



High Free Church Stornoway

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

Sunday 8 March 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 Cured The Blind”

Sermon Text: Mark 8: 22-26

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

There will be Brunch after this morning's service. All are very welcome to stay behind and enjoy a time of fellowship together.

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

Sermon Title: “A Timeless Message”

Sermon Text: 2 Kings 2: 15-25

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 10 Mar – Rev Hugh Ferrier

Gaelic Thursday 12 Mar – Rev Hugh Ferrier

English Saturday 14 Mar – Zoom meeting

Services for Sunday 15 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 5 March from 10am – 11.30am in The Failte Centre. Mums, Dads, carers, babies, and all pre-school children are welcome to come along.

Easter Praise Night

Our Easter Praise Night will be held on Saturday 4th April 2026 in Stornoway Town Hall at 7.30pm. Donations at the door for Samaritans of the Western Isles SCIO as voted for by the congregation in our recent poll. Please come along for an evening of worship and praise, would be great to see you there.

Any donations of baking/savouries for the night would be very much appreciated – just let Maggie Herriot, Kirsteen Maclean or Angela MacLennan know.

Ladies Testimony Night

Thank you to everyone who came along to our testimony evening last Wednesday. It was lovely to see so many at it and to hear about the Lord's work in Ann, Euna and Shirley's lives. Thank you also to all those who provided baking for the evening and helped with serving the teas. It was all hugely appreciated! We hope to have another Testimony Night in the near future

Bereaved.

We were very sorry to hear last weekend of the passing of Ian Finlayson from Point following his battle with cancer. Ian professed faith just a few years ago and since his diagnosis showed fortitude and gracious acceptance of his providence, always positive and grateful for everything. He continued to express a quiet confidence in his Saviour and Salvation to the very end. We express our sincere sympathy to his sons Ewen and Mathew along with Bethany, Iona, Eliza, Grace and all the other relatives.

Also this week we heard news of the passing of Mrs Joan France, late of Macaulay Road, a lady who was a faithful witness over many years. We express our prayers and sympathy to her family, her son Ian and daughter in law Marion, from our own congregation, along with her daughter Marina and her sons Billy and Ewen, as well as the wider family, giving thanks for the hope of the believer who falls asleep in the Lord.

Blythswood Charity Shop

The local Blythswood shop are needing a few more volunteers for their Charity Shop on Church Street in Stornoway. Do YOU have a few hours, a morning or an afternoon where you could volunteer at this very busy shop? If so, we would be very pleased to hear from you. If YOU can help, PLEASE call Fiona at the shop on 01851705712 or speak to Charlie or Christopher. Thank you

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

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.

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

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=PAZXh0bgNhZW0CMTEAc3JOYwZhcHBfaWQMMjU2MjgxDQwNTU4AAGnxoCyuD_ZrnU9IPCw/CeGzKhGSsCaB1zD1wHKD5FUqvUEIDpRusW2Gzpeg0Y_aem_POkcYTA9i2nTIDr2bkQ4ww

Save the Date

Men's Breakfast – Sat 14th March – 9 am

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

Easter Praise Night – Sat 4th April – Town Hall 7.30 pm

Preaching Pathways Workshop –20/4/26

Soup & Pudding lunch – Sat 21 April – Sandwick Hall 12 noon

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

Schedule of Communion Services 12th – 16th March 2026

KINLOCH FREE CHURCH

Thursday 12 th March	7.30pm	English	Rev Iain Murdo Campbell
Friday 13 th March	1130am	Question Meeting	Rev James Maciver
	7.00pm	Gaelic (Hall)	
	7.00pm	English	Rev Murdo Campbell Knockbain
Saturday 14 th March	12.00pm	English	
	6.00pm	G /E Prayer Meeting	Elders
Lord's Day 15 th March	11.30am	English	Rev Murdo Campbell Knockbain
	6.00pm	English	
<i>The evening service will be followed by a short prayer meeting led by the elders, then a fellowship at the manse at which the visiting ministers will give a word of testimony. All welcome.</i>			
Monday 16 th March	11.00am	English	Rev Murdo Campbell Knockbain
<i>A short prayer meeting is held in the vestry an hour before the morning services on Friday, Saturday, Lord's Day, and Monday.</i>			

BARVAS FREE CHURCH

Friday 13 th March	7.30pm	English	Rev Iain Thomson
Saturday 14 th March	6.00pm	English	Rev Iain Thomson
Lord's Day 15 th March	11.00am	English	Rev Iain Thomson
	6.00pm	English	
<i>The evening service will be followed by a Congregational/Youth Fellowship</i>			

NORTH UIST FREE CHURCH

Friday 13 th March	7.00pm	English	Rev Alan Maculloch, Kilmuir & Paible Church of Scotland
Saturday 14 th March	7.00pm	English	Rev John Macpherson, Assistant Minister St Andrews Free Church
Lord's Day 15 th March	11.00am	English	
	6.00pm	English	

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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With Paula Buchel

Easter Praise Night

Featuring the High Free Church Praise Band

***Come along for a time of praise and worship
this Easter weekend***

Saturday 4th April 2026

at 7:30pm

Stornoway Town Hall

Doors open 7:00pm



***Donations at the door to
be taken to support the
work of
The Samaritans
Western Isles***



***Refreshments Served
All Most Welcome to Attend***

Prayer news: March 2026

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

City Centre

Please pray for the women in our rehab pathways group. They have started a new group on a Monday afternoon which will celebrate recovery.

Pray for our No Recourse to Public Funds (NRPF) guests, especially those who are currently rough sleeping.

Pray for the many families who are separated because of immigration issues. Many of the men we work with have not seen their children and wives for years and it takes a hard toll on them.

Child and Family Centre, Govan

Please pray for a child we know who has additional needs and requires a nursery place which seems unattainable at the moment.

The Easter programme will start soon with trips and outings scheduled for the families. Pray that it would be a special time for them all as they enjoy a day out together and spend time outdoors in the garden at Elder Park.

Pray for our schools' work which will be starting after the Easter holidays. Pray that the scripture messages in the Messy Science sessions will bear fruit.

Winter Project

As we enter the final month of the project please pray for our guests. Pray that they all are allocated safe and appropriate accommodation.

Pray for the project's staff and volunteers. Pray for protection for them and for job opportunities to become available for those who will be looking for employment.

Pray for the ongoing housing crisis in Scotland. Pray that the politicians and house builders work together to build more social housing.

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>



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**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:

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

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