

# High Free Church Stornoway



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**Sunday 1 May 2022**

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: "The Mute Man Spoke"

Sermon Text: Matthew 9:32-34

**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: "A Turning Point"

Sermon Text: Nehemiah 6

Services for Sunday 8 May 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

All prayer meetings will be held in the Fàilte Centre, Bayhead, unless otherwise stated.

English Tuesday 3 May 2022 at 7.30pm – Rev. Ferrier

Those unable to attend in person are welcome to join by Zoom

Gaelic Thursday 5 May 2022 at 7.30pm – The Seminary

This will be a joint meeting with Kenneth Street

English Saturday 7 May 2022 at 7.30pm – on Zoom

## **Sunday School**


There will be no Sunday school this week due to the school holidays. Sunday school will resume next week.

**HFC Toddlers** meets in the Fàilte Centre on Thursday 5 May at 10.00am. All those with pre-School children are most welcome to come along! For further information please speak to Donna Parkes.

Toddlers began in June 2021 and we wanted to thank and encourage the congregation for all the prayer support with a wee update. We have over 20 mums/grans who come along from week to week. Usually 12 or 13 at a time (given all childhood coughs and colds etc). It's a very relaxed informal time where we enjoy getting to know the families and sharing refreshments together. We have a circle time at the end where we read the Bible, sing and pray. It's so lovely to hear the little voices singing "Jesus loves me". We recently had a Family Day to allow dads and extended family to attend. We had a good turn out for the soup and baking. We were delighted to have Hugh and Natalie join us. The team is made up of Mary Ann, Janice, Mairi, Christine, Erica and Donna. Usually 2 or 3 of us attend each week. We have been delighted to welcome new babies coming along with siblings and thanks to Mary Ann's knitting we've been able to gift each family lovely knitwear and a Christian book for the "older sibling". Please continue to pray for the work as we look to organise further family events.

Thank you from the Toddler team.

## **High Free Church Mens Group**

Ten pin bowling  in Ness on Friday 6 May at 6.00pm. Come and join us and have some craic. Please let David Morrison know if you wish to go, by 5.00pm on Monday.

## **Scottish Reformation Society Online Meeting**

The Scottish Reformation Society will hold a public Zoom meeting on Friday 6 May at 7.30pm. The speaker is Rev Ian Macleod, Pastor of Hope Reformed Church, Tillsonburg, Canada. His talk is entitled 'Robert Candlish and the Doctrine of Sonship'. A warm welcome is extended to all.

Zoom Meeting ID: 872 2889 2506. Passcode: 1550.

## **Joint Youth Fellowship**

We look forward to having a joint Youth Fellowship Meeting with the Free Church (Kenneth Street) on Sunday 8 May. Rev. Hugh will be speaking at this event.

## **Crèche Rota**

1 May: Cathy Macdonald, Donna Rennie, Shirley Macdonald  
8 May: Natalie Murray, Carla Mackay, Lisa Scott  
15 May: Erica Buchanan, Sheena Macritchie, Joan Macleod

## **Volunteers Required**

We are looking for more volunteers for the crèche rota. If you can help, please speak to Carla Mackay. Many hands make light work and your help is much appreciated.

## **Benevolent Fund**

The congregation has had for some time now, a benevolent fund which is available to anyone in or connected to the congregation. It is simply a way of giving financial help to any individual or family who may have difficult circumstances, e.g. family situation, illness, unemployment, which may be putting extra worry and pressure on them. If you feel this would help you, or you know of someone who may benefit, please let Rev. Hugh, Rev. Jodo Davidson or Christopher Martin know. This is done discreetly and confidentially, please don't hesitate to ask.

## **Lifts**

It maybe that over the last year or so, your circumstances have changed, and you do not have transport to church services or the weekly prayer meetings. If this is the case, please let Christopher Martin know, by phone or email, or any of the office bearers so we can then organise a regular lift for you. There are people very willing to help in this way.

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

*Not only that, but we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.*

*Romans 5:3-5*