

## 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.

12th May 2024



### WELCOME TO OUR SERVICE TODAY

Today's services will be taken by Rev Andrew Coghill (Scalpay). Our services are livestreamed at: <https://www.youtube.com/@shawbostfreechurchofscotland>

At the **12:00 noon service** the Scripture readings will be from 1 John 3. At the **6.00pm service**, the Scripture reading will be from 1 Timothy 2.

	12.00 Noon Service		6.00pm Service	
1	Psalm 138:1-5	Sing Psalms (p.179)	Psalm 43	Sing Psalms (p.54)
2	Psalm 130	Scottish Psalter (p.421)	Psalm 95:1-6	Scottish Psalter (p.357)
3	Psalm 56:1-9	Sing Psalms (p73)	Psalm 86:11-17	Sing Psalms (p.114)
4	Psalm 116:1-6	Scottish Psalter (p.395)	Psalm 143:6-10	Scottish Psalter (p.438)

### SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday school will be at the usual time today during the service and the children will go to their classes in the Hall during the second item of praise.

### SERVICES NEXT LORD'S DAY

The services next Lord's Day will be taken by Mr Scott Macleod (12pm) and Rev Gordon Matheson (6pm).

### WEEKLY PRAYER MEETING AND BIBLE STUDY

The weekly prayer meeting and Bible study on **Wednesday 15th May at 7pm** will take place in **Bragar**. Everyone is most welcome and encouraged to attend.

### SATURDAY NIGHT PRAYER MEETING

All are warmly welcome to an informal prayer meeting in the **Manse on Saturday evenings at 7pm**. Please access the Manse via the rear door.

### LADIES GROUP MEETING

The next meeting of the Ladies Group will take place on **Thursday 16th May at 7pm at Shawbost Manse**. All welcome.

### COFFEE MORNING

On **Saturday 18th May, (11.00am to 12.30pm)** there will be a coffee morning in the **Church Hall** in aid of Bethesda. Donations of baking most welcome and can be dropped off at the Church Hall from 10.00am on the day.

### GOOD NEWS FOR EVERYONE! (FORMERLY GIDEONS UK) WESTERN ISLES BRANCH ANNUAL RALLY

The Annual Rally of Good News for Everyone will take place in the Associated Presbyterian Church, Keith St, Stornoway, **Friday 7 June 2024 at 7.30 pm**. The main speaker is Bill Thomas, former National President. All Welcome - refreshments served afterwards.

"Prayer is a sincere, sensible, affectionate pouring out of the soul to God, through Christ, in the strength and assistance of the Spirit—for such things as God has promised." John Bunyan

### A WEEKEND WITH REV PHILIP & CATHERINE CAMPBELL – ST COLUMBA'S (OLD PARISH) CHURCH, LEWIS STREET, STORNOWAY

Rev Philip Campbell is recently retired from Coleraine Congregational Church, Co. Londonderry and former evangelist with The Evangelization Society UK. Catherine Campbell was born in Belfast. Catherine trusted Christ as her Saviour in her teens: walking with Him has been her life's delight. Her early working life started during N. Ireland's 'Troubles' as a student nurse in Belfast's famous Royal Victoria Hospital. In 2005 Catherine hung up her nursing uniform for the last time to devote more time to a developing ministry in writing and speaking. Her family situation was the catalyst for her writing, which started by crafting articles for a number of magazines including The Nursing Standard and Woman Alive. Then in 2008 she took the giant leap from writing articles to having her first book published. Under the Rainbow tells the story of Catherine's walk with God while caring for her daughters, and the difficult times after their deaths. Other titles include: Broken Works Best, God Knows Your Name, God Isn't Finished With You Yet, Rainbows For Rainy Days and her recently published book 'CONSIDER HIM'

Friday 17th May: 7.30pm Praise Night with testimony from Catherine Campbell (Author)

Saturday 18th May: 8.30am Women's Breakfast St Columba's Church Hall  
10.30am Fellowship Meeting with Catherine Campbell 'Broken Works Best'  
9.00am Men's Breakfast County Hotel

Sunday 19th May: 11.00am Morning Service Preacher Rev Philip Campbell  
6.30pm Praise Night with testimony from Rev Philip Campbell

It would be helpful if anyone wishing to attend either of the breakfasts could contact Maggie on 01851 705407 / 07771860119 to book a place. Refreshments served after meetings in Church Hall. There will be a book stall. ALL WELCOME

### PRAYER POINTS 13th May - 19th May 2024

#### Monday 13th May - Dumisani

Pray for Dr Patrick Diniso who is serving at two colleges presently. He is helping out at Dumisani In King Williams Town in Honours and is also acting principal at Gatyana Bible College, (Transkei). Pray that the Lord will bless his labours at each.

#### Tuesday 14th May - Edinburgh Theological Seminary

There has never been a more important time for seminary preparation than today. More than movements or celebrities, we need church leaders knowledgeable in the Bible to equip and build up the body. At Edinburgh Theological Seminary, we are dedicated to helping people know what they believe and why they believe it - to get the gospel right and to get the gospel out - as we train pastors, teachers, counselors, missionaries, and others for ministry. Please pray for God to raise up more leaders for the church.

#### Wednesday 15th May - Dumisani

Pray for Celia Theart as she teaches Research Skills in Term Two at Dumisani Theological Institute, KWT, Eastern Cape. May the hand of the Lord be with her and the students as she teaches.

#### Thursday 16th May - Rasaay

Please thank God for all He has done and continues to do, both in His wonderful plans for all His people, and in the ministry here. Pray that the ministry would be strengthened.

#### Friday 17th May - General Assembly

Pray for the General Assembly taking place next week, that wisdom would be given to commissioners and that God would be glorified in all the decisions made.

#### Saturday 18th May - Women For Mission Annual Get Together

The WfM Annual Get Together is taking place today at Livingston Free Church on Saturday 18 May at 2.00pm. In addition to being a great time for fellowship and connection we'll be sharing updates on the funds raised for WfM's 2023/24 Project. We'll also hear from individuals who've been supported by WfM in the past or will be in the upcoming year. Please give thanks for all the Lord has done and the funds he has provided for the projects and individuals. Please pray many women will come along and be encouraged in this time together of how the Lord is at work.

#### Sunday 19th May - Rasaay

Pray for the Lord to encourage his people through the week-to-week ministry of the word. Pray that the congregation would have a deep sense of Christ's love for them.