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**A Healthy
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CHURCH BULLETIN
SUNDAY 6th August 2023

INTRODUCTION

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

LORD'S DAY SERVICES

Both services today will be taken by the Minister.

At the **12.00noon service**, we continue our study of 1 Peter by looking at what God has to say from 1 Peter 5:1-4. The title of the sermon is *Present Suffering & The Role of Church Leaders*. There will be a scripture reading from Acts:17-35.

At the **6.00pm service**, we continue our study on Learning Lessons from the Prayers of Paul by looking at Ephesians 1:3-6. The title of the sermon is *Praying with Paul & The Sovereignty of God*. The scripture reading will be from Ephesians 1:1-14.

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

	12.00 Noon Service		6.00pm Service	
1	Psalms 23:1-6	Psalter	Psalms 89:1-6	Psalter
2	Psalms 78:52-55	Psalter	Psalms 132:10-18	Sing Psalms
3	Psalms 80(a):1-7	Sing Psalms	Psalms 33:10-14	Psalter
4	Psalms 78:69-72	Psalter		

SUNDAY SCHOOL

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

GAELIC SERVICE

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

SERVICES NEXT LORD'S DAY

The Minister will be on holiday next Lord's Day. The services will be taken as follows in his absence: 12.00noon – Rev. Kenny I. Macleod; 6.00pm – Mr Stuart King, North Harris Free Church

PRAYER MEETING AND BIBLE STUDY

The Prayer and Bible Study Meeting will take place on Wednesday 9th August 2023 at 7.00pm in the Church Hall.

SEPTEMBER COMMUNION

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be observed and dispensed in the congregation on Lord's Day 3rd September 2023. The guest preacher will be Rev. Colin Macleod, Minister at Back. Details of the services will be made available nearer the time.

EDINBURGH THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY – THE SATURDAY COURSE

Open to anyone, the Saturday Courses are an excellent way of gaining more than would normally be offered in church on Sunday whilst being less demanding than a full-time theological course. One Saturday a month, from September through to April, three lectures are delivered by visiting speakers. These lectures, which are also available to access online, are specially designed to stretch the Christian mind and deepen an understanding of God's word. The course content covers Biblical Studies, Practical Theology, Christian Discipleship and Christian Doctrine.

Who is the Saturday Course for? The Saturday Courses, which may be completed with or without essays, are of great benefit to anyone who has a longing to dig deeper into the gospel. They are also intended for office-bearers – to encourage them to learn how to approach theological, biblical, historical and pastoral issues and thus to develop a greater study of the word of God. No prior qualifications are necessary – everyone is welcome. For more information please visit <https://ets.ac.uk/courses/saturday-courses/>

PRAYING FOR ONE ANOTHER (7th August - 13th August 2023)

Monday 7th August

Downvale

Please pray that the congregation would be strengthened spiritually to worship and serve the Lord. Please pray for the weekly activities of the church, particularly the Partick Pantry. Pray that this will be of blessing to those in need and that God would draw near to those who use the service.

Tuesday 8th August

Free Church Youth Camps

Praise God for a successful run of 10 Free Church Youth Camps this Summer. Although it ended on a somewhat disappointing note, having to shut down a camp midweek after a sickness outbreak, we thank God for his many blessings and provisions for all the camps. We are reminded that He works all things for the good of those who love Him and that He has a good plan and purpose for FCYC – even in the illnesses! It has been a real encouragement to hear of so many fruitful discussions with campers and we continue to pray that God would be working in the heart and lives of the campers. Pray that congregations would bless (and be blessed by) the campers already connected to churches. Pray also for the campers that are not connected to any church, we hope and pray that they would find a gospel centred church near them to encourage them.

Wednesday 9th August

Govan G51

Please pray for our recovery group and foodbank which run on a Wednesday and Thursday each week. Both of these provide us with valuable opportunities to share the gospel with the most vulnerable members of our community.

Thursday 10th August

Sashko, Poland

Give praise for the successful Teens program last week which saw many teens hear the gospel through using movies and daily bible teachings to unpack the Christian message.

Friday 11th August

Govan G51

Pray for the ongoing outreach, that many would come to know the transformative and saving power of our Lord Jesus. Please pray for Street Connect, for their willingness to support those in our local community who struggle with addiction. Pray that God will bless this work for His glory.

Saturday 12th August

Sashko, Poland

Pray for our ongoing building search. The church we are meeting at is ok, but we need a bigger space for our daily and weekly operations.

Sunday 13th August

Downvale

Pray that as the congregation gathers to worship, they will be renewed by the word of God. Pray that they will live by the instruction and guidance of the word, and that they will be encouraged by it.

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).