

## 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 10<sup>th</sup> July 2022**



### SUNDAY SERVICES

We gather for public worship on the Lord's Day at 12.00noon and at 6.00pm. More details on the Congregation and our ministry are available on our website [here](#).

#### Services this Sunday

The services today will be taken by Mr Matty Guy who is on placement in the congregation for six weeks.

The sermon at the **12.00noon service** will be based on Philippians 1:27-2:11. The sermon at the **6.00pm service** will be based on Haggai 2:1-9.

#### Psalms 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	Psalms 2:1-6 (LM)	Sing Psalms (2)	Psalms 126:1-6	Sing Psalms (171)
2	Psalms 45:1-4 (CM)	Psalter (267)	Psalms 44:1-8	Sing Psalms (54)
3	Psalms 31:1-7 (LM)	Sing Psalms (36)	Psalms 84:1-5	Psalter (338)
4	Psalms 102:25-28 (CM)	Psalter (366)	-----	-----

#### English Services

The English services in the Church at 12.00noon and 6.00pm will be live streamed on our **YouTube Channel** [here](#). An audio recording of both services will be available on Sermon Audio as soon as possible after the services end. The services can be accessed on the Shawbost Free Church **Sermon Audio Page** by clicking [here](#).

#### Gaelic Service

There will be no new Gaelic sermons available on the Shawbost Free Church Sermon Audio Page during the six weeks of Matty Guy's Placement.

### SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Summer Sunday School will run during the school Summer holidays with the timing and the arrangements following the pattern of the regular Sunday School. The purpose of the Summer Sunday School is to provide continuity in our worship and activities on the Lord's Day and in the teaching of our children. Parents and children are encouraged to support the Summer Sunday School when they are at home.

### PRAYER MEETING & BIBLE STUDY

The Prayer and Bible Study Meeting will take place on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2022 at 7.00pm in the Church Hall.

### STORNOWAY CHRISTIAN BOOKSHOP

The staff at the Christian Bookshop would like to convey their thanks to the Sunday School teachers for choosing to purchase their prize-giving books from them – 'We sincerely appreciate the support of our local churches at this time and throughout the year. May God continue to bless you.'

### CONDOLENCES

It is with great sadness that we note the passing of Mr Murdo Gillies, 6 Carnan Park, on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2022. We extend our condolences to his wife Dolly Jane, and to their son Iain with his family – Lena and their children Katie, Jayne, and Danny. We also extend our condolences to Murdo's siblings – Angus, Chrissie, and family; Colin and family; Margaret Anne, Philip, and family. We pray God's comforting presence, strength, and grace for them all at this sad time.

### SPONSOR A CAMP – UPDATED PRAYER POINTS

The Free Church Youth Camps (FCYC) organisers have expressed their thankfulness for God's provision so far for Renfrew Junior Camp. They are also very thankful for the love and support - both prayer and financial - that they have received from congregations such as Shawbost.

There are a couple of prayer points as we look at this last week before Camp.

1. Thank God for His provision financially - we have now covered all financial costs of our camp!
2. Thank God for His provision of a great team of leaders and a great group of campers!
3. Please pray that we would all be enriched and encouraged through experiencing camp together and that God would be glorified in all we do.
4. There is another member of our team who potentially may not make it to camp either due to ill health - please pray for God's hand to heal and provide.
5. Please pray that we will find one more female leader to complete our team!

It is CRUCIAL that one more female leader is found as we need the right number of adults in order for camp to take place. If there is anyone in your congregation who has the time (Sat 16th to Sat 23<sup>rd</sup> July) and who feels led to help us, that would be wonderful and they should contact Mairi Catherine Martin at [mairicatherine360@gmail.com](mailto:mairicatherine360@gmail.com) or the Camps Coordinator - Mairi Beaton ( [mairi.beaton@freechurch.org](mailto:mairi.beaton@freechurch.org) )

## FREE CHURCH BOOKS – REVIEWS

Here are some of the books reviewed by Free Church Books this month.

### **BOOK OF THE MONTH: 'Luke 1-13: The Year of the Lord's Favour', Dale Ralph Davis (2021)**

Christian Focus Publications have done the Church a great service by commissioning Dale Ralph Davis to write a commentary on the Gospel of Luke. Davis is better known as an Old Testament commentator. By his own admission, *'I tend to find the New Testament more difficult than the Old Testament.'* His commentaries on books like Judges and Joshua (as well as many others) have brought the Old Testament alive for those of us who find the Old Testament more difficult than the New Testament. This book is available from [Christian Focus Publications](#)

### **'A Cause Worth Living For', David Hamilton (2021)**

One of the real strengths of 10Publishing is the discovery, or re-issuing, of powerful personal testimonies (10Biography). These true tales are all deeply challenging, moving, and full to the brim of the power of God to redeem and restore. In 'A Cause Worth Living For', the reader encounters Davy Hamilton, a former Northern Irish paramilitary whose life was radically changed by prison and the people, and Person, he encountered there. In Davy's account, the reader is brought vividly into his particular experience of the Troubles, and in the overwhelming need there was for the Lord's power to change, heal and forgive. When Davy speaks of a "cause worth dying for", it was something he truly believed of the violent struggle, and his story of gospel transformation is all the more powerful because of it. This book is available from [10ofthose.com](http://10ofthose.com)

## PRAYING FOR ONE ANOTHER

The following are prayer points issued by the Mission Board under the Praying For One Another Scheme (PFOA) in the past week.

### **Monday**

#### **Leith Elder Memorial**

Pray for the interim-moderator, Rev David Court, and the Session as they consider the best way forward for the congregation.

### **Tuesday**

#### **Turkey**

Over the past few years, new YouTube channels have appeared which explain Christian teaching in the Turkish language. Pray for God's blessing on their ministry, and especially for the Holy Spirit to work in the hearts of those from other religious backgrounds who watch the programmes.

### **Wednesday**

#### **Bonar Bridge**

We need some younger, committed members! A big ask in a location which doesn't have many job opportunities. We also need to see people being converted.

### **Thursday**

#### **Osamu and Mairi, Japan**

Pray for the Bible study class which is held once a month. Now Mrs. Yoshida comes to it. Though she comes to the service regularly, she did not show any interest in studying the Bible before. Pray the Lord to open her heart to see Jesus truly as her Saviour and the Lord. This month's study is on the 6th.

**Friday****IMJP**

HUNGARY: Bogi Kozma's Jewish contact Suzie is a young mother who recently started a demanding full-time job. Please pray that Suzie will see her need for the Saviour and will prioritise her time so she can continue meeting with Bogi.

**Saturday****Presbyterian Free Church, India**

Praise the Lord for keeping us safe in the terrible heat waves and very high temperatures.

**Sunday****Leith Elder Memorial**

Pray for Leith families that have left the city as they settle into other Free Church congregations.