

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.

Sunday 9th January 2022



SUNDAY SERVICES

We gather for public worship this Lord's Day at 12.00noon and at 6.00pm. Both the services will be conducted in English and taken by the Minister. More details on the Congregation and our ministry are available on our website our [here](#).

Services this Sunday

At the 12.00noon service we will look at Matthew 9:14-17 and the subject of 'Responding to the Bridegroom's Presence.' At the 6.00pm service, we will look at 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11 and the subject of 'Living in the Light of the Day.'

Psalm Singing

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

	12.00 Noon Service		6.00pm Service	
1	Psalm 4:1-8	Psalter (202)	Psalm 89:13-18	Psalter (345)
2	Psalm 69:10-14	Psalter (306)	Psalm 71:14-17	Psalter (311)
3	Psalm 149:1-4	Psalter (450)		

English Services

The English services in the Church at 12.00noon and 6.00pm will be live streamed and will be available on the Shawbost Free Church of Scotland **YouTube Channel** by clicking [here](#). An audio-only recording of the English services will be available on Sermon Audio at 2.00pm for the 12.00noon service and at 8.00pm for the 6.00pm service. The services can be accessed on the Shawbost Free Church **Sermon Audio Page** by clicking [here](#).

Gaelic Service

A pre-recorded video service conducted in Gaelic from the same passage as the 12.00noon English service will be available on our YouTube Channel at 10.30am on Sunday. The audio-only recording of the Gaelic service will be available at 12.00noon on Sunday on the Shawbost Free Church Sermon Audio Page. The audio-only recording of the Gaelic Service will also be available on the Twilio service, accessed by dialling 0131 510 2471.

Note – please note that there will be no Gaelic service on Sermon Audio or on the YouTube Channel on Sunday 16th January 2022 as the Minister is on Holiday.

COVID RESTRICTIONS

We continue to observe the one-metre physical distancing in our services in line with the advice from the Scottish Government and to help allay people's anxieties in public gatherings in the light of the ongoing presence of the COVID-19. We will also continue the practice of taking a register of all those attending our services. We must remain vigilant in observing all the public health guidelines as the COVID-19 continues to affect our communities.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Sunday School will resume today after the Christmas and New Year holidays. The arrangements for the Sunday School will follow the normal pattern. We pray our children and for the teachers as they continue to learn and teach the Word of God.

PRAYER MEETING & BIBLE STUDY

The weekly Prayer and Bible Study meeting will take place in the Bragar Meeting House at 7.00pm this Wednesday, 12th January 2022. The Minister is on holiday and the Meeting will be led by the Elders. We continue to observe the same one-metre physical distancing and take a register of those attending the meeting in line with our practice for Sunday services.

MINISTER ON HOLIDAY

The Minister will be on holiday for ten days from Monday 10th January 2022. He will return to work on Thursday 21st January. The services next Lord's Day, 16th January 2022, will be taken by Mr Donald Macleod, Park. We

thank Donald for taking the services and pray that the Lord will be with him as he continues his preparation and study for the ministry.

PRAYING FOR ONE ANOTHER - 2022

In the past, we have focussed on praying for congregations across the Church through the Praying For One Another (PFOA) information issued on a weekly basis. The arrangements for PFOA will change for 2022.

This year weekly emails will be issued every Monday giving one prayer point for each day of the week. This will include prayer points from local congregation and global mission partners. Paper copies of the prayer points will be available each month for those who prefer hard copies. You can sign up for the PFOA weekly emails by clicking [here](#).

Some Prayer Points – 1st to 9th January 2022

Dunfermline

Pray that we would be able to find a permanent base to work from. We meet in a school to worship together, and we'd love to have a place to bring folks into and go out from. We want to Love God, Love His People and Love our Community. Pray the congregation would put God first and that our love for him would drive us to be the best neighbours who get to share the best news in the world.

Colegio San Andrés

Pray for all teaching staff as they are taking their summer break. May God give them good rest and new energy for the academic year to come.

Carlway

In January we are delighted to be welcoming Phil and Helen Pickett to the congregation. Phil is a candidate for Free Church Ministry and will serve as a Minister in Training in Carlway for the final 2 and a half years of his training. Please give thanks to God for this opportunity and for the amazing provision of both a house in the community and a job for Helen. Please pray for Phil and Helen as they settle in to the congregation and community.

MISSIONARY SLOT – WEC INTERNATIONAL

WEC International takes the good news of Jesus Christ and the Gospel to the peoples and nations of the world who have yet to hear it. WEC's primary goal is to take the Gospel to the least-reached peoples of the world, and to see churches planted and growing among them. WEC is truly an international church-planting agency, working with over 1,935 workers in 90 countries. WEC works alongside local churches to evangelise, [make disciples](#) and start churches, translate scriptures and teach literacy, train leaders, run clinics and hospitals, [rescue and rehabilitate addicts](#), [care for children in crisis](#), work with [young people](#), respond to people's needs with compassion.

Mission Mobiliser - UK

WEC Mission Mobilisers sign up to inspire churches and individuals to learn about and get more seriously involved in mission by networking across the UK and Ireland. They work to develop partnerships with sending churches, promote cross-cultural mission, and mobilise prayer and personnel. They support WEC's Teams ministering in different regions and cooperate with other mission agency representatives to see churches more engaged with mission.

Specific prayer is requested this week for WEC Mobilisers who are connecting with students, in universities and in other contexts. Pray that students will see the opportunities to reach out to international students as well as considering their own futures. Pray that WEC Mobilisers would be both an encouragement and a resource for them.