



High Free Church
Stornoway

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

Sunday 8 February 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: “Behold Your God: Part 3”

Sermon Text: Isaiah 40:27-31

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: “A Quick Knockout”

Sermon Text: 1 Samuel 17: 41-54

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 10 Feb – Rev Hugh Ferrier

The Kirk Session will meet after tonight's service.

Gaelic Thursday 12 Feb –

English Saturday 14 Feb – Zoom meeting

Services for Sunday 15 February 2026 are as follows:

11.00am: English Service – Sandwick Hall – Rev Andrew Macleod

6.30pm: English Service – The Seminary – Rev Andrew Macleod

HFC Toddlers

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

Communion Services

Thursday 12th February - 7.30pm - Gaelic Service in the Failte Centre - Rev. Iain Thomson (Garrabost)

Saturday 14th February - 7.30pm - English Service in the Sandwick Hall - Rev. Andrew ("Mowgli") Macleod (New City Church, Dunfermline)

Sunday 15th February - 11am - English Communion Service in the Sandwick Hall - Rev. Andrew ("Mowgli") Macleod (New City Church, Dunfermline)

Sunday 15th February - 6.30pm - English Service in the Seminary - Rev. Andrew ("Mowgli") Macleod (New City Church, Dunfermline)

A fellowship will be held after the Sunday evening service where Rev. Macleod will share about the Lord's work in his life. All are very welcome to attend

Bereaved.

We were very sorry to hear off the sudden passing of Alec Dan Nicolson, Marybank at home last Sunday. We remember Alec Dan who was very regular at our services until ill health prevented him. We assure his wife Catherine, sons John Murdo (Skye) and Allan (Marybank) and their families of our prayers and heartfelt sympathy and that they will all know the promises of God's word realised in this sore time .

Brunch Bunch

We are looking to add some folks to the kitchen team for Brunches. To do this you need to have food safety training (HFC will pay for an online food safety course if you are willing to undertake it). Just speak to any of the brunch bunch to volunteer or email donald.macleod@freechurch.org.

FCYC marmalade.

It's that time of year again! We have taken delivery of lots of jars of homemade marmalade. All profits go to assist with the Camps programme. To get a jar or two take your £3 per jar in an envelope to church on Sunday.

Weekly freewill envelopes

*The new issue of weekly giving envelopes will be ordered soon. If you **no longer wish to receive envelopes** and plan to give via online banking, please let Chris Martin know so envelopes are not ordered unnecessarily. Alternatively, If you would like to begin donating to the congregation using weekly giving envelopes, please add your name to the list on the clipboard at the door.*

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

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.

Election Of Deacons

*As previously intimated, following the Kirk sessions decision to increase the number of Deacon's, all members should collect a voting form and envelope from the office bearers on duty today. The forms should be signed and returned at the church door **by Tuesday 17th February**.*

PRISEIL LADIES CONFERENCE 2026

The Conference will take place this year on Friday 12th (7:30-9:00pm) and Saturday 13th June 2026 (10:00-4:00pm) in the Rev. M.A. Macleod Memorial Hall, Kenneth Street, Stornoway. The speaker will be Paula Buchel

SLAVIC GOSPEL ASSOCIATION - PHOEBE PROJECT

The Slavic Gospel Association will be holding their 4th Phoebe Online Women's Conference on Monday 9th February at 7.30pm. Their guests will be:

Christine Steingardt from **Kazakhstan**, discussing gift distribution through the Joy of Christmas project

Kateryna Nikonorova from **Ukraine**, sharing her personal reflections on living on the front line.

Bohuslava Havrilova from **Slovakia**, covering her varied ministry among Roma women and children.

To register **for the first time**, please complete the form at the link below, or contact the SGA office: office@sqa.org.uk.

[Phoebe Online Women's Conference - Slavic Gospel Association](#)

Those who have **registered for previous online Phoebe conferences** will be sent the link automatically and do not need to re-register.

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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/1FAIpQLSdDIhs32t4X76muFqO643112prtW891DaXNn_d8QVTxXhPmzA/viewform?fbclid=PAZXh0bgNhZWOCMTAc3JOYwZhcHBfaWQMMjU2MjgxDQwNTU4AAGnxoCyuD_ZrnU9IPCw/CeGzKhGSsCaB1zD1wHKD5FUqvUEIDpRusW2Gzpeg0Y_aem_POkcYTA9i2nTIDr2bkQ4ww

Save the Date

Ladies Testimony Evening – Newton Centre – Weds 4 March at 7.30pm (more information to follow)

Preaching Pathways Workshop – 2/3/26 and 20/4/26

Youth Conference – 13-15 March 26 – Lendrick Muir (Kinross)

Priseil Ladies Conference – M A Macleod Hall – 12th - 13th June



The poster features a purple border and a purple background. On the left, there is a circular logo with the text "Save the date" in a stylized font. In the center, the text "Priseil Ladies Conference" is written in a large, elegant, cursive script. Below this, the dates and times are listed: "Friday 12th June 2026 (7:30-9:00pm) & Saturday 13th June 2026 (10:00am-4:00pm)". At the bottom, it says "With Paula Buchel". On the right side, there is a decorative, colorful floral or scrollwork design.

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Stornoway Free Church – Schedule of Communion Services

Wednesday 11th February 2026

7.30pm - English	Francis Street Seminary	Rev Colin Macleod
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This service will be livestreamed on YouTube (Channel name – *Free Church Seminary Stornoway*). The service will **NOT** be available on Zoom.

Thursday 12th February 2026

7.30pm - Gaelic	Francis Street Seminary	Mr Murdo Martin
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Kirk Session will meet in the Seminary following the service

Friday 13th February 2026

Services		Preacher
8.00am	Kenneth St Session room	Prayer Meeting - Elders
7.30pm - Gaelic	Francis Street Seminary	Rev Calum Macdonald
7.30pm - English	Kenneth Street Church	Rev Alasdair Macleod

Kirk Session meets in Kenneth St Session room following the services

Saturday 14th February 2026

Services		Preacher
8.00am	Kenneth St Session room	Prayer Meeting - Elders
11.00am - Gaelic	Francis Street Seminary	Rev Calum Macdonald

Kirk Session meets in Seminary Session room following the service

7.00pm - English	Kenneth Street Church	Rev Alasdair Macleod
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Kirk Session meets in Kenneth St Session room following the service

Lord's Day 15th February 2026

Services		Preacher
8.00am	Kenneth St Session room	Prayer Meeting - Elders
11.00am - Gaelic	Francis Street Seminary	Rev Calum Macdonald
11.00am - English	Kenneth Street Church	Rev Alasdair Macleod
6.30pm - English		

There will be a congregational fellowship in the Rev M A Macleod Memorial Hall following the evening service.

The services will be livestreamed, God willing, as follows:-

English Services – YouTube (Channel name

Stornoway Free Church).

Gaelic Services – YouTube (Channel name –

Free Church Seminary Stornoway).

**Ladies' Testimony and Praise
Evening
Wednesday 4th March
Newton Community Centre
7:30pm
All welcome**



Youth/Congregational Worker

The High Free Church, Stornoway is a growing and vibrant congregation. To support the ongoing work of the congregation, we are now seeking to appoint an energetic and enthusiastic individual with a passion for working with young people and encouraging them in their Christian faith.

Applicants must have previous experience in youth/pastoral work, will be self-motivated and able to work on their own initiative. They will have the ability to build trusting relationships and possess good organisational, IT and communications skills.

The post holder will be implementing decisions integral to the furtherance of the congregation's mission, there for it is essential that applicants are sympathetic to the mission and ethos of the Free Church of Scotland.

In accordance with the Equality Act 2010, there is a Genuine Occupational Requirement that the job holder is a practising Christian with an active Christian faith.

Details of the post are;

Salary: £22,064 pro-rata

Working Hours: 17.5 hours per week

Contract length: 1 year with the possibility of annual renewal

Location: Stornoway

Closing Date: 22 February 2026

To apply: To request a full job description and application details, email chrismart3@gmail.com

Applications must be submitted by the closing date above.

Presbytery

SCALADALE KIDS CAMP

P6 – P7

27th – 30th March

Cost: £50

Booking Form goes live
8am Monday 9th February

<https://forms.office.com/r/DnkHmTcdn1>



Rev. Hugh Ferrier - Minister - h121ferrier@googlemail.com 01851706788 / 07981082012

Christopher Martin - Session Clerk - chriscmart3@gmail.com 706143

Roddy Ferguson - Clerk to the Deacons Court - roddyf1@hotmail.com

Howard Maciver - Treasurer - hfctreasurer@btinternet.com

Donna Rennie - Safeguarding Co-ordinator - d.rennie1@outlook.com 07765536548

Deputy - Murdo Fraser - murdofraser@live.co.uk 07772940487

Deputy - Katy Macleod - katymacleod@icloud.com 07772514429

Margaret Macleod – Women’s Pastoral Support Coordinator –
mmacleod@doctors.org.uk - 07733263642

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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Church Services can be found on YouTube:

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

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