



High Free Church
Stornoway

*Showing the greatness of Jesus Christ
within our community and beyond*

Sunday 11 January 2026

***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

11.00 am English Service in Sandwick Hall – Rev Hugh Ferrier

Sermon Title: “The Seeking Shepherd”

Sermon Text: Luke 15: 1-7

Sunday School and Crèche will meet during this morning's service.

Brunch will be served after this morning service., All are very welcome to stay behind and enjoy some fellowship together

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

Sermon Title: “The Way To Heaven”

Sermon Text: John 14: 1-6

Both services will be livestreamed 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 13 Jan – Mr Roddy Ferguson

Gaelic Thursday 15 Jan -

English Saturday 17 Jan – Zoom meeting

Services for Sunday 18 January 2026 are as follows:

11.00am: English Service – Sandwick Hall – Mr Calum Campbell

6.30pm: English Service – The Seminary – Mr Robert France

Rev Ferrier hopes to be at In-service training in Edinburgh from Monday 12 January to Thursday 15th January

HFC Toddlers

Toddlers will meet on Thursday 15 January from 10am – 11.30am in The Failte Centre. Mums, Dads, carers, babies, and all pre-school children are welcome to come along.

Bereaved.

A number of those in our congregation have lost loved ones over the past. We were very sorry to hear of the sudden death of Donald Fraser who died at home on New Year's Day. We commend Jean Ann, his daughters Amy and Emma along with his brothers John and Duncan and his sisters Rae and Rhona. We also remember Jean Ann's family - JJ, Maggie and Kenny - and their much-loved grandchildren.

We were also very sorry to hear of the passing of Mary Clark from Newmarket following a time of illness. We remember her sister Rhoda Mackay and their brother Donnie in Inverness, along with Mary's nieces and nephews.

Finally, we prayerfully remember the Macrae family following the passing of Malcolm's father Robbie in Bethesda. We extend our heartfelt sympathy and prayers for Malcolm, Joanna and the boys along with Malcolm's brother Andrew and his sister Ann in the loss of their much-loved father and grand father. In the midst of grief and sorrow we are grateful for the comfort and assurance of the Lord's presence and promises in these days.

Annual LDOS Prayer Meeting

The annual LDOS prayer meeting is due to take place at 8.30pm on Lord's Day 11th January 2026 in the APC building on Keith Street. All are encouraged to attend

Ladies' WhatsApp group

Our Ladies WhatsApp group "Hope In Challenging Times" provides information, news, prayer requests etc and is a great way to keep in touch with what's going on in the congregation. It is available for any of the ladies so if you who wish to be added to the group speak to Natalie Ferrier or Margaret Macleod

Men's WhatsApp Group

Our Men's WhatsApp group "Men Do Pray" similarly provides information, news, prayer requests etc and is a great way to keep in touch with what's going on in the congregation. It is available for any of the men so if you who wish to be added to the group speak to Hugh or David Morrison.

Mailing List

Each week our notice sheet is emailed to the congregation in addition to Prayer Points and Zoom links for the Prayer Meetings. If you would like to be added to the mailing list, please speak to Hugh.

Ordination Of Elders

On Monday 9th June 2025, the Kirk Session of the High Free Church, Stornoway judged that Mr Donald Macleod and Mr Jamie Maclean are duly qualified for the office of elder. These men have both expressed their willingness to serve in this office. On Tuesday 2nd December 2025 the Kirk Session appointed the ordination and admission to the office of the eldership of Donald Macleod and Jamie Maclean to take place, God willing, at the morning service of the Lord's Day, 25th January 2026. It is therefore intimated that, if any member of the congregation wish to state any objection to the life or doctrine of Donald Macleod or Jamie Maclean, he or she will have opportunity at a meeting of the Kirk Session prior to the 11am service on the 25th January 2026.

Election Of Deacons

The Kirk Session have agreed that following the ordination of our new elders there will be an election of deacons. All male members over the age of 21 can be nominated by members of the congregation. We would therefore ask that the congregation makes this is a matter of prayer over the next few weeks.

CHRISTMAS DEVOTIONALS

Many thanks to everyone who watched our advent devotional videos and to those who shared them. The videos have a permanent home on our website. Special thanks to all 25 contributors who took time to share the Word and some thoughts on the passages.

We hope these videos have been a great encouragement, proclaiming the Good News that God gave us

Evangelism/Outreach Sub-Committee

The Kirk Session have agreed to set up a sub-committee for outreach and evangelism in an effort to encourage the gospel witness of the congregation. Donnie Maclean will be the coordinator of this committee and again further information about the personnel and work of this committee will be forthcoming

2026 YOUTH CONFERENCE.

Looking for a weekend to step away from the noise, deepen your faith, and reconnect with God's people? Join us for a weekend of worship, teaching, and fellowship at Lendrick Muir, from Friday 13th to Sunday 15th March 2026. This conference is created for young adults aged 18–30 and is always a special time of encouragement, renewal, and meaningful connection with others from across the church.

Main Speaker

We're delighted to welcome Rev Cory Brock from St Columba's Free Church of Scotland, who will be speaking about the Holy Spirit.

Key Information

- **When:** Friday 13th – Sunday 15th March 2026
- **Where:** Lendrick Muir
- **Who:** Ages 18–30

What to expect

Across the weekend, you can look forward to:

- *Christ-centred talks*
- *Times of worship and prayer*
- *Seminars and testimonies*
- *Space to relax, reflect, and connect*
- *And, of course, great food, thanks to our fantastic team of cooks who have served us so well in recent years!*

Book your place here

- https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdDIhs32t4X76muFgO643112prtW891DaXNn_d8QVTxXhPmzA/viewform?fbclid=PAZXh0bgNhZW0CMTEAc3J0YwZhcHBfaWQMMjU2MjgxMDQwNTU4AAGnxoCyuD_ZrnU9IPCwlCeGzKhGSsCaB1zD1wHKD5FUqvUElDpRusW2Gzpeg0Y_aem_POkcYTA9i2nTIDr2bkQ4ww

Passion For Life

The Kirk Session have agreed that the congregation will take part in the "Life 26" nationwide gospel mission next year. More information about this will be made available in the new year. In the meantime you can find out about it on the Passion for Life website - <https://www.apassionforlife.org.uk/>

Save the Date

Back to Church Sunday – Sunday 11 January 2026

LDOS Prayer Meeting – Sunday 11 January – APC Church

Big YF Event – Friday 23 January – Coll Centre

**Priseil Afternoon of Fellowship with Rosie Morgan - Saturday
24th January 2026 - 2pm-4pm – M A Macleod Hall**

Youth Conference – 13-15 March 2026 – Lendrick Muir (Kinross)

PRISEIL LADIES - AFTERNOON OF FELLOWSHIP

*The Priseil Ladies will be holding an Afternoon of Fellowship on the afternoon of **Saturday 24th January from 2:00-4:00pm**. This event will take place **in the Rev M.A. Macleod Memorial Hall on Kenneth Street**.*

There will be praise and worship and afternoon tea as we fellowship with one another. We are also delighted that Rosie Morgan who was our speaker at the Ladies Conference in June 2025 will bring us a New Year message all the way from Seaford in East Sussex via Zoom.

We want to encourage any ladies in the congregation who would like to join us that afternoon to do so. We hope and pray that it will be a time of blessing for us all. Please use the link below to complete and submit your booking form.

Priseil Ladies Afternoon of Fellowship with Rosie Morgan – Fill in form

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.

A collection which will be taken on the day will be donated to the Phoebe Project which is the Women's Ministry connected to the Slavic Gospel Association. The committee would also be pleased to receive donations of baking to help with the afternoon tea from any of the ladies in the congregation.

Please soak this event in prayer as we prepare for it. Pray that the hearts of all who attend would be prepared in advance.



Saturday 24th January 2026

2:00-4:00pm

Rev. M.A. Macleod Memorial Hall

Kenneth Street, Stornoway

To book please use the following link:
Priseil Ladies Afternoon of Fellowship with Rosie Morgan – Fill in form or
contact priseil.hfc@outlook.com

Donations to be taken at door for Slavic Gospel Association's Phoebe Project







ATTENTION!

**HFC are restarting Youth
Fellowship in 2026!**

**We will be meeting every second
Tuesday after the prayer meeting
in the Failte Centre from
8:30pm-9:45pm**

Scan the QR code below to register
interest or get in touch with Lexie
Sangster Or Mairi Macleod



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Spangy Murray – Interim Sunday School Team Leader -

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: First Aid Kit - *Kitchen area next to the exit door behind the pulpit.*

Wheelchair - *In the storage room through the exit midway down the sanctuary on the left-hand side.*

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<https://www.youtube.com/@highfreechurchstornoway6602>

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