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**A Healthy
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CHURCH BULLETIN

SUNDAY 30th October 2022

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](#).

SUNDAY SERVICES

The 12.00noon service will be taken by the Minister. We will continue our study of 1 Peter at the **12.00noon service**. The theme is 'The Christian's Faithfulness to Christ in a Hostile World.' This week's sermon is based on 1 Peter 1:81-21 under the title 'The Christian & The Defining Deliverance of the Cross.'

The Minister will be in Pairc (Gravir) for their evening service. The **6.00pm service** here will be taken by Rev. Iain MacRitchie, Pairc. The sermon will be based on 2 Kings 5:14. We welcome Mr MacRitchie to the congregation and trust and pray that God will bless the Word preached.

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 68:1-6	Psalter (301)	Psalm 25:1-9	Sing Psalms (29)
2	Psalm 142:4-7	Sing Psalms (186)	Psalm 51:5-10	Psalter (281)
3	Psalm 49:5-9	Psalter (274)	Psalm 103:1-11	Sing Psalms (135)
4	Psalm 116:13-19	Psalter (396)	-----	-----

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

The ongoing arrangements for the availability of Gaelic sermons on the Sermon Audio Page and on YouTube is under review and any changes going forward will be announced in due course.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

We welcome the children back to the Sunday School this Lord's Day. We give thanks to God for bringing everyone back home safely after the school holidays. We pray the Lord's blessing on our parents and children under the ministry and teaching of God's Word.

PRAYER MEETING & BIBLE STUDY

The Prayer and Bible Study Meeting will take place on Wednesday 2nd November 2022 at 7.00pm in the Bragar Meeting Hall. We will continue our study of Christian Maturity.

MINISTER'S DIARY

The Minister's Diary for the coming weeks includes the following meetings:

Date	Event	Location	
Tue	1 st Nov	RSHP Project – Management Committee	Zoom
Thu	3 rd Nov	Board of Trustees – Project Management	Rosskeen
Tue	15 th Nov	1 Week's Holiday	
Sun	27 th Nov	Preaching Supply – North Uist	

COMFORT INTERNATIONAL – DOOR COLLECTION

There is a Door Collection at both services today in aid of funds for [Comfort International](#). You are encouraged to support Comfort International in their mission as they work with their partners in Rwanda, DR Congo, Burundi, South Sudan, and Uganda to bring lasting transformation to lives and communities.

SUNDAY 30TH OCTOBER - BIG YF

All young people are invited to the Big YF this Lord's Day at 8.00pm in the Rev. M. A. Macleod Memorial Hall, Kenneth St, Stornoway. This meeting is part of 'The Pursuit of God – In an Age of Pornography' Conference, organised by the Western Isles Presbytery. While open to all young people, the target audience will be young people in S1-S6, from across the Western Isles.

Rev. Joe Barnard and Ms Ali Macdonald are our speakers, and they will deal sensitively with a difficult but important topic. Young people will be split into two groups according to age for the talk. Please contact Gordon Macleod, Presbytery Worker, for more information on youth-and-discipleshipWIFC@outlook.com

'WALK WITH ME' DEVOTIONAL NOW IN PRINT

The popular 'Walk With Me' daily devotionals, written by Rev. Bill Graham, are being made available in a book. Walk with Me, a year's worth of reflections on the Scriptures, has been printed in time for the New Year. They have been written by Bill, an Elder at St Columba's Free Church in Edinburgh, and former missionary in South Africa.

The venture is being organised by the Church Equipping committee, which is part of the Free Church of Scotland's Mission Board. The committee say that the devotionals, which have been online for the past few years, have been such an encouragement that they wanted to collate them into a book for people's ease.

The devotionals cost £8 plus postage and packaging and will be available from the Free Church offices. The books can be ordered individually or in bulk from the office. Order forms available [here](#).

COMMUNIONS IN PAIRC (GRAVIR)

PAIRC
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COMMUNION WEEKEND

Friday 4th November 7.30pm - Rev David Macleod
Saturday 5th November 7pm - Rev David Macleod
Lord's Day 6th November 11.30am - Rev David Macleod
6pm - Rev David Macleod
7.30pm - Testimony Fellowship

ALL WELCOME

'For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death till He comes.'

The congregation of Pairc (Gravir) are celebrating the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper next Lord's Day, 6th November 2022, and the communion services are listed here for your information.

Visitors from other congregations are warmly invited to all the services.

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 - Kirkcaldy

Give thanks for the recent addition of 7 new members in the church, including Rev Geoff Murray and his family. Geoff and Maddie and their son Ali have moved to Kirkcaldy as Geoff works in Kirkcaldy Free Church and begins his work for the pre-launch stage of a church plant in Levenmouth. Please ask the Lord to bless the Murray family in this new and exciting chapter.

Tuesday - Turkey

Pray for an experienced Turkish pastor who had to leave his congregation last year because of an unfortunate disagreement. Ask God to bless his itinerant ministry, as well as his old congregation and the young pastor who has now taken over there.

Wednesday - IMJP

JAFFA: Misha Vayshengolts gave a copy of John's Gospel to Lina, a non-believing Jewish woman, during one of his evangelistic excursions in Israel. Please pray that, as Lina reads about Jesus, God will be at work in her heart and save her.

Thursday - Central Office

Give thanks for the Lord's provision of a new Finance Manager.

Friday - Kirkcaldy

Pray that our church family would have many opportunities to share our faith with friends, family, neighbours and work colleagues and that strong and healthy relationships with unbelievers would be established. Pray for the ongoing witness at our fortnightly community cafe on Saturday mornings and pray for conversions amongst those who attend. There is a new housing development of 1000 homes relatively close to our church called "Kingdom Park". Pray that as more homes are built here over the next few years, that there would be a spiritual harvest.

Saturday - Presbyterian Free Church, India

Pray for peace and harmony in the country.

Sunday - Turkey

A theological training course in Turkey is doing extensive work on their building. Pray that it would go smoothly, and that the issues with the building would be addressed. Pray also for their ministry in the country.