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Sunday 10 November 2024

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:

10.55am: Sunday Service in Sandwick Hall – Rev Hugh Ferrier

Sermon Title: "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

Sermon Text: Psalm 46

Sunday School and Creche will meet during the morning's service.

Brunch will be served after this morning's service. All are very welcome.

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

6.30pm: English Service in The Seminary – Rev Donald Macleod
North Tolsta

Rev Ferrier is preaching in North Tolsta Free Church

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

Services for Sunday 17 November 2024 are as follows:

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

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 at 7.30pm, unless otherwise stated.

English Tuesday 12 Nov 24 - Failte Centre - Rev Hugh Ferrier

HFC Toddlers

Toddlers meets again on Thursday 14 November from 10am–11.30am in The Failte Centre. Mums, dads, carers, babies, and preschool children are most welcome to come along.

Kirk Session

There will be a meeting of the Kirk Session following the prayer meeting on Tuesday 12 November.

Youth Fellowship - Sunday 10th November

The Youth Fellowship will meet in the Manse after tonight's service. We look forward to having Diane Morrison speaking about her life and what Jesus means to her. All those in Primary 7 and up are warmly invited to come along!

Bethesda Soup & Pudding Lunch - Saturday 7th December 2024

Bethesda will be holding a Soup & Pudding Lunch in the M.A Macleod Memorial Hall, Kenneth Street, on Saturday 7th December from 12 Noon -2pm. Donations of baking would be gratefully accepted at the Hall from 10am onwards, all welcome to come along.

Providence Christian School - Soup and Pudding Lunch

There will be a soup and pudding lunch and baking/craft stall at the M.A. Macleod Memorial Hall in Stornoway on Saturday 9th November from 12-2pm in aid of Providence Christian School. All are welcome and encouraged to come along.

Crèche Rota

17/11/24 Bethany Finlayson, Sheena Macritchie, Susan Murray 24/11/24 Angela Ferguson, Coleen Monrad, Joan Macleod 1/12/24 Shirley Macdonald, Natalie Ferrier, Carla Mackay 8/12/24 Agnes Maciver, Bethany Finlayson, Cathy Macdonald 15/12/24 Donna Macleod, Donna Rennie, Rachel Mackenzie 22/12/24 Joan Macleod, Susan Murray, Shirley Macdonald 29/12/24 Laura J Davies, Dawn Spark, Coleen Monrad

Brunch Rota

24/11/24 – Kitchen – Mairi, Natalie, Erica, Dooley Hall – Diane, Anne, Ewen, Alasdair

November Communion Weekend

The Kirk Session have agreed to celebrate the sacrament of the Lord's Supper at the morning service on Sunday 17th November. Anyone wishing to become a member of the congregation either by profession of faith or disjunction certificate is most warmly invited to speak to the Minister, Session Clerk or their District Elder.

The Following Services will take place over our Communion Weekend:

Thursday 14th November:

7.30pm: Gaelic Preparatory Service in the Failte Centre (Rev. Roderick John Campbell, Retired) Tea will be served after this service.

Saturday 16th November:

7.30pm: English Preparatory Service in the Failte Centre (Rev. Hugh Ferrier)

Sunday 17th November:

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

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

Gambia Partnership

The Gambia Partnership have a small team going to the Gambia from the 8th to 20th November to progress the aims of the charity, develop existing relationship sand explore new opportunities for us to advance the gospel. Please keep us in prayer, specifically that we would be led by the spirit and that our time would be fruitful as we seek to build up and equip Christians in order that they can be salt and light in their community. We recently sent out £10,000 worth of audio bibles along with other gospel materials which have arrived in the country, we will be considering how best these can be used along with what further investments can be made. Your prayers are very much appreciated.

In addition, please consider an early pre-Christmas clear out of good quality toys, clothes and brick-a-brac with a donation to our shop so that we can assist those in our community who are struggling in making Christmas more manageable this year. We always do our best to help those in need and keep our prices as low as possible. In doing so, you are contributing to the work of the charity where every almost penny is spent in the Gambia.







Presbytery Youth Camp 2024!

If you are in S3-S6, come and join us at Scaladale 22nd – 25th November, for fun, with some activities thrown in.

Cost £50 per person

To find out more and book a place, click the link, or scan the QR code and complete the booking form.

https://forms.office.com/r/H4Ex8HB7VV







Prayer news: November 2024

Thank you for joining with us in prayer for men, women and families affected by homelessness, poverty and addiction.

City Centre

- Please pray for Linda, our wonderful Women's Recovery Worker, who
 will go on maternity leave on Friday 1st November. We pray for the good
 health of herself, her child and her family.
- Pray for Yvonne, who will be leading our Women's group while Linda is off. Pray that she feels welcomed into our Mission, and that she starts to develop positive relationships with the women she is supporting.
- Pray for the new women's groups coming to fruition this year. Please pray that our female guests experience the support and compassion they are looking for in these groups.
- Pray for David Harper, who will be leaving us soon for his new role as a
 Pastor at the Auldhouse Community Church. We pray for David, his wife
 Amanda and their three children as they embark on this exciting journey
 together.

Child and Family Centre, Govan

- Please pray for our seasonal parties this week as we promote the theme
 of light to the children and family who come to our Centre.
- Please pray for new volunteers to join our team and help us to run our groups.
- Pray for the messy Science sessions that Sam leads, and pray for the message of these groups to resonate with our families.

Winter Project

- Pray for those who are currently experiencing homelessness. Pray for those who are sleeping rough, especially as the weather gets colder.
 Pray for those currently sofasurfing or stuck in temporary accommodation to move into long-term stable housing.
- Pray for wisdom among our local and national leaders to tackle the housing crisis and to understand how best to serve those whose lives have been changed by it.
- Pray for our new Winter Project team. We have now offered roles to new staff who will be joining our upcoming team. Pray that they bring their enthusiasm, compassion and knowledge to serve our guests in the best way they can.
- Pray for wisdom among those of us who are planning the new project to meet our community's needs with the resources available to us.

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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Evening Services can be found on YouTube:

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

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Intimations email address

Any information for the intimations should be sent to this email address: intimations.highfreechurch@outlook.com. Please note that any notices should be sent before 4pm on a Thursday