



High Free Church Stornoway

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

Sunday 22 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: “Hands That Cleansed A Leper”

Sermon Text: Mark 1: 40-45

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

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

Sermon Title: “The Call Of Elisha”

Sermon Text: 1 Kings 19: 19-21

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 24 Feb –The Gambia Partnership will be giving a presentation on their ongoing work in the area.

Gaelic Thursday 26 Feb –

English Saturday 28 Feb – Zoom meeting

Services for Sunday 1 March 2026 are as follows:

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

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

HFC Toddlers

Toddlers will meet on Thursday 26 February from 10am – 11.30am in The Failte Centre. Mums, Dads, carers, babies, and all pre-school children are welcome to come along.

Communion weekend.

We were again truly grateful to God for his Blessings over the Communion weekend for praise, prayer and fellowship and the faithful preaching of God's word. We were delighted to welcome into membership Miss Iona Finlayson and Mr J Campbell Beaton by profession of faith and Miss Rhoda Macdonald, & Mrs Betty Beaton by transfer certificates. We wish them all God's Blessings, his grace and Peace for the coming days and that they will know his faithfulness is their testimony.

Soup & Pudding

In early May, Lesley Sangster from our congregation will be taking part in a medical work trip to Tanzania for The Vine Trust on the ship called Jubilee Hope. There will be a soup and pudding lunch on 7th March in Sandwick Hall at 12midday. Anyone who is willing to help with providing a soup or pudding please speak to Lesley or put their name on the list at church door, alternately please contact Lesley at lelexide@yahoo.com or Chriscmart3@gmail.com.

Thanks

The family of the late Donald Fraser would like to express their gratitude for all the support, prayers, cards, phone calls and expressions of sympathy on the sudden passing of Donald on the 1st of January 2026. Donald was a loving father, devoted husband, brother, son and cherished shen and was loved by many. Thank you to Rev Hugh Ferrier and all those in the congregation of the High Free church for their support and prayers at such a difficult time. Donald was someone who spread the word of God quietly and knew the promise of where he was going and for that we take comfort in. The collection raised £850 for the High Free Church Benevolent Fund to help those in need, something Donald always did in his day to day life.

“In Christ alone my hope is found”

Election of Deacons

A number of the Deacon Nomination Forms that were returned contained no signature and as such couldn't be used as part of the election process for new Deacons. The Kirk Session have, therefore, agreed to re-issue the Deacon Nomination Forms for all members of the congregation to fill in. Completed forms should be submitted in the envelope provided and the envelope signed and addressed. The forms should be submitted no later than Tuesday 3rd March 2026. If you're aware of any member of the congregation who's housebound or unable to attend services at present please issue them with a form. The Kirk Session are keen to have as many of the membership of the congregation take part in this process and would like to express their gratitude to the congregation for their cooperation.

New Morning Sermon Series

This Sunday morning we begin a new sermon series on "The Hands Of Jesus." Over the next few months we'll look at eleven incidents in the four Gospels where Jesus' hands are mentioned. Each incident gives us further insight into Who Jesus is and What He came to do. If you haven't been to one of our morning services before or have got out of the way of going, you're warmly invited to come!

New Sunday Evening Series

This Sunday evening we begin a new sermon series on "The Life of Elisha." Elisha was a prophet who God who lived at a time of spiritual decline and apostasy. Despite this unpromising situation Elisha continued to herald the relentless grace of God through the words that he spoke and the works that he performed. If you haven't been to one of our evening services before or have got out of the way of going you're warmly invited to come

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

Skye Spring Mission - An Invitation From Duirinish

Dear brothers and sisters of the High Free Church

We are so grateful to you all for your partnership in the gospel and for the encouragement and the support that you give to us. Our congregation is small and fragile in many ways but we have faith in an almighty God to change lives and build up His cause here. We hope to have Jeff Townend (Highland) and Steve Walker (Ipswich) of the Faith Mission lead an outreach which will include a leaflet drop by Royal Mail, a personal visitation of the whole parish beginning 16th March, nightly gospel services with praise, testimony and preaching, a kid's club in the afternoons and a coffee morning on the Monday.

We are so grateful to you for the offer of help. What needs to be done? We need help visiting the homes of the parish over the two weeks 16th March to 28th March. Jeff will give some basic training in door to door visitation. We need musicians to help with the praise and volunteers to give testimony. We need help staffing the kid's club led by Jeff and Steve. If you can help over even part of the time then that would be great. Accommodation will be in the manse in Dunvegan and with members of the congregation.

As you come to sow gospel seed it is our prayer that there will not only be a harvest of new believers here but also a spiritual harvest in our own lives as we experience the joy of serving together our great Saviour Jesus

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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.

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=PAZXh0bgNhZW0CMTEAc3JOYwZhcHBfaWQMMjU2MjgxMDQwNTU4AAgnxoCyuD_ZrnU9IPCwICeGzKhGSsCaB1zD1wHKD5FUqvUEIDpRusW2Gzpeg0Y_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

Soup & Pudding lunch – Sat 7th March – Sandwick Hall 12 noon

Mens Breakfast – Sat 14th March – 9 am

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

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

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.



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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.

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

**Speakers will be
Shirley Macdonald, Anne
Maclean & Euna Maciver**



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

Deputy - Katy Macleod - katymacleod@icloud.com 07772514429

Margaret Macleod – Women’s Pastoral Support Coordinator –
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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:

Sandwich 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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