

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.

6th September 2026



WELCOME TO OUR SERVICES TODAY

The **Sacrament of the Lord's Supper** will be observed and dispensed in the congregation today in Bragar at 11am. The Minister will be **Rev. Malcolm Maclean** for both the services today.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School will be on as usual today. The children will leave after the second singing and make their way to the session room at the back of the Church.

CONGREGATIONAL FELLOWSHIP

There will be a **congregational fellowship** tonight following the evening service in Bragar, where we will have a time together with **Rev. Malcolm Maclean**. Tea & Biscuits will also be served. **ALL very welcome.**

PRAYER MEETING AND BIBLE STUDY

The prayer meeting and Bible study will take place on **Wednesday 9th September at 7pm in Bragar**. Everyone is most welcome and encouraged to attend.

SERVICES NEXT LORD'S DAY

The preacher for the services next Lord's Day are yet to be confirmed.

FOODBANK

For the month of September, the Manager of the Foodbank has **suggested we donate tinned meats and tinned soup**. The boxes for dropping items off are in the back row of the meeting house. All donations are sincerely appreciated.

PROVIDENCE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

Providence Christian School is an independent, non-denominational, reformed Christian Primary School in Stornoway. They are currently **seeking applications for a Headteacher and a Primary Teacher at the school**. The closing date for advertised positions are Friday 2nd October 2026. For more information please contact office@providencechristian.school. If you know of anyone this may be suitable for, please pass the information onto them.

THE RECORD

The revamped **Record** arrives this weekend. **It's free** for existing subscribers this month, and the church has also provided **five free copies to each congregation** to allow you to sample it for yourselves. The magazine will be dealing with a lot of topical cultural issues and seeks to help believers respond spiritually to the cultural crisis of our times. If you want to become a subscriber, please indicate that **to Kenny Smith**, so that future magazines can be ordered for you.

BLYTHSWOOD 60th ANNIVERSARY EVENTS

To celebrate **60 years of Blythswood** and hear an update about what God is doing in Ukraine, the following events are being held on **Thursday 10th of September**. **Lite Lunch - St Columba's Church, Stornoway - 12-2pm. Praise & Thanksgiving Service - Back Free Church - 7.30pm**

RURAL MINISTRY CONFERENCE

The Free Church's **Centre for Rural Ministry** will be holding a conference on **Saturday 26th September from 10.30 to 3.30pm**. The theme is **'The Island Church: Playing to our Strengths'**. The cost is £10 and booking is essential.

SCHEDULE OF COMMUNION SERVICES

The **Sacrament of the Lord's Supper** will be observed next Lord's day in the congregation of **Kinloch**. Please remember them in prayer in the coming days.

KINLOCH FREE CHURCH			
Thursday 10 th September	7.30pm	English	Rev. Calum Murdo Smith
Friday 11 th September	11.30am	Question Meeting	Rev. Calum MacDonald Rtd.
	7pm	Gaelic (Hall)	
	7pm	English	Rev. Martin Smith Hawick Baptist Church
Saturday 12 th September	12 Noon	English	Rev. Martin Smith
	6pm	Prayer Meeting	Elders
Lord's Day 13 th September	11.30am	English	Rev. Calum MacDonald Rtd.
	6pm	English	Rev. Martin Smith
<i>The evening service will be followed by a short elder led prayer meeting, then a fellowship at the manse at which visiting ministers will give a word of testimony.</i>			
Monday 14 th September	11am	English	Rev. Paul Murray
<i>A short prayer meeting is held in the vestry an hour before the morning services on Friday, Saturday, Lord's Day, and Monday.</i>			

SPARKLE SISTERS FUNDRAISING EVENTS

Sparkle Sisters is a Christian Charity supporting women affected by homelessness and abuse, helping them find friendship, hope and a sense of belonging. **Two fundraising events have been organised** to support this vital work and ALL are warmly invited to attend. **Friday 11th September**, there will be a **Curry Night at Carloway Free Church from 6.30-8.30pm**. **Saturday 12th September** there will be a **Soup and Pudding Lunch at the M A Macleod Hall in Stornoway, from 12-2pm**.

PRAYER POINTS

Sunday 6th September
Sashko, Poland

We praise God for a summer that, even in its quieter weeks, brought a steady stream of new people through our doors.

Pray for our men's ministry resuming on September 3rd, with a new brand and program: "Men of the Covenant" and our new women's discipleship group led by Ania.

Please pray for me as I step into the role of MTW team leader, for wisdom, humility, and stamina as our team goes through a smaller season before growing again next year.

Matthew 26: 26-29

Jesus Institutes the Lord's Supper

26. And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to the disciples and said, "Take, eat; this is My body".

27. Then He took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you.

28. For this is My blood of the new covenant, which is shed for many for the remission of sins.

29. But I say to you, I will not drink of this fruit of the vine from now until that day when I drink it new with you in My Father's Kingdom."

Source: The Women's Study Bible, NKJV

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