

## 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

31st May 2026



### WELCOME TO OUR SERVICES TODAY

Today's services will be taken by Mr Donald MacAulay.

At the **11.00am** service, the Scripture reading will be from the Gospel of John, Chapter 20.

At the **6.00pm** service, the Scripture reading will be from Song of Solomon, Chapter 5.

	11.00am Service		6.00pm Service	
1	Psalm 136:1-10	Scottish Psalter	Psalm 125	Scottish Psalter
2	Psalm 49:1-7	Sing Psalms	Psalm 138:1-6	Scottish Psalter
3	Psalm 119:17-24	Scottish Psalter	Psalm 122	Scottish Psalter
4	Psalm 100	Scottish Psalter	Psalm 133	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 Rev Roddy John Campbell.

### GAELIC SERVICE

The Gaelic service next Lord's Day in **Bragar at 6pm** will be taken by Rev Donald A MacDonald.

### PRAYER MEETING AND BIBLE STUDY

The prayer meeting and Bible study will take place on **Wednesday 3rd June at 7pm in the Church Hall**. Everyone is most welcome and encouraged to attend.

### VACANCY COMMITTEE & KIRK SESSION MEETING

There will be a meeting of the Vacancy Committee on **Wednesday 3rd June** immediately following the prayer meeting in the Church Hall. There will be a meeting of the Kirk Session immediately following the Vacancy Committee meeting.

### BEREAVEMENT

It was with sadness we learnt of the sudden passing of Angus Graham, 19 South Bragar, towards the end of last week. Please continue to remember the Graham family, and wider family circle, in prayer.

### 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.

### GIGA FELLOWSHIP – AFTERNOON OF FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP

Join us for an afternoon of food, fellowship and inspiring guest speakers. **Saturday 6th June, 1.00pm 3.00pm**. Please do join us to hear from our speakers: Dr Jeremiah Pitts, Rev Ewen Matheson and Kenny John Mackenzie. Everyone is warmly welcome. Please book your space by contacting: Email – [sealladhard@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:sealladhard@yahoo.co.uk) Phone: Torquill – 07539 600707

### PROVIDENCE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

You are warmly invited to join us for a coffee morning on **Monday June 1st at the Fàilte Centre, Stornoway, 10.30am-12.00pm**. All proceeds go to the work of Providence Christian School.

### TIMES FOR PRAYER – MATTHEW HENRY DEVOTIONAL

"... praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication ..."  
**EPHESIANS 6:18A**

"There are other duties of religion, and of our stations in the world, but we must keep up times of prayer. Though set and solemn prayer may not be seasonable when other duties are to be done, yet short pious prayers darted out always are so. We must use holy thoughts in our ordinary course. A vain heart will be vain in prayer. We must pray with all kinds of prayer, public, private, and secret; social and solitary; solemn and sudden: with all the parts of prayer; confession of sin, petition for mercy, and thanksgiving for favours received. And we must do it by the grace of God the Holy Spirit, in dependence on, and according to, his teaching. We must persevere in particular requests, notwithstanding discouragements. We must pray, not for ourselves only, but for all saints. Our enemies are mighty, and we are without strength, but our Redeemer is almighty, and in the power of his might we may overcome. Wherefore we must stir up ourselves. Have not we, when God has called, often neglected to answer? Let us think upon these things and continue our prayers with patience. We must join prayer with all these graces, for our defence against these spiritual enemies, imploring help and assistance of God, as the case requires: and we must pray always. Not as though we were to do nothing else but pray, for there are other duties of religion and of our respective stations in the world that are to be done in their place and season; but we should keep up constant times of prayer; and be constant to them."

### PRAYER POINTS 25th May - 1st June 2026

#### Monday 25th May - Ayr and Kilwinning

Pray for the Hope Corner taking place in the church today which is open to all. that many would come along and enjoy time in fellowship together.

#### Tuesday 26th May - Dumisani

Pray that local pastors or laity in addition to enrolled Dumisani students of the Eastern Cape will also take the opportunity to attend the Winter School at Dumisani in June.

#### Wednesday 27th May - Dornoch

Please pray for God's help and guiding as we seek to reach our community with the Gospel. Pray that God would be at work by His Holy Spirit, drawing many to him. Please pray that believers in the church would be bold in sharing their faith.

#### Thursday 28th May - Ayr and Kilwinning

Give thanks for the great attendance at the congregational meeting taken by our interim Moderator. Everyone agreed with the way forward. Please keep praying about our need for a minister.

#### Friday 29th May - Dumisani

Pray for Dumisani Theological Institute's Winter School from June 1st to 12th. Andre Kruger will be teaching Psalms and Wisdom Books and Wilbert Chipenyu will be teaching an overview of the New Testament. Pray for these two leaders and all the students who attend this special intensive time of teaching.

#### Saturday 30th May - Dornoch

From the 13th to 17th July we will be hosting our Space Mission Holiday Club. This is an opportunity for children in P1-P7 to learn more about Jesus through games, songs, crafts and stories. Please do pray that many children would come along and hear the good news of the gospel and do pray that many from the community would come along.

#### Sunday 1st June - Dumisani

Pray with thanksgiving on for the official handing-over of the new male student house for Dumisani Theological Institute, SA. This marks a long process of reaching this stage and many are to be commended for their perseverance in the search.

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"The true measure of a man is how he treats someone who can do him absolutely no good"

John Bunyan

"When you feel yourself to be utterly unworthy, you have hit the truth"

CH Spurgeon