

High Free Church Stornoway



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Sunday 26 December 2021

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 who are visiting with us.

Today's Services:

11.00am: English Service in Sandwick Hall (Rev. Hugh Ferrier)

This Service will also be live streamed on the Church's Sermon Audio Page

Sermon Title: "All Things Together For Good"

Sermon Text: Romans 8:28-30

11.00am: Joint Gaelic Service in the Seminary

6.30pm: English Service in the Seminary (Rev. Hugh Ferrier)

This Service will also be live streamed on the Church's YouTube Channel

Sermon Title: "When Jesus Seems Distant"

Sermon Text: Song of Solomon 3:1-5

Services for Sunday 2 January 2022 are as follows:

11.00am: English Service in Sandwick Hall (Rev. Hugh Ferrier)

This Service will also be live streamed on the Church's Sermon Audio Page

11.00am: Joint Gaelic Service in the Seminary

6.30pm: English Service in the Seminary (Rev. Hugh Ferrier)

This Service will also be live streamed on the Church's YouTube Channel

Prayer meetings

English Tuesday 28 December 2021 at 7.30pm – Failte Centre

Those unable to attend are welcome to join by Zoom

Gaelic Thursday 30 December 2021 at 7.30pm – Failte Centre

Watchnight Service

The New Year's Eve Watchnight Service will be held on Zoom on Friday 31 December at 11.15pm. This will take the format of a Prayer Meeting with a short message from the Minister. Zoom details will be sent out nearer the time.

HFC Toddlers are now taking a break for the holiday.

Mission Fund

The Deacons' Court have agreed to support the following organisations from the Mission Fund for 2021:

EMF,

SGA,

Faith Mission,

Steadfast Global,

Gambia Partnership,

Platform 67,

Moldova - £1500 each;

WEC (Caitriana Nicholson specifically),

OMF (Muriel Macleod specifically) - £1250 each;

Cheptebo - £700;

Children for Christ,

Hebrides Alpha - £500 each;

Nicolson Institute SU - £200;

God is Good Africa - £700;

OM (Clare Macleod specifically) - £300;

Free Church Mission Fund - £2000;

Free Church Camps - £1000.

The Court agreed that £4,244 be moved from the general fund into the mission fund to cover all the donations. The Court would like to express its sincere thanks for the generosity of the congregation and pray that God would bless the work of each organisation being supported.

Fundraising Committee:-

Next Event

It's **Smarties tube collection** time again folks. One of our best fundraisers the past two times we used it. If you are able to help our fundraising cause by filling the Smarties packet with as many £1 coins (or any other money) as you can spare, we would be very appreciative, but don't feel you have to do that. If you are a tax payer we can claim Gift Aid on your donation if you complete the label stuck to your Smarties packet. You can return the tubes anytime, but the final date for returning them to the fundraising committee will be on **Sunday, 27 February**. Don't worry, we will have a countdown to the date, just to remind you! So go for it folks, let's make it count and make it a great collection yet again.

Every blessing,

The Fundraising Committee.

Steadfast Global - Request for assistance with Advocacy Campaign

Steadfast Global has launched a petition calling on the Home Secretary to grant settlement in Scotland to Sawan Masih & his family who are currently living at an undisclosed location in Pakistan following his acquittal from blasphemy charges in October 2020. Sawan spent seven years in prison as a result of this false allegation and immediately following his release he became the target of death threats. For more information about Sawan and to sign the petition please use the following link:

<https://www.change.org/stand-for-Sawan>.

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Any items for the bulletin should be forwarded to our email address before 4.00pm on Thursdays. Thank you.

*She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus,
for he will save his people from their sins.
Matthew 1:21*