place on Wednesday 28th August at 7pm in Bragar. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend

SAFEGUARDING TRAINING

The Free Church has identified the following dates and times for Safeguarding Training Sessions: **Tuesday 24th September at 7.30pm; Thursday 31st October at 7.30pm; Monday 2nd December at 6.00 pm**. All training is online and these sessions are advertised on the web <https://freechurch.org/safeguarding-training/>

The September date is indicated as being of specific relevance to **Office Bearers** and the December one of specific relevance to **Safeguarding Coordinators**.

Please bear in mind that, as before, sign-up will become unavailable 7 days before actual event. We have also been reminded of the requirement set out by the Free Church Trustees that office bearers, youth workers, Sunday school teachers/helpers etc should have undertaken training within the last 3 years. Anyone who is due to take part in the three yearly refresher course is encouraged to do so. If you have any questions, Maletta MacPhail and Catherine Macleod will do their best to address these.

PRAYER POINTS 19th August - 25th August 2024

Monday 19th August - St. Andrew's: Please give thanks for those who have come to faith in the last few months.

Tuesday 20th August - Matt and Maria, Greece: Please pray for U, N, and M, that the Holy Spirit would warm their hearts so the seed of God's word would find good soil and send down deep roots, and that over these next few months they would have a lasting zeal to know the Lord deeper, and that we would be able to help disciple them in that.

Wednesday 21st August - Healthy Gospel Church: Pray that in partnership with other churches, denominations and organisations across Scotland, the Church would partner and work together to see God's Church become increasingly healthy right across Scotland, and beyond. Pray that Jesus Christ is at the very centre of a gospel church.

Thursday 22nd August - St. Andrew's: Please pray for the thousands arriving in St Andrews this autumn - for believers to settle quickly into a faithful church and for unbelievers to come under the sound of the gospel. Please pray specifically for a few new families to join our congregation.

Friday 23rd August - Matt and Maria, Greece: Please pray for the fires in Greece, as many of you know there have been various villages and suburbs displaced and it is somewhat of a norm around Greece each summer now.

Saturday 24th August - St. Andrew's: Please pray for those training for gospel ministry in St Andrews, and for the Lord to raise up many more workers from our midst.

Sunday 25th August - Matt and Maria, Greece: Pray for revival in Athens and across Greece and a conviction amongst the Lord's people to preach.

NORTH TOLSTA AND NORTH UIST COMMUNION SERVICES

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| Thursday 29 th August | 7.00pm | English | Rev Donald M Macleod |
| Friday 30 th August | 7.00pm | English | Rev Hugh Ferrier |
| Saturday 31 st August | 12 noon | English | Rev Murdo Macleod - Nairn |
| Saturday 31 st August | 6.00pm | Bilingual | Prayer meetings taken by the elders. |
| Lord's Day 1 st September | 8.00am | | |
| Lord's Day 1 st September | 11.30am | English | Rev Murdo Macleod - Nairn |
| Lord's Day 1 st September | 6.30pm | English | |

There will be a fellowship in the hall after the evening service.

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| Saturday 31 st August | 7.00pm | English | Rev Ian Macinnes |
| Lord's Day 1st September | 11.00am | English | Rev Ian Macinnes |
| | 6.00pm | English | |

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THE LARGER CATECHISM

Q. 11. How doth it appear that the Son and the Holy Ghost are God equal with the Father?

A. The Scriptures manifest that the Son and the Holy Ghost are God equal with the Father, ascribing unto them such names, attributes, works, and worship, as are proper to God only.

[Isa. 6:3](#); [5](#); [8](#); [John 12:41](#); [Acts 28:25](#); [1 John 5:20](#); [Acts 5:3-4](#); [John 1:1](#); [Isa. 9:6](#); [John 2:24-25](#); [1 Cor. 2:10-11](#); [Col. 1:16](#); [Gen. 1:2](#); [Matt. 28:19](#); [2 Cor. 13:14](#).

“Our sins should humble us, but they must not discourage us from coming to Christ.”

— **Thomas Watson, The Lord's Supper.**

“The Lord's supper is memorative, and so it has the nature and use of a pledge or token of love, left by a dying to a dear surviving friend.

— **John Flavel**