

High Free Church Stornoway



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Sunday 1 September 2019

We welcome you all to today's services. We pray that you may know God's presence with us as we gather to worship in His name. We extend a warm welcome to any who are visiting with us.

Today's Services:

English (Main Hall)

11.00am: Mr Robert France

6.30pm: Rev. Jodo Davidson

Rev Ferrier will be preaching at the North Tolsta Communion Services

Gaelic (Small Hall)

6.30pm: Rev. James Macdonald

Services for Sunday 8 September 2019 are as follows:

English (Main Hall)

11.00am and 6.30pm – Rev. Hugh Ferrier

Gaelic (Small Hall)

6.30pm: Rev. Roddy Morrison

Sunday School and crèche meet during the morning service. Please meet in the front foyer for directions.

Prayer meetings

All prayer meetings will be held in the the Fàilte Centre, Bayhead (formerly Lewis Retirement Centre), at 7.30pm unless otherwise stated.

Tuesday 3 September 2019 (English) – Martin Dudgeon, Platform 67

Tea will be served after the meeting. Please stay behind for a time of fellowship if you are able to.

Thursday 5 September 2019 (Gaelic) – Rev. Hugh Ferrier

Saturday 7 September 2019 (English)

Sunday school commences this morning for all children from Primary 1 upwards.

Saturday set up – 7 September 5.00pm

Calum Maclean

DJ Macleod

Murdo Macleod

Saturday set up – 14 September 5.00pm

Ian McLeman

DL Chisholm

Kieran McEwan

Roddy Ferguson

Please note - The school has asked that the hall be left set up following our evening service as it is now having Monday morning assembly. We are grateful for this.

Stuart Townend Concert - Friday 6 September

Could those who have purchased a ticket for the concert be aware that the doors will open at 6.45pm. Seating is unallocated so if you are in a group it would be advisable to arrive early to make sure that you can sit together. Parking will be available in the car park opposite the council offices or at the Nicolson Institute car park on Smith Avenue. Blue Badge parking only in the Sports Centre car park. CDs will be available to purchase on the night at £10 each and refreshments will be available to buy from the cafe during the break. We are also looking for willing volunteers to remain behind for a few minutes after the concert to help us fold away the 200 extra seats we have had to borrow from a couple of the churches in order to increase the capacity of the Sports Centre. Many hands make light work, so if anyone is able to help out that would be very much appreciated.

If anyone has tickets and is unable to attend please advertise it on the event page on Facebook in case anyone would like to buy it from you. Alternatively you can contact Rachel or Alec Mackenzie, or Karen France to advertise it for you.

Western Isles Free Church Mission Support Group

There will be a light lunch on Saturday 14 September from 12.00pm-2.00pm in the Rev. M A Macleod Memorial Hall, Kenneth Street, to raise funds for Muriel Macleod, Cambodia, and Catriona Macdonald, Peru. All are very welcome to attend. Donations for the baking stall will be gratefully received.

Testimony Book And Tract Drop

Alongside the testimony book for prayerfully giving to someone, which you will be able to take with you today, we also hope to do a tract drop to 3 housing areas on Wednesday 11 September. We plan to meet in the Cearns Community Ceilidh House (beside the shop) at 7.00pm. If you would like to help with the tract drop, please let Rev. Hugh, Donnie Maclean or Jodo Davidson know or stay behind for a few minutes after the prayer meeting on Tuesday. The tract drop will be done in pairs. Please remember both initiatives in prayer as a means of starting a conversation about the Gospel.

Communion Tokens

Could anyone who did not hand in tokens last Sunday, please return them so the correct number can be returned. Thanks.

Thanks

Sincere thanks to those who helped in the Manse with meals over the Communion weekend. Also a big thanks for all the food and baking provided for the after church fellowship, it is very much appreciated.

Leavers

Sadly, as some new faces join, we are sorry to mention that some of our lovely young people are going to the mainland to begin a new chapter in their lives. We wish them all well in the different cities and studies, and ask for your prayers for them. We wish all those going away in coming weeks, God's keeping and blessing.

New Members

Over the past weekend the Kirk Session met with and were pleased to welcome into the congregation:

By profession of faith - Margaret Morrison, Macdonald Road

By transfer certificate - Ewan & Bethany Finlayson, Garrabost

We hope and pray that they will be blessed in the congregation.

Rev John Shearer has messaged to say that his wife Jan has had her hip replacement operation and is home and improving. Thanks for your prayers.

Tea Rota

September: Isobel Coutts, Agnes Macleod, Margaret Macleod,
Katie Morrison. Margaret Maciver

Sunday Door Duty

September: D Rankin, N Maciver, G Macleod, R France

Tuesday Door Duty

3 September: I McLeman

10 September: A Macleod

Saturday Prayer Meeting

7 September: J Davidson

Crèche Rota

1 September: Cathie Maclean, Janet Macleod, Pat Morrison

8 September: Dawn Spark, Jenna Spark, Erica Buchanan

15 September: Murdina France, Marion France, Ishbel Campbell

22 September: Peggy Martin, Isabella Duncan, Dolly Paterson

29 September: Catherine Ross, Janice Macleod, Mairi Murray

If you are unavailable on your dates, please arrange cover. Thank you.

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Prayer news: August 2019

Prayer underpins and runs through everything we do. Thank you for joining with us.

City Centre

- Some of our guests who have been with us for many years are feeling that their problems are insurmountable and that they are stuck in their lives. They can be full of self-loathing. Please pray for wisdom for staff, and pray too for breakthroughs for our guests – that God would be at work and they would experience positive change in their lives.
- Please pray for wisdom and guidance for those of our guests who are struggling with poor mental health. Pray too for our project team as we seek to support our guests, and for strengthened links with mental health agencies.
- We have been able to help the son of one of our guests go to Scripture Union Camp. He worries about his son, and was keen to find activities for him during the holidays. When he realised his son would be away somewhere fun and safe for a week he said, "I can relax!" Please pray that the son would have a great time at camp.

Child and Family Centre, Govan

- Give thanks for an amazing four weeks of our family holiday club, where families had fun, made new friends and deepened existing relationships, without the strain which the school holidays can often bring. Please pray that we will be able to link the families who we met for the first time at the club into our regular activities.
- Please pray for energy, health and wisdom for our team as they get ready for a new term. Pray too that the children who will be starting nursery are feeling excited about this new phase in their lives and will quickly settle in at the nursery.
- Pray that the children who graduated from our nursery and are now ready to start school will get off to a great start at the beginning of the school year. Pray that they will come to our after school club, so we can continue to invest in their lives.

Glasgow Winter Night Shelter

- Please pray for the recruitment process of Staff Workers and Team Leaders for the Glasgow Winter Night Shelter. Pray that we will recruit a team who will provide the very best care to men and women who would otherwise be at risk of sleeping rough during the coldest winter months.



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*I will say to the Lord, "My refuge and my fortress,
my God, in whom I trust."*

Psalm 91:2