



High Free Church Stornoway

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

Sunday 3 May 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 Hold The Sheep'

Sermon Text: John 10: 22-30

Crèche will meet during this morning's service.

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

Sermon Text: 'The Cleansing Of Namaan'

Sermon Title: 1 Kings 5: 1-14

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 5 May – Presentation by The Slavic Gospel Association

Gaelic Thursday 7 May –

English Saturday 9 May– Failte Centre

Services for Sunday 10 May 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 7 May from 10am – 11.30am in The Failte Centre. Mums, Dads, carers, babies, and all pre-school children are welcome to come along.

May Communion Weekend

"The Man At God's Right Hand"

Thursday 7th May - 7.30pm - Gaelic Service in the Failte Centre - Rev. Callum Macleod (Retired)

Saturday 9th May - 7.30pm - English Service in the Failte Centre - Rev. Hugh Ferrier - Sermon Title: "The Position Of The Ascended Jesus" (Ephesians 1:15-23)

Sunday 10th May - 11am - English Service in the Sandwick Hall - Rev. Hugh Ferrier - Sermon Title: "The Posture Of The Ascended Jesus" (Hebrews 10:11-18 & Acts 7:54-60)

Sunday 10th May - 6.30pm - English Communion Service in the Seminary, Francis Street - Rev. Hugh Ferrier - Sermon Title: "The Prayers Of The Ascended Jesus" (Romans 8:31-39)

Men's Study Group

The next meeting of the Men's study group is scheduled for Wed 06 May at 7.30pm at Roddy's house in Tong. Pages 75-86 on 'Men Need Clarity' should be read in preparation.

Eilean Siar Foodbank Toiletry Appeal

Eilean Siar Food Bank are appealing for toiletries to help those in need in our community. Shampoo, Conditioner, Toothpaste and toothbrushes, Soap/shower gel, Deodorant/razors etc. Please have a clear out of your bathroom cupboards or alternatively please buy 1 of these items while doing your weekly shop, It will make such a difference in helping a family or individual.

Items can be dropped off at the Coop Macaulay Rd or Tesco. You can also donate the items to the Foodbank on Keith Street on Monday 11am-2pm, Wednesday 11.30am - 1pm , Friday 11am- 2pm or Saturday 12 - 1pm.

Items can also be dropped at Charies garage on James Street.

Helping those in need in our Community

Brunch

We always look forward to seeing you at brunch. Those who stay for Brunch enjoy the food that is provided but also find that it is beneficial in terms of getting to know each other in a relaxed setting. As well as serving those in the hall we also send filled rolls and pancakes to the Acres Homeless Shelter each time we have a Brunch on. This is most appreciated by the residents in the centre. If you feel you'd like to contribute to the costs for this valuable ministry, please leave an envelope with your donation in the collection box marked 'Brunch Bunch'.

Adopt a Camp.

As a congregation we are delighted to once again be able to support a Summer Camp. This year we will be joining with the Oswestry Seniors 2 group. Please start praying particularly for the planning etc and that the Lord will be going before them. We will have further prayer points in coming weeks from Leaders.

LCEA AGM

*You are warmly invited to attend the LCEA Annual General Meeting (AGM), which will take place on **Tuesday, 9th June 2026**, 7.30pm in the conference room of Stornoway Business Hub. This will be a **public meeting**, and we encourage all members and supporters to come along. The LCEA operates Providence Christian School in Stornoway.*

Bayhead at the County

There will be Fellowship on Sunday 3rd May downstairs in The County Hotel at 8.15pm. All are very welcome.

Gaelic Service

Everyone is warmly invited to an Interdenominational Gaelic Service being held on Friday 8th May at 7.30pm in the Clan MacQuarrie Community Centre, Borve. The service will be conducted by Rev. Roddy J. Campbell and Tea/Coffee will be served after the service with all donations going towards Bethesda.

Advance Notice: Outreach Weekend

From Friday 29th May until Sunday 31st May we'll be having an Outreach Weekend with Joe and Emma Kirby. On the Friday we'll be having a Supper and Story Evening where a dinner will be provided and Emma will share about the Lord's work in her life. On the Saturday we'll be having a Men's Breakfast with Joe. On the Sunday Joe will be preaching at both the services and speaking at the fellowship afterward. Please remember this outreach initiative in your prayers and be thinking about those whom you might wish to invite to the Supper Evening, Men's Breakfast or Sunday Services. You can find out more about Joe and his ministry on his website - <https://www.offthekirb.co.uk/>

Slavic Gospel Association Annual Visit

Slavic Gospel Association will be in Lewis and North Harris from 2nd May until 10th May when they will be visiting some of the churches around the Island giving updates on their work.

A public meeting will be held in the M.A. Memorial Hall on Friday 8th May at 7:30 pm where Derek Maxwell, General Director and Eric MacDonald, Scottish Representative will be speaking.

There will also be a live link with some guest speakers from Eastern Europe who will be giving updates from their respective areas.

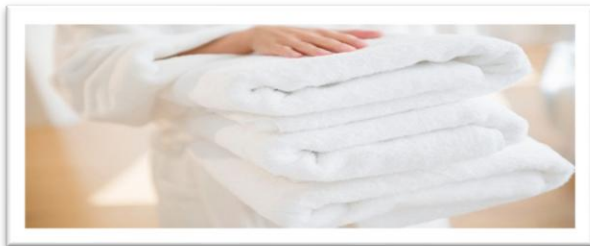
This meeting is open to everyone, and you are warmly invited to attend. There will be refreshments served afterwards and an opportunity given for a time of fellowship.

Presbytery Praise Night in Barvas – 05 June 2026 – 7:30pm

There will be a praise night in Barvas on Friday 5th June 2026 at 7:30pm, hosted by Barvas Free Church. More information to come nearer the time.

APPEAL - for New or Newly New Towels

If anyone in the congregation has New or Nearly New Bath/ Shower Towels that they are not needing, could you please donate the towels for use with clients at a City Mission in Scotland. For Further Information or to donate please contact Charlie or phone 01851703325



Save the Date

SGA Visit- 2nd May - 10th May

Communion Weekend 7-10 May

Interdenominational Gaelic Service – 8th May – Borge

Outreach Weekend – Fri 29th May – Sun 31st May

Presbytery Praise Night – Barvas – 5th June 7.30pm

GIGA Afternoon – 6th June – Back Free Church Hall

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

Light in the Darkness

Celebrating 200 years of global impact

Glasgow City Mission 200 Year Conference

Hear how lives are being changed in Glasgow — and how you and your church can be part of it

15 - 16 May 2026

Queen's Park Baptist Church

£30



More information



Please join **GIGA** (God is Good Africa) for ...



An afternoon of food & fellowship

with guest speakers:

Dr Jeremiah Pitts

(Vice Chancellor at African Bible University, Uganda)

Reverend Ewen Matheson

Cross Free Church of Scotland

Kenny John Mackenzie

Chair of **GIGA**



Sat 6th June
1-3pm @
Back Free
Church Hall



Booking is essential by 16/05/26 contact sealladhard@yahoo.co.uk
or phone Torquil on 07539600707

"For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them" Matthew 18:10

BOOKINGS NOW OPEN

*Priseil Ladies Conference 2026. **Friday 12th June (7:30-9:00pm) and Saturday 13th June 2026 (10am – 4pm) in the Rev M.A. Macleod Memorial Hall on Kenneth Street** . Our guest speaker is Paula Buchel from Guildford in Surrey and the theme is **“In His Presence.”***

‘My Presence will go with you, and I will give you rest’. What comforting words these must have been to Moses. God Himself would remain with him, guiding him, and bringing him and the Israelites to a place of rest after years of desert wandering.

Few people have encountered God’s Presence as dramatically and intimately as Moses did. Come and join us as we explore Moses’s remarkable experience of living in God’s Presence, increasingly surrendered to God’s purposes, and find deeper rest in the constant Presence of the LORD.

We will also hear from a representative from Steadfast Global and learn how living in the presence of God helps the persecuted church.

Donations from the event will be split between Steadfast Global and Women's Aid. Please use the QR Code to book. Physical booking forms will also be available at the church door and can be handed in to Natalie Ferrier or Janice Macleod.





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Rev. M.A. Macleod Memorial Hall

Kenneth Street, Stornoway

Donations to be taken at door for

Steadfast Global and

Women’s Aid (Western Isles)

To book please use the following link:

<https://forms.office.com/r/7nNwxZ9X7z> or

**Book via the QR Code or
complete a booking form or
email priseil.hfc@outlook.com**



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

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Deputy - Katy Macleod - katymacleod@icloud.com / 07772514429

**Margaret Macleod – Women’s Pastoral Support Coordinator –
mmacleod@doctors.org.uk - 07733263642**

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:

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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Church Services can be found on YouTube:

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

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