

Showing the greatness of Jesus Christ within our community and beyond

Sunday 8 June 2025

Welcome to our services today. 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 visitors and pray

God's blessing for all.



This week's Services

11.00am English Service in Sandwick Hall – Rev Hugh Ferrier

Sermon Title: "A Moment Of Doubt"

Sermon Text: Luke 7: 18-35

Sunday School and Creche will meet during the morning's service.

Brunch will be served after this morning's service. All are very welcome to stay behind and enjoy a time of fellowship together.

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6.30pm: English Service in The Seminary – Rev Hugh Ferrier

Sermon Title: "The Christian's Spiritulaity"

Sermon Text: Romans 8: 5-11

Both services will be live streamed on the Church's YouTube Channel

Prayer meetings

All prayer meetings will be held in the Fàilte Centre, Bayhead at 7.30pm, unless otherwise stated. Please contact us for Zoom details if you are unable to attend in person.

English Tuesday 10 June 25 – Rev Hugh Ferrier

Bilingual meeting Thursday 12 June 25 – Rev Hugh Ferrier

Saturday 14 June 25 – Zoom meeting

Services for Sunday 15 June 2025 are as follows:

11.00am: English Service – Sandwick Hall – Rev Hugh Ferrier

6.30pm: English Service – The Seminary – Mr Donnie Rankin

Rev Ferrier will be speaking at The Faith Mission



HFC Toddlers

Toddlers will meet on Thursday 12 June from 10am – 11.30am in The Failte Centre. Mums, Dads, carers, babies and all pre-school children are welcome to come along.

Kirk Session

There will be a meeting of the Kirk Session on Monday 9th June at 7pm in The Failte Centre.

Deacons Court

There will be a meeting of The Deacons Court on Wed 11 Jun at 7.30pm in the Failte Centre.

Sunday Evening Fellowship

There will be a fellowship after the evening service on Sunday 15th June. Rosie Morgan who is one of the speakers at our ladies conference will share her testimony. All are very welcome and any donations of baking would be greatly appreciated.

Free Church Camps

We are delighted again to be supporting the work and outreach of Free church camps and again we are supporting Oswestry Senior camp. We would ask for prayer for the final weeks planning and preparations, with Ashley and Ali MacLeod from our own congregation as part of the Leaders Team. More details will follow in the next few weeks.

FCYC Adopt a Camp. Oswestry Senior 2. Take away meal appeal

As a congregation we are again adopting this camp. The team leaders are Ally Macleod and Ashley Macleod. Two of the cooks are from our congregation and Donald John Maclean is also a leader. So it's going to be a great HFC camp presence and we are so grateful for that.

In past years HFC sponsored a takeaway meal for the campers, which gives the cooks an evening out of the kitchen. If you wish to contribute to this offering please place it in an envelope and mark it for 'Camp Meal'. The leaders are so indebted to you all for this continued support.



Free Church Friends Facebook page - NEW

There has been a new Facebook page created called Free Church Friends. It is not the official Free Church Facebook Page, instead, a collection of people, young and old, who, together, form the wonder that is the Free Church of Scotland!! Add all your FC friends, upload church/YF photos and also please give us some congregation news.

If you wish to join the Group, PLEASE answer the membership questions. If the admins can't verify your account, you will not be permitted to join the group. Please keep your posts relevant to the Free Church, her theology, and mission No adverts though please! Please try to keep posts focused on the Free Church. Commenting may be turned off in hunc effectum in certain circumstances. The moderators reserve the right to remove posts/ members which breach these guidelines.

Remember to also like the official Free Church Facebook page www.facebook.com/freechurchofscotland the website www.freechurch.org and to follow on Twitter @freechurchscot

Brunch Bunch.

We are pleased to invite you to stay behind this week and share Brunch with us. It is great to have folks meeting together and sharing in a meal. As part of the Brunch provision, we deliver filled rolls and pancakes to the Acres Centre for homeless folks in our community. If you are able to support this work it really would be appreciated. To do this just place a donation into the box at the door in an envelope marked 'Brunch'. Thanks very much in anticipation, The Brunch Bunch

LCEA Public Lecture & AGM

The Lewis Christian Education Association, who run Providence Christian School, will be holding a public lecture in the Croft Room, Caladh Inn, on Friday 13th June at 7.30pm. The speaker for the evening will be Niel Deepnarain from Unite for Education and his lecture is entitled 'Responding to a Challenging Culture: Why Christian Education is Important.' The LCEA's AGM will be held at 6.30pm. All welcome.



Western Isles Teacher Meet-up

To all Christian Teachers and School Workers in the Western Isles, you're warmly invited to join Christian Values in Education Scotland Chair, Megan Patterson, for an informal evening of fellowship and encouragement on Tuesday, 24 June 2025, at 7:30 pm in M A Memorial Upper Hall. As you approach the well-deserved summer holidays, let's celebrate this milestone together with some light refreshments and uplifting conversation. CVE Scotland Trustee (and local Primary HT) Kirsteen Maclean will also be present, eager to connect at this event during the last week of the school term. This is a chance to unwind, reflect on the school year, and find encouragement as you live out our faith in education. Whether you're a teacher, support staff, or school worker, come and be refreshed in a supportive community. We would also love to hear from you about how CVE Scotland can better support Christian school workers. Tickets are FREE!

HFC Crèche

Our creche needs your help. We are looking for new volunteers to join the Crèche rota. Parents/families of children attending crèche are also requested to join the rota. The more volunteers we have the better so everyone has a number of weeks between shifts. Please contact Carla Mackay on 07833770864 or email hfc.creche@btinternet.com

Help Wanted!

Our partner congregation in Duirinish are planning some renovation work on their church building over the summer and are looking for help with removing pews. They're also seeking help with visiting some homes in the community as well as running a barbecue. This will be taking place from Wednesday 16th July until Monday 21st July. If you're able to help on all (or even some!) of these days, please speak to Hugh.



PRISEIL LADIES CONFERENCE (update)

The Priseil Ladies Conference will take place on the evening of **Friday 13**th **June (7:30-9:00pm) and all day Saturday 14**th **June 2025 (10am – 4pm) in the Rev M.A. Macleod Memorial Hall on Kenneth Street.**

The speaker will be Rosie Morgan from Seaford in East Sussex. The theme for the weekend will be "More Precious than Rubies" and over the course of the conference, Rosie will be speaking on three beautiful women found in the Gospel accounts - Mary the Mother of Jesus, Mary of Bethany and Mary Magdalene.

In addition, Kay Macdonald, the Scottish representative for the Slavic Gospel Association's (SGA) Phoebe Project will be speaking about some of the women's projects SGA support.

Two thirds of our spaces have been booked up already. We want to encourage any ladies in the congregation who think they would like to join us but who have not yet booked up to do so as we intend going out to other congregations during May to offer them any spaces which remain.

Please don't delay and get your booking in soon, as spaces for this event are limited. Please use the link below to complete and submit your booking form.

https://forms.office.com/r/PbViWBFBfz

If you have no means to complete a booking form electronically, please speak to Natalie Ferrier or Janice Macleod who will be happy to help you with your booking details.

Please also soak this event in prayer as we prepare for it. Remember the committee and the speakers and pray that the hearts of all who attend would be prepared in advance.



Save the Date

LCEA Public Lecture – 13th June- Caladh Inn Ladies Conference – 13th & 14th June- M A Macleod Hall Lewis Christian Conference- 19th-21st June -St Columba's Church Christian Values in Education meeting- 24 June – M A Macleod Upper Hall

Blythswood Appeal – 28th June – Nicolson Institute Bus Park





Speakers - Rosie Morgan & Kav Macdonald

Friday 13th June 2025 (7:30-9:00pm) & Saturday 14th June 2025 (10:00am-4:00pm)

> Rev. M.A. Macleod Memorial Hall Kenneth Street, Stornoway

Donations to be taken at door for Slavic Gospel Association's Phoebe Project and Western Isles Pregnancy Crisis Support

To book please use the following link:
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BLYTHSWOOD APPEAL

SAT 28th JUNE 9:30AM - 12:00 NOON

NICOLSON INSTITUTE BUS PARK OFF SMITH AVENUE, STORNOWAY

A LORRY TRAILER WILL BE SITUATED IN THE NICOLSON INSTITUTE
BUS PARK OFF SMITH AVENUE FOR DONATIONS OF THE FOLLOWING
IN GOOD CONDITION PLEASE:

CLEAN CLOTHES - ADULTS AND CHILDREN, REUSABLE FOOTWEAR / SPORT WEAR, BRIC-A-BRAC IN GOOD CONDITION, CROCKERY AND CUTLERY, PANS, TOYS-COMPLETE AND NOT BROKEN, CLEAN SOFT TOYS, KNIT WEAR (ONLY HATS, SCARVES AND GLOVES), BIKES IN GOOD CONDITION, CLEAN SHEETS, PILLOW CASES, TOWELS

(DONATION BAGS/BOXES SHOULD BE MARKED WITH THE CONTENTS THERE IN, PLEASE)

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AND ALSO ON THE DAY INTO THE DONATION BUCKETS - THANK YOU

ARRANGEMENTS ON THE DAY

VEHICLES CAN DRIVE INTO THE BUS PARK FOLLOWING THE **ONE WAY SYSTEM** AND DROP OF THE DONATION PLEASE AT THE BACK OF THE TRAILER

AND DEPART OUT ONTO SMITH AVENUE BEING VERY CAREFUL WHEN JOINING

THE MAIN ROAD - STEWARDS WILL BE ON DUTY.

FURTHER INFORMATION FROM

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HELPING THOSE IN NEED - CHARITY NUMBER SC048001

THANKS TO VOLUNTEERS, COMMUNITY ORGANISATIONS, BUSINESSES: DFDS, CALMAC, COAST GUARDS AND CNES



Lewis Christian Conference 2025

Speaker - Bill Bygroves

In addition to his work at Bridge Chapel, Pastor Bill Bygroves serves as the club chaplain for Liverpool Football Club, providing spiritual and emotional support to players and staff

St Columba's Church, Lewis Street (kindly granted) Thursday 19 - Saturday 21 June

THEME: PSALMS FOR THE SOUL



Thursday 19 June @7.30pm	When God seems far away (Psalm 13)
Friday 20 June @ 7.30pm	From Guilt to Grace (Psalm 130)
Friday 20 June @ 9.00pm	After Hours Youth Event @ County Hotel
Saturday 21 June @ 10.30am	90mins Football and Faith @ Caladh Inn
Saturday 21 June @ 7.30pm	Treasured (Psalm 103)
Sunday 22 June @ 11.00am	St Columba's Church of Scotland, Stornoway
Sunday 22 June @ 6,00pm	Back Free Church (followed by a fellowship meeting

The Praise will be led by The High Free and the Carloway Free Church Praise Bands

There will be a door collection at conference meetings to help cover expenses

ALL ARE VERY WELCOME TO ATTEND

Behold, how good and pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity. Psalm 133



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Any items for the bulletin should be forwarded to our email address before 4.00pm on Thursdays. Thank you.

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First Aid Kit and Evacuation Chair

If required, a first aid kit and wheelchair are to be made available in the following locations:

Sandwick Hall: First Aid Kit - In the kitchen area inside the door nearest to the main entrance. Wheelchair - In the crèche room to the right as you enter the building.

Seminary: <u>First Aid Kit</u> - Kitchen area next to the exit door behind the pulpit. <u>Wheelchair</u> - In the storage room through the exit midway down the sanctuary on the left-hand side.

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