

Showing the greatness of Jesus Christ within our community and beyond

Sunday 22 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: "The Feeding Of The Five Thousand" Sermon Text: Mark 3: 30-44

All age service including the Sunday School Prizegiving

Creche will meet during the morning's service.

Sunday school - End of Term Brunch. Everyone is welcome to the end of term brunch this Sunday after the morning service. Please stay to celebrate the beginning of the holidays. There will be a selection of sandwiches, puddings and other treats.

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

Sermon Title: "The Christian's Sonship" Sermon Text: Romans 8: 12-17

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 24 June 25 – Rev Hugh Ferrier

Gaelic meeting Thursday 26 June 25 Saturday 28 June 28 – Zoom meeting

Services for Sunday 29 June 2025 are as follows:

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

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



Ladies Conference – A Heartfelt Thank You

The Ladies Conference Committee would like to extend sincere thanks to everyone who contributed to making this event so special.

- To our wonderful speakers thank you for travelling to be with us and for sharing such encouraging and challenging messages.
- To the High Free Church thank you for granting us permission to host the conference and for your generous financial and prayerful support.
- To the Kenneth Street congregation thank you for the use of the M.A. Hall, and a special thanks to Lizzy, whose behind-the-scenes work keeps everything running smoothly.
- To the ladies who brought their beautiful stalls we so appreciated browsing and enjoying your displays.
- To all who worked tirelessly in the kitchen thank you for the delicious food and your hard work
- To those who led us in worship the praise was beautiful and so uplifting
- To those who prayed for the event, and especially to those who offered prayers during the conference itself your spiritual support deeply enriched our time together.
- To those who donated food, crafts, and parting gifts your generosity did not go unnoticed.
- To all who attended your presence and fellowship made these days truly special.
- To all who donated to our charity collection we raised £1343 to be divided between the Phoebe Project (SGA) and Western Isles Pregnancy Crisis Support.
- Thank you to the committee for their dedication and hard work in organising every detail of the conference.



New Summer Sermon Series

Next Sunday morning we're beginning a five-part sermon series on the Book of Jonah. As we look at this well-known story, we'll see how the grace of God shines brightly despite Jonah's graceless attitude and actions. If you haven't been to one of our morning services before or have got out of the way of going, we'd love to see you!

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.

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



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 <u>www.freechurch.org</u> and to follow on Twitter @freechurchscot

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!**



Monthly record.

For those who order Monthly record could they now please enclose payment for the next 6 months. The cost has increased and for next while the magazine will be every 2 months. Please enclose £18 with your name on envelopes.

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.

Save the Date

Christian Values in Education meeting- 24 June – M A Macleod Upper Hall

Blythswood Appeal – 28th June – Nicolson Institute Bus Park Duirinish Trip – 16th-21st July





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)

FINANCE DONATIONS CAN BE GIVEN TO BLYTHSWOOD. SORT CODE - 80-91-26 ACCOUNT NUMBER 10413664 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



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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: <u>First Aid Ki</u>t - In the kitchen area inside the door nearest to the main entrance. <u>Wheelchair</u> - 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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