



CHURCH BULLETIN

SUNDAY 9th April 2023

INTRODUCTION

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

SUNDAY SERVICES

The 12.00noon service will be taken by the Minister and the 6pm service will be taken by Mr Calum Maclean (Back). At the **12.00noon service**, the reading will be from 1 Corinthians 15:12-28 and the sermon is entitled *Easter Sunday and God's Pledge of Paradise*. At the **6.00pm service** the reading will be from John 7:37-8:11 with a focus on John 8:10-11.

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	
I	Psalm 61:1-8	Sing Psalms	Psalm 139:1-8	Psalter
2	Psalm 104:31-36	Sing Psalms	Psalm 31:1-6	Sing Psalms
3	Psalm 110:1-5	Psalter	Psalm 130	Psalter
4	Psalm 72:17-19	Psalter		

SUNDAY SCHOOL

There is no Sunday School this week or next week due to the school holiday.

GAELIC SERVICE – 2nd APRIL 2023

The Gaelic Service in Bragar on Sunday 2nd April 2023 was recorded and is now available on the Sermon Audio page.

SERVICES NEXT LORD'S DAY

The 12pm service next Lord's Day will be taken by Rev Kenneth Ferguson and the 6pm service will be taken by the Minister.

PRAYER MEETING & BIBLE STUDY

The Prayer and Bible Study Meeting will take place on Wednesday 12th April 2023 at 7.00pm in the Church Hall. Adam, travelling Missionary, will give an update on his missionary work. Following our regular practice, a door collection will be taken in aid of Adam's missionary work at both services on Lord's Day 16th April.

FUNERAL SERVICE

The funeral service of the late Mary Bell Watt will take place in the Church at 11.00am on Friday 14th April 2023. Mary Bell was born at 13 New Shawbost in 1931, the fifth child in a family of six. She married Jack Watt in 1953 and they have one daughter, Mairi. They lived in Montrose until they moved to Norwich in recent to be near their daughter Mairi. We remember the husband Jack, the daughter Mairi, the granddaughters Katy and Kirsty with their respective families, in our prayers as they make this sad journey to the funeral service in Mary Bell's home Church at Shawbost.

WESTERN ISLES PRESBYTERY: HEALTHY CHURCH GATHERINGS

Join us at the Healthy Church Gathering at MA Memorial Hall Kenneth Street, Stornoway.

This is a free event being organised for congregations in the Western Isles Presbytery of the Free Church of Scotland, as we look to encourage one another and share in the vision for A Healthy Gospel Church for Every Community in Scotland.

The hope is to bring together as many people in your congregations as possible for a time of input and then discussion, with a focus on us hearing the views and ideas of one another. There will be updates on how some churches have taken hold of the vision, as well as time to discuss some main topics, give feedback, ask questions and pray together.

The gathering will take place on **Friday 21st April** at MA Memorial Hall, Kenneth Street, Stornoway. There will be refreshments from **6.30pm**. The gathering will formally start at 7pm, with two main sections, and will conclude 9.30pm. We are asking people to sign up, to give us an idea of numbers attending.

To book, go to: <u>freechurch.org</u>/healthy-church-gatherings.

SCHEDULE OF COMMUNION SERVICES 13TH-16TH APRIL – CALLANISH FREE CHURCH

Thursday 13 th April	7.30pm	Gaelic	Rev James Maciver
Friday 14 th April	11.30 am	Question Meeting	Rev M Macdonald
	7.30pm	English	Rev Iain Thomson
Saturday 15 th April	11.30am	English	Rev lain Thomson
	6.00pm	Bi-lingual Prayer Meeting	Elder Led
Lord's Day 16 th April	11.30am	English	Rev lain Thomson
	6.30pm	English	Rev lain Thomson

PRAYING FOR ONE ANOTHER – 10-16th APRIL 2023

Monday 10th April Lennoxtown

Please pray for the congregation in Lennoxtown, that they would be growing to know and love Christ more through the teaching and preaching of His word.

Tuesday | |th April

Dumisani

Pray for ministry opportunities over the Easter period for students at Dumisani Theological Institute and the many Easter Conventions that the Churches will be hosting. Pray for clear biblical preaching, conversions, spiritual growth and safety in travel.

Wednesday 12th April

Healthy Gospel Church

Pray that God will move us by his Holy spirit, that we might be growing in our own relationship with God, and that as churches we would be helping others grow in spiritual health.

Thursday 13th April

Peru

Please pray for those suffering in the aftermath of Cyclone Yaku. Pray that God would bring comfort to those affected, and for the provision of aid where needed.

Friday 14th April

Dumisani

Give thanks to the Lord for the 28 Dumisani Theological Institute students who graduated on March 4th. May they bless the churches and ministries that they serve and truly bring honour to the Lord Jesus Christ in all that they do.

Saturday 15th April

Lennoxtown

Please pray that the gospel message would bear fruit in the members of the congregation, and those they witness too. Pray the Lord would work by His spirit to bring new life.

Sunday 16th April

Asian Outreach

Please pray for Muslims all over the world during this month of Ramadan, that the Lord would reveal himself to many.