

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.

4th August 2024



WELCOME TO OUR SERVICE TODAY

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

At the **12:00 noon service**, the Scripture reading will be from Matthew 27:32-65 focussing on verses 51-55. The sermon is entitled *The Power of The Cross*.

At the **6.00pm service**, the Scripture reading will be from John 1 vs 29-42 focussing on verse 42. The sermon is entitled *The God Who Transforms His People*.

	12.00 Noon Service		6.00pm Service	
1	Psalm 93	Scottish Psalter	Psalm 36:5-10	Sing Psalms
2	Psalm 16:7-11	Sing Psalms	Psalm 139a:1-10	Sing Psalms
3	Psalm 142:1-7	Sing Psalms	Psalm 119:33-40	Sing Psalms
4	Psalm 23	Scottish Psalter	Psalm 40: 1-5	Scottish Psalter

SUNDAY SCHOOL

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

SERVICES NEXT LORD'S DAY

The services next Lord's Day will be taken by Rev John Johnstone (Kirkcaldy Free Church).

GAELIC SERVICE

The Gaelic Service **tonight in Bragar at 6pm** will be taken by Mr Donald Morrison (Elder).

PRAYER MEETING & BIBLE STUDY

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

KIRK SESSION

There will be a meeting of the Kirk Session **immediately following the prayer meeting on Wednesday 7th August**.

SATURDAY NIGHT PRAYER MEETING

The above meeting will be paused during the summer holiday period.

GAELIC SERVICE – CLAN MACQUARRIE COMMUNITY CENTRE

There will be a Gaelic Service held in **Clan MacQuarrie Community Centre, Borge on Friday 9th August at 7.30pm**. The service will be taken by Rev Paul Murray, Kinloch and there will be a collection taken on the night for Bethesda. All welcome.

OM HOPE FOR THE HEBRIDES: PRAISE NIGHT

Praise Night: As part of the Hope for the Hebrides outreach mission this month, Carloway Free Church will be hosting a Praise Night on **Sunday 11th August from 8pm to 9pm**. This will be an evening of praise and testimony. All are invited to attend.

PUBLIC LECTURE

One Wednesday **14th August at 7.30pm** in **Carloway Community Centre** there will be a public lecture and discussion on the question 'What's the Point in Life?'. The guest speaker will be Rev Tom Penman and all are encouraged to come along and to invite friends and family who may have questions about the Christian faith.

CHILDREN'S HOLIDAY CLUB

There will be a children's holiday club (pre-school to Primary 7), taking place in the **Carloway Community Centre on 13-14th August, (2.00pm-4.30pm)**. Come and enjoy Bible stories, crafts, music and lots of fun activities.

PRAYER POINTS 29TH JULY - 4TH AUGUST 2024

Monday 29th July - Mearns Free Church

Give thanks for the recent admission of Mearns Free Church into the Free Church of Scotland. Please pray the Lord may bless the congregation, and that he will continue to bless the preaching of His word.

Tuesday 30th July - Badenoch

Give thanks for the hospitality of the congregation over summer to all of the camps visiting Kincaig. Please pray the Lord will bless and strengthen the congregation, and that the Lord would bless the weekly gathering and preaching of His word.

Wednesday 31st July - Osamu and Mairi, Japan

Osamu and Mairi are planning to start a drop-in-cafe for the community some time in autumn. Please pray for the preparation for this.

Thursday 1st August - Central Office

Give thanks for the provision of someone for the admin assistant vacancy. Please pray for them as they begin to start soon. Please pray the Lord will also provide the right person for the Camps Co-Ordinator role.

Friday 2nd August - Mearns Free Church

Please pray for our "Community Week", 5th-11th August. We shall have a daily primary-age holiday club and teen events during the week. Senior adults are invited to "Cafe Connect" (6th). Pairing with our Olympics theme, a Film Night (8th) & Friday (9th) we'll host an all-age "Scottish / Chinese" Cultural Evening (& parents). Concluding with All-Age "Community Week" worship on Sunday (11th).

Saturday 3rd of August - Free Church Youth Camps

Please pray for the final two camps heading home today, for safe travels and arrivals home. Give thanks for all of the camps which have taken place over the summer, and pray the Lord

Sunday 4th August - Badenoch

Give thanks for each member of the congregation and how they serve the life of the church. Please pray for new families and individuals to move to the area who are able to serve the church. Please pray the congregation will see growth and will have opportunities to evangelise to those in their community.

THE LARGER CATECHISM

Q. 7. What is God?

A. God is a Spirit, in and of himself infinite in being, glory, blessedness, and perfection; all-sufficient, eternal, unchangeable, incomprehensible, everywhere present, almighty, knowing all things, most wise, most holy, most just, most merciful and gracious, long-suffering, and abundant in goodness and truth.

[John 4:24](#); [Ex. 3:14](#); [Job 11:7-9](#); [Acts 7:2](#); [1 Tim. 6:15](#); [Matt. 5:48](#); [Gen. 17:1](#); [Ps. 90:2](#); [Mal. 3:6](#); [Jas. 1:17](#); [1 Kings 8:27](#); [Ps. 139:1-13](#); [Rev. 4:8](#); [Heb. 4:13](#); [Ps. 147:5](#); [Rom. 16:27](#); [Isa. 6:3](#); [Rev. 15:4](#); [Deut. 32:4](#); [Ex. 34:6](#).

PRAYING FOR OTHERS

I have benefited by my **praying for others**; for by making an errand to God for them, I have gotten something for myself.

-Samuel Rutherford