



**SHAWBOST
FREE CHURCH**



THE VISION OF THE
FREE CHURCH OF
SCOTLAND IS



**A Healthy
Gospel Church
for Every Community
in Scotland**



CHURCH BULLETIN

SUNDAY 6th November 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 I 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 I Peter 1:22-2:3 under the title 'Christian Conduct & Life in God's Family.'

At the **6.00pm service** we will continue our study on the life and purpose of the Church. The vision of the Free Church is to have 'A Healthy Gospel Church in every Community in Scotland.' We want to look at what the Word of God has to say about the Healthy Gospel Church and what it looks like in practice. This week we will look at I Corinthians 12:12-26 under the title 'The Church – The Unity & Diversity of the Body.'

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 34:1-10	Sing Psalms (40)	Psalm 26:1-8	Psalter (235)
2	Psalm 89:25-29	Psalter (346)	Psalm 139(a):13-18	Sing Psalms (181)
3	Psalm 103:14-18	Psalter (370)	Psalm 147:1-5	Psalter (446)
4	Psalm 102(1):25-28	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

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 9th November 2022 at 7.00pm in the Church 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 8 th Nov	Board of Trustees – Project Management	Stornoway
Tue 15 th Nov	I Week's Holiday	
Sun 27 th Nov	Preaching Supply	North Uist
Tue 29 th Nov	Presbytery Meeting	Stornoway
Tue 29 th Nov	Board of Trustees – Project Management	Glasgow

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY SERVICE

Remembrance Sunday falls on Sunday 13th November in 2022. The Remembrance Sunday Service will take place as usual at the War Memorial in Bragar. The Service will commence at approximately 10.30am. The Programme is included here for your information. See below for further details.

Please be encouraged to come along to the Service as we seek to remember and honour the heroic efforts, achievements, and sacrifices that were made by so many in past wars and conflicts.

CHRISTIAN INSTITUTE – WEEK OF PRAYER

The Christian Institute are holding a week of prayer from Sunday 13th November to Saturday 19th November 2022. They are asking us to join them in praying for our new King, our political leaders, and other important national matters. The Prayer Leaflet, which gives prayer points for each day, can be downloaded [here](#).

FREE CHURCH – DAY OF PRAYER

The Free Church Mission Board has organised a Free Church of Scotland Day of Prayer to be held across the Church on Wednesday 30th November.

This year, prayer points will focus on the Free Church's vision for a Healthy Gospel Church for Every Community in Scotland. This vision is not something that can be achieved by a central organisation. This is about all of us working together, to see God's church become increasingly healthy right across Scotland and beyond. It is an invitation to every congregation, minister, member and adherent to recommit themselves to grow healthy in their own Christian lives and in their life together as a church. It is about asking people to think how God's church can be more effective in making and growing disciples.

The Day of Prayer gives many the opportunity to gather together in the privilege of prayer across the entire nation. Prayer points will include: revitalising churches, planting new churches, supporting church leaders, recruiting and training ministers among a number of other aspects. Information and resources are available on the Free Church website [here](#).

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 - Kiltearn

Give thanks for the large number of young people attending our Friday Club for Primary School age children over the past weeks. With this blessing, there are challenges, which include limited space for meeting -- please pray for wisdom in addressing these challenges. Also, pray for the growing relationships with parents, that they, as well as their children, will see the love of Jesus in the helpers at Friday Club and that they in turn will come to know and love our Saviour

Tuesday - Matthew and Maria Lingard, Athena

Thank God for his explicit answers to many prayers, and for bringing around us such a solid support base of praying brothers and sisters from so many different places. We have many testimonies from the last couple months where prayers (big and small) have been answered so quickly and directly that it's been wonderful to see and share.

Wednesday - Urray and Strathconnon

Youth work: In recent weeks we have been encouraged by the attendance of unchurched youngsters to our Sunday school. Please pray that this would continue and that our teachers would have the skills and wisdom to communicate the gospel in suitable ways. We are also recommencing our youth club after covid and would appreciate prayers for this.

Thursday - Dumisani

Pray for Dumisani students engaged in village and town ministries around the Eastern Cape province. May a good integration occur between their work in the Dumisani classroom and with congregational ministries.

Friday - Matthew and Maria Lingard, Athens

A Christian Iranian friend (you can pray for him simply as 'O') was jailed because the police stopped him without having his residency papers on him. We took him his most basic belongings yesterday that he is allowed (only 4

plastic bags of stuff). His situation looks difficult. Please pray for God's intervention to get him out of there, and for God's glorification and 'O's growth in faith through this situation.


Saturday - Richard and Barbara, a European City

Pray for Amanda and her family. She and the three youngest boys (ages 10, 12 and 14) returned from the islands last month. Her marriage situation is extremely complicated and her husband is now living with a different wife. She has many heartaches; this is one more. We are thankful to be able to visit each week, open the Scriptures and help in practical ways. Pray that she will hear Christ's voice. We are currently working through the story of Joseph. Amanda's grasp of French is rudimentary but we have this portion available in her language on a phone app. She listens to it with great interest. Pray too for the boys, surrounded by many bad influences, to be kept from evil.

Sunday - Urray and Strathconnon

That our Elders and Deacons would know how to lead the congregation through the spiritual, and now economic, crisis gripping our land.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY SERVICE – ORDER OF SERVICE

<p>Carragh-cuimhne Cogaidh an Taobh Siar Westside War Memorial Service of Remembrance 2022</p> <p>They shall not grow old, as we that are left grow old; age shall not weary them. Nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning, we will remember them <i>Laurence Binyon Extract from "For the Fallen"</i></p>  <p>Remembrance Sunday is the day traditionally put aside to remember all those Who have given their lives for the peace and freedom we enjoy today. On this Day people across the nation pause to reflect on the sacrifices made by our Brave Service men and women</p> <p>10.30am Sunday 13th November 2022</p>	<p>Order of Service</p> <p>(1-5 outside, weather permitting) (6-8 outside)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) Short address2) Psalm 22: 3-5 (Gaelic)3) Short address4) Prayer5) Psalm 46: 7-10 (English)6) Two Minute Silence7) Wreaths will be laid as follows Comhairle nan Eilean Siar War Memorial Committee Cemetery Committee Hunter Family—on behalf of Soldiers and Families Graham family Shawbost fire station Shawbost School Bragar & Arnol Trust8 Benediction
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