

## 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.

**17th November 2024**



### WELCOME TO OUR SERVICE TODAY

Today's services will be taken by Rev Donald A MacDonald. Our services are livestreamed at: <https://www.youtube.com/@shawbostfreechurchofscotland>

At the **12.00 noon service**, the Scripture reading will be from Luke 23:32-49. The sermon will focus on verse 44 and is entitled *The Sixth Hour*.

At the **6.00pm service**, the Scripture reading will be from Acts 3. The sermon will focus on verse 1 and is entitled *Healing at the Ninth Hour*.

	11:30 Service		6.00pm Service	
1	Ps 31:1-6	Sing Psalms, Pg 36	Ps 106:1-5	Scottish Psalter, Pg 374
2	Ps 22:14-18	Scottish Psalter, Pg 227	Ps 68:32-35	Scottish Psalter, Pg 305
3	Ps 69:15-19	Scottish Psalter, Pg 307	Ps 18:30-36	Sing Psalms, Pg 21
4	Ps 22: 22-25	Sing Psalms, Pg 27	Ps 103:1-7	Sing Psalms, Pg135

### SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School resumes and is at the normal time. The children will go to their classes during the second item of praise. Please remember the teachers and children in prayer.

### RETIRING COLLECTION - BENEVOLENT FUND

As previously intimated, to build up the congregational benevolent fund, the Deacons' Court recently agreed to arrange a retiring collection **at each of today's services**.

### SERVICES NEXT LORD'S DAY

The Services next Lord's Day will be taken by Mr Tam MacIannan (12noon) and Mr Joe MacPhee (6pm).

### PRAYER MEETING AND BIBLE STUDY

The prayer meeting and Bible study will take place on **Wednesday 20th November at 7pm in the Bragar**. Everyone is most welcome and encouraged to attend.

### SATURDAY NIGHT PRAYER MEETING

All are welcome to an informal prayer meeting in the Manse at **7pm on Saturday evenings**.

### PROVIDENCE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL PRAYER MEETING

All are warmly invited to a prayer meeting at Providence Christian School on **Monday 18th November at 7.30pm, led by Rev Greg Macdonald**. There will be a time of fellowship afterwards over a cup of tea. For those unable to join in person, a Teams option is available through [office@providencechristian.school](mailto:office@providencechristian.school).

### BETHESDA SOUP & PUDDING LUNCH - SATURDAY 7TH DECEMBER 2024

Bethesda will be holding a Soup & Pudding Lunch in the **M.A Macleod Memorial Hall, Kenneth Street**, on **Saturday 7th December from 12 Noon -2pm**. Donations of baking would be gratefully accepted at the Hall from 10am onwards, all welcome to come along.

### CHURCH BULLETIN - DISTRIBUTION LIST

The weekly bulletin sheet is uploaded to the congregation website on Saturdays and can also be emailed to individuals in advance of Lord's Day services. If you would like to be included in the church bulletin distribution list, then please advise Dan Macphail or email [dan.macphail@icloud.com](mailto:dan.macphail@icloud.com).

### PRAYING FOR ONE ANOTHER - 18th November - 24th of November 2024

#### Monday 18th November

##### Board of Ministry

Please pray for the Board of Ministry as they meet, that the Lord would grant wisdom as they make decisions and look at training ministers and raising up new leaders.

#### Tuesday 19th November

##### Turkey

Christians have lived in what is now Turkey since New Testament times. Pray for those who belong to minority communities - most of whom are at least culturally Christian - that God would revive their faith, fill them with His grace, and make them a clear witness to the majority population.

#### Wednesday 20th November

##### Callanish

Give thanks for the ministry of Rev. Malcolm Macdonald as he retires, pray that the Lord would bless his retirement richly.

#### Thursday 21st November

##### Dumisani

We give thanks to the Lord for the blessing of having Dr David Galletta recently back again from the USA teaching intensive block courses at Dumisani. He has developed a strong relationship with many of the students and local pastors. One area he was teaching was on preaching. May good fruit grow from this teaching across the Eastern Cape with Bible-centred and Christ-centred preaching.

#### Friday 22nd November

##### Turkey

Pray for the millions of refugees in Turkey and for those seeking to reach them with the Gospel. Fellowships have been established in some cities worshipping through their languages. Ask the Lord to bless those who attend, their leaders, and their ministry to their communities.

#### Saturday 23rd November

##### Callanish

Please pray for the congregation as they enter a period of vacancy, that the Lord would sustain and strengthen them.

#### Sunday 24th November

##### Dumisani

We rejoice in the provision that Dr Wilbert Chipenyu, Dumisani's principal, was able to have a speaking tour in Northern Ireland and Ireland and meet many praying folks in October during Dumisani's 45th anniversary year. May this tour help folks understand the developments taking place at Dumisani over the last five years and have a clear vision for Dumisani's ministry.

### THE LARGER CATECHISM

#### Q. 17. Into what estate did the fall bring mankind?

A. The fall brought mankind into an estate of sin and misery.

[Rom. 5:12.](#)

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*"God knew what we were before conversion – wicked, guilty and defiled; yet he loved us. He knows what we will be after conversion – weak, erring and frail; yet he loves us." (JC Ryle)*

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*"Christ went more willingly to the cross than we do to the throne of grace" (Thomas Watson)*

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