

*Cross Free Church extends a warm
welcome to all who join us in worship today*

If you are a visitor or unfamiliar with our services, we use the ESV, English Standard Version of the Bible. Our singing in English is from the Scottish Psalter and Sing Psalms and in Gaelic singing we use Sàilim Dhaibhidh.

“Peace! Be Still!” And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm.

Mark 4 v 39

Oir cha tug Dia dhuinne spiorad na geilt; ach spiorad a’chumhachd, agus a’ghràidh, agus na h-inntinn fhallain.

2 Timoteus 1 v 7



Prayer

Pray for Rev. Matheson as he leads us in worship today.

Remember before the Lord all who have lost loved ones, the lonely and the broken-hearted. Pray that the Lord would remember all who are in hospital or Care Homes and also those being cared for in their own homes. Give thanks for all who provide medical and support services.

Pray for the infants in our community and for their parents. Ask that the Lord would bring joy to all families, watch over children, guide the young, bring reconciliation to those in discord, and healing to those who are suffering from illnesses and addictions and give us all true repentance and the joy of salvation through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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Church Diary all as the Lord wills

Sunday 8 August

12.00pm English Service - Church & Live Stream
Preacher: Rev. Ewen Matheson
Title: The innocent for the guilty
Reading: Luke Chapter 22 v 1 –38
Text: Luke Chapter 23 v 22
Psalm: Scottish Psalter Psalm 40 v 1-5 & Gaelic Psalm 85 v 10-11

6:00 pm English Service - Church & Live Stream
Preacher: Rev. Ewen Matheson
Title: Christian Calling pt 4: Maturity
Reading: 1 Peter Chapter 2
Text: Ephesians Chapter 4 v 15
Psalm: Scottish Psalter Psalm 122 v 1-9 & Psalm 84 v 8-12

Wednesday 11 August

7.30pm Prayer Meeting & Bible Study—Church & Zoom—Rev. E Matheson

Sunday 15 August

12.00pm English Service - Church & Live Stream
12.15pm Sunday School—Church Hall
Preacher: Rev. Ewen Matheson
6.00pm English Service - Church & Live Stream
Preacher: Mr Calum Maclean, Back

Church Letterbox

The Church Letterbox is out of commission for a few months as remedial work is undertaken. During this time any FWO/Projects Envelopes can still be accepted at the Church Door on Sundays and Wednesdays. If you are unable to attend please pass your envelopes on to someone you know is coming to Church or contact one of the Office Bearers who will organise an alternative arrangement.

Bulletin Contact Details:
Email: crossfcbulletin@hotmail.com

Sunday School

Next Sunday, 15 August, we hope to welcome back our Sunday School for the first time since the Covid-19 restrictions were introduced back in March 2020. We are thankful for all who have encouraged our young people to continue to learn about Jesus during these months, especially the parents and the Sunday School teachers, Iain and Kathleen, and also Joanne who has been busy with the pre-school children, setting stories and activities on our Facebook page.

It is a great blessing to have children, and we pray that all our families would seek to communicate the love of God to their little ones. We thank parents who send their children, and it would be most encouraging if new pupils joined the classes. We can assure them of a very warm welcome!

In the new term, Christina (3 Swainbost) and Alison (Cross) will also be part of the Sunday School team and we extend our thanks to them. The classes will now be held in the church hall during the noon service. After the first part of the service the children will be invited to go through to the church hall to start their classes.

Christ is "the way", - the way to heaven and peace with God. He is not only the guide, the teacher, and lawgiver, like Moses; He is Himself the door, the ladder, and the road, through whom we must draw near to God. He has opened the way to the tree of life, which was closed when Adam and Eve fell, by the satisfaction He made for us on the cross. Through His blood we may draw near with boldness, and have access with confidence into God's presence. J.C. Ryle

ATTENDANCE—TRACK & TRACE

DISCLAIMER

Upon entering the Church Building Office Bearers are required to take note of your name and contact details and hold this for 21 days as per NHS Scotland Test & Protect.

Praying for One Another Focus

8.8.2021

- Stornoway
Minister: James Maciver,
Asst: Kenneth I Macleod
- Campbeltown
Minister: Vacant
Interim Moderator: David Parker

LEWIS CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE

This year's Lewis Christian Conference will, God Willing, take place from Thursday 12th August through to Saturday 14th August. The conference will be hosted by Garrabost Free Church in Point and the services will be held in the Main Road Building in Garrabost. The speaker will be the Rev. David Johnston, retired minister of Hamilton Road Presbyterian Church in Bangor, Northern Ireland. Rev Johnston will also preach at both services at Garrabost Free Church on the Lord's Day 15th August. Online Booking will be available before the event and Covid regulations will be observed throughout the conference weekend. The theme of this year's conference will be "Trusting God in Troubled Times" with three messages on Habakkuk:

Thursday 12th August, 7.30 pm- How long, O Lord?

Friday 13th August, 7.30 pm - The righteous will live by faith

Saturday 14th August, 7.30 pm - I will rejoice in the Lord.

Links to the online booking forms will be available on both the Garrabost Free Church and Lewis Christian Conference websites.

I Will Help Thee

Some years ago, a gentleman said, "Dr Newton, will you please tell me what verse of the Bible has been the greatest use and comfort to you in all the years of your Christian life?"

Without a moment's hesitation, he said in answer to this question, "Why, the four central words in the tenth verse of the forty-first chapter of Isaiah: *"I will help thee"*. These words have been the staff of my pilgrimage for more than half a century. When I have had any hard work to do, or any heavy burden to bear, I have always leaned on this staff and have been helped and strengthened by it. It has never broken, and never bent under me when I have leaned upon it, but it has been a comfort and support to me, times and ways without number. Cheering Words 1990