



High Free Church
Stornoway

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

Sunday 20 September 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: “Jacob’s Encounter With The Wrestling God”

Sermon Text: Genesis 32: 22-32

Crèche and Sunday School will be available during the service.

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

Sermon Title: “I’m Loving Angels Instead”

Sermon Text Hebrews: 1- 5-14

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 22 Sept – Rev Hugh Ferrier

Gaelic Thursday 24 Sept –

English Saturday 26 Sept– Online meeting

Services for Sunday 27 September are as follows:

11.00am & 6.30pm: Rev Roderick J Campbell (Retired)

HFC Toddlers

Toddlers will meet on Thursday 24 September from 10am – 11.30am in The Failte Centre. Mums, Dads, carers, babies, and all pre-school children are welcome to come along.

Big Country Rural Ministry Conference

This will take place on Saturday 26th September at Stornoway Free Church from 10.30am to 3.30pm. Keynote speaker will be Rev David Macleod, with other speakers including Calum Murdo Smith, Seoras Macgilvray, Robin Gray, Mark Robinson, Stuart King, David Meredith, Ivor Macdonald and Muriel Macleod.

All are invited and please note that booking is essential!

<https://www.zeffy.com/en-GB/ticketing/in-a-big-country-lewis>

We are looking for donations of baking for this event. If you are able to donate any baking to the event please let Natalie know.

LIGHT LUNCH

*There will be a Soup and Pudding Light Lunch in aid of Christian Values in Education (Scotland) held in the Rev M.A Macleod Hall on Kenneth Street on **Saturday 3rd October 2026 from 12-2:00pm**. If you feel strongly about our schools having Christian values and good quality Christian resources, please do come along and support this worthy cause. There will be a sign up sheet at the church door for anyone who is able to help by providing a soup, a pudding, or some baking, or come along to help on the day. We would love to see you there for lunch. Bring a friend or two with you as well and enjoy some fellowship. If you wish to find out more about CVE (Scotland) please speak to Kirsteen and she would be happy to provide you with more information.*

*There will also be a meet and greet event for all staff working in Island schools on **Thursday 1st October 2026 from 7:00-8:00pm**. The event will be held in the Failte Centre on Bayhead in Stornoway. We would encourage all staff who work in our local schools to come along for tea, coffee, and cake and to hear a little about the work of CVE (Scotland). We are also keen to hear the views of staff on the chalk face who can help us to determine our priorities going forward. This event will provide us with an opportunity to meet one another, connect, share, and pray for one another as we go into a new academic year. In order to help with catering for this event, please book via the QR Code on the attached poster.*

SAVE THE DATE

The Priseil Ladies Conference Committee wish to give notice of an afternoon of fellowship with Rosie Morgan who will join us via Zoom on the afternoon of Saturday 14th November 2026 in the Rev. M.A. Macleod Hall. Ladies - please save this date in your diaries. More details to follow in due course.

God's Faithfulness Through Cancer

An evening with award-winning author and speaker Kate Nicholas – M A Macleod Memorial Hall, Fri 2 October 2026, 7.30pm

*A diagnosis of advanced Stage IV breast cancer changed the course of Kate Nicholas's life. Formerly a national journalist, magazine editor and communications director, Kate is now an award-winning author and speaker whose books and talks have encouraged audiences across the UK and internationally. Her memoir To The Ocean Floor won **CRT Audiobook of the Year 2024**.*

In this moving and inspiring talk Kate shares the remarkable story of her own cancer journey and reflects on God's faithfulness through times of suffering, uncertainty and hope. She will explore:

- Living with hope in the midst of serious illness*
- Finding strength through faith and the Psalms*
- God's presence when life makes no sense*
- Discovering a peace that is deeper than our circumstances*

Whether you have experienced cancer yourself, care for someone who has, are exploring the Christian faith, or simply want to hear an honest and uplifting story, you will be warmly welcomed

Save the Date

Big Country Rural Ministry Conference – Sat 26 Sep

CVE Meet & Greet – Thurs 1 Oct -Failte Centre

Kate Nicholas -Fri 2 Oct – M A Macleod Hall

Soup & Pudding lunch – 3 Oct – M A Macleod Hall

Priseil afternoon – 14 Nov – MA Macleod Hall

Schedule of Communion Services – 23rd to 27th September 2026

Lochs Free Church			
Wednesday 23 rd September	7.30pm	English	Pre- Communion Prayer Meeting
Thursday 24 th September	7.00 pm	Gaelic	Rev Kenneth Ferguson
Friday 25 th September	7.00 pm	English	Rev Hugh Ferrier
Saturday 26 th September	7.00 pm	English	Rev. Dr Alistair I Wilson (Edinburgh Theological Seminary)
Lord's Day 27 th September	11.00 am	English	
	6.00 pm	English	
There will be a fellowship in the hall after the evening service to which all are invited			



**The Lord is close to the broken hearted
and saves those who are crushed in spirit.**

Psalms 34:18

**PRAISE NIGHT AND TALK FROM HEBRIDES ALPHA RESIDENTIAL
REHABILITATION PROJECT**

North Harris Free Church Sunday 27th September 2026 at 7:15pm

You are invited to attend an informal worship service and learn more about this Christian project. The work of Hebrides Alpha in our community is under great pressure and there is a real need for upholding the project, the staff, current and prospective residents in prayer. We will learn about the work of the project, hear testimony about lives changed, prayer points and other ways we can support them.



Join us for a relaxed school staff meet-up. Enjoy tea/coffee & baking on us and a free goodie bag.

Thursday 1st October 19:00 – 20:00
The Failte Centre, Bayhead Embankment,
Stornoway HS1 2DU

Find out about the work of Christian Values in Education and a chance to connect, share, pray and be encouraged for this academic year.

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Scan to register by
24 September 2026



Soup and Pudding Fundraiser



Saturday, 3rd October 2026 | 12.00 – 2.00 pm |
Rev M.A. Macleod Hall, Stornoway

Donations at the door to the work of CVE Scotland

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

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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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Church Services can be found on YouTube:

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

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