



GARRABOST

FREE CHURCH

*Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you,
for the glory of God*

Weekly Bulletin

12th May 2019

Garrabost Free Church welcomes you to our services today.

We use the **English Standard Version** of the Bible in our English services.

Psalm books (Sing Psalms with Scottish Psalter) and Bibles
are available in the entrance hall.

Our practice at all English services is to stand for singing
and sit for prayers.

**The annual congregational statistical survey will take
place today at both services. Slips will be provided on
the way in to church for completion. Please ensure these
are fully completed for an accurate assessment to be
made**

Both services today will be taken by **Rev Murdo Macleod**, Nairn.
We thank Mr Macleod for taking the services today.

Main Road Church 12 noon	Psalm 93: 1-5 (Sing Psalms, p123) CM
	Psalm 116:1-8 (Scottish Psalter, p395) CM
	Psalm 25a:4-10 (Scottish Psalter p231) SM
	Psalm 40:12b-17 (Sing Psalms, p51) LM
Reading	John 13: 1-38
School Road Church 6.00pm	Psalm 103:1-5 (Scottish Psalter, p 369) CM
	Psalm 43:3-5 (Scottish Psalter, p264) CM
	Psalm 66:16-20 (Sing Psalms p84) SM
	Psalm 85: 1-9 (Sing Psalms, p113) 8787D
Readings	Acts 26:1-32

Sunday School will meet during the 12noon service. The children will go to the front for the children's address and go out at the start of the second singing.
The creche will be supervised by **Morag Macleod** and **Mina Nicolson**.

There will be a fellowship after the evening service in **Main Road Church Hall**. The **Shader/Garrabost** group will arrange catering.

Congregational services and events this week

Monday 13 th	No WFM walking group this week
Tuesday 14 th	6.00pm - The ABC club will meet in Sgoil An Rubha .
Wednesday 15 th	7.30pm – Prayer meeting in Main Road Church to be taken by one of the elders
Friday 17 th	1.00pm - The Parent and Toddler Group will meet in Main Road Church Hall.
Saturday 18 th	7.30pm – Prayer meeting in Main Road Church Hall

Services next Sunday 19th May

Both services to be taken by **Mr Mark Hyde, Open Doors UK**

12 noon	Main Road Church
6.00 pm	School Road Church

Sunday School will meet during the 12noon service.

The creche will be supervised by **Alison Macdonald** and **Amy Munro**.

Safeguarding/Child Protection Training

There is another opportunity to attend Safeguarding/Child Protection Training on Thursday 16th May 2019 from 7.30 to 9.00pm in the upper **Rev MA Memorial Hall, Kenneth Street**. This training is essential for any volunteer involved in youth and children's work in our congregations who haven't done such training in the last three years, including Free Church Youth Camps (FCYC) leaders. **Mr Donald A Macleod** (Camps Supervisor) will deliver the training. Booking is strongly advised - please contact Donald Macleod to book at donald.macleod@freechurch.org or by telephone on 07713013651

Sympathy

On the passing of Mr Donald Graham, 25A Upper Bayble we extend our sympathy to his wife Margaret and their family, to Donald's brothers and sisters and to the wider family.

Sympathy

Condolences also go to the family of Margaret Macleod, 37 Lower Bayble, who passed away on Thursday.

Shaun Munro

Can you please pray for **Shaun Munro** from Swordale who is recovering from a serious road accident He is currently in Western Isles hospital for about 5 weeks before returning to Aberdeen for a further 3 months for rehabilitation. Remember his parents, Ian and Mairi and sister, Amy during this worrying time for them.

Children's Packs – School Road

There are packs with worksheets, pencils and sweets at the door for children who will be attending the evening service. This is to encourage parents to bring their children to church in the evenings as well as the mornings. Thank you to Alison Macdonald, Swordale for preparing and maintaining the packs.

Western Isles Free Church Mission Support Group

A mission evening and short AGM will be held on Fri 24th May at 7.30pm in the Rev MA Macleod Memorial Hall, Stornoway. The speaker will be Caitriana Nicholson. Please do join us to hear Caitriana and to support our work. All very welcome. Donations from the evening will go to Muriel Macleod (Cambodia) and Catriona Macdonald (Peru).

Congregational Meeting

The Kirk Session has appointed a congregational meeting in connection with the vacancy to be held on Thursday 6th June.

Women for Mission AGM

The Women for Mission AGM will be held in Glasgow on Saturday 18th May at 2.00pm with a video link to the MA Macleod Hall (upstairs), Kenneth Street. A light lunch will be served from 12 noon in the downstairs hall before the AGM. Those attending the AGM should aim to be present by 1.45pm.

Christian Values in Education meeting 6th June

Megan Patterson, Vice-Chair of CVE Scotland, warmly invites school teachers to this fellowship event in the MA Hall, Kenneth Street, on **Thursday 6th June at 8.00pm**. As well as working for CVE Scotland, Megan is also an Education Consultant for SIM (Serving in Mission) and she loves to see Christian teachers all round the world developing a biblical approach to the whole of classroom life. She is delighted to have the possibility of encouraging those working in schools on Lewis whilst she is visiting the island to speak at the Western Isles' WFM event the following day.

RSVP to Victoria Myles cve@cve-scotland.org.uk if you intend going.

Prayer Notes

Separate prayer notes are now being produced on a weekly basis. They include Generation Praying for One Another and the Global Mission prayer points for the coming week. Also included are the Adopt a Camp prayer points for April and other congregational related issues. If anyone would like any prayer points to be included please email garrabostfree@gmail.com or speak to one of the elders.

26 th May	Rev Hugh Ferrier, Stornoway High Free Church
2 nd June	Prof Bob Akroyd, ETS
9 th June – 30 th June	Rev Iain T Campbell

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Prayer Notes

12th May 2019

Rejoice always, **pray without ceasing**, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

Congregational Prayer Points

- Please pray for the elders and the interim moderator. Pray for wisdom and discernment for them to make the correct judgements in future decisions concerning the congregation and the vacancy.
- Pray that we would all be faithful and consistent in our walk with Jesus and be influential in our community.
- Pray for all those connected to the congregation who are hospitalised or in nursing homes
- Pray for those who have been recently lost loved ones and also those who still grieve for loved ones after many years.
- Please pray for all those sitting exams just now and pray that they will cope with all the pressures it brings.
- Pray for those in our community who currently do not attend church

ABC – Pray for the children that attend each week as well as for the leaders and volunteers. Pray for additional helpers.

Point2Life – Pray for all who attend and also that more would come along. Pray for guidance for the leaders as they seek to plan ahead.

Sunday School – Pray for the regular teachers, Christine, Janis and Diane and all those who help them each week. Pray for the children who attend and for the parents who bring them along every Sunday.

Creche – Pray for the children who attend creche each week and we thank God for young families who come along.

Scripture Union – Pray for Christine Cumming and Elizabeth Ferguson as they hold SU each Tuesday in Sgoil an Rubha. Usually about 20 children attend each week. Please pray for them as up to 2/3 of them do not attend church regularly.

Challenger Bus Visit – Pray for the Challenger Bus Team as they prepare to visit Point for a week in September. Pray that the required funding would be achieved to enable them to carry out their mission work with kids and young people.

Parent and Toddler Group - pray for parents and the children and those from the congregation who help from week to week. Pray that relationships would be built with the parents to encourage them and the children to attend church.

ADOPT A CAMP - KINCRAIG KIDS

Sat 6th—Sat 13th July

May Prayer Points

All Camps

- **Please pray** that the Lord would bring together a well-balanced team eager to serve Him.
- for the leaders, as they organise their camps.
- for the team members and cooks as they prepare.
- that there would be enough volunteers to drive and chaperone campers.
- that the Lord will prepare the hearts of campers for the Gospel.
- that Christian campers would be strengthened and encouraged in their walk with Him.

Kincraig Kids

Team Leader: *Mairi MacLeod*

Team: *Hugh Ferrier, Finlay Stewart, Anna Heriot, Amy Munro, Uilleam MacLeod, Ashley Macleod*

Cooks: *Fiona Campbell, Christine Cumming, Maddy Cumming*

Give thanks that the team were able to attend training in Stornoway and in Inverness in order to best equip them for camp.

- **Please pray** that the team would be united and Christ-like in the way they relate to each other and to the campers.
- that God would continue to guide the team as they finalise plans for camp.
- for the team as they meet later this month.
- for the campers' churches—that they would be encouraging and supporting the campers before and after camp.
- for the campers—that they would be looking forward to coming to camp.

Please pray also for **Kirsten** as she continues to manage the responsibilities of the administrative and planning aspect of the camps programme.

Kirsten has requested us to pray that she would be able to do everything that needs to be done and depend on God for everything and that He would use her for His glory as she tries to help make it possible for so many children to attend Camp and hear about Jesus.

Praying for One Another - 12th May 2019

West Mains Church, East Kilbride

We are a small congregation and as the name suggests we are located in the West Mains area of East Kilbride.

Prayer Points

1. Please pray that the congregation would continue to grow in our faith and that we would be a light to the community we have sought to serve through various activities.
2. Pray that the "Cubs Den" mothers and toddler group may be used by the Lord to bring families into His kingdom

Gairloch, Kinlochewe and Torridon

We are a congregation that meets in 3 locations covering a wide geographical area in Wester Ross. We are blessed with a healthy demographic mix and a growing awareness of the need to be a family fellowship of believers together and a lively and prayerful witness in our community. We meet every month for lunch together after the morning service in Gairloch and weekly in the manse for fellowship after the evening service. We meet in Gairloch and Kinlochewe weekly for prayer, interactive Bible study, Fruitfulness on the Front Line, Christianity Explored and are currently involved in 'Church Development Track' run by Generation as a means of learning how together we can be revitalised and become a more effective witness for the Lord.

Prayer Points

1. Please pray we would be open to hearing God speaking in His Word and willing to do whatever He calls us to do. Pray that we would grow as God's family where everyone recognises giftings and is equipped for works of service in Jesus' name.
2. Please pray that we would bear the fruit of the Holy Spirit on our front lines in the community and be missional minded and intentional in all we do. Pray that all we plan and purpose to do would be borne of prayer and would promote the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ and his grace.

Global Mission Prayer Notes

Sun 12th WEC Netherlands

Thank you for praying for the staff vacancies at Cornerstone College. The position of principal has been filled and we give thanks to God for this. Scot and Lyde Fogle (WEC France) will join the team in the coming months. Please pray for Scot as he leads and takes on this new challenge.

Mon 13th SASRA

There is much to be encouraged about each day. Roddy affirms that the Lord is really very good to us all and he is always aware of His help.

Tues 14th Asia

Give thanks for many East Asians who were baptised at Easter, and ask that they would be firmly rooted in their faith and grow to maturity. Pray too for Sophie, an East Asian PhD student in Glasgow, who asked Caitriana how she holds science and faith in God together. Ask that she would truly seek the truth.

Wed 15th CWI

Bogi Kozma, CWI's missionary in Hungary, recently joined a choir at her local Jewish community centre. She has met Angela there, who has been asking questions regarding why many Jewish people reject Jesus and dispute the divine nature of the Messiah. Please pray for Angela and Bogi as they explore these areas together and that, as a result, Angela will soon come to know that Jesus is the answer to her greatest need and be saved.

Thurs 16th Nepal

Please pray for Bhaktapur Theological Seminary. There are many students who are willing to come to study for the next session. The students are very eager to drink Reformed Theology. Please pray that this thirst for God's Word may continue in Bhaktapur.

Fri 17th Colombia

Remember Manuel and Patti in your prayers as he is speaking at a women's retreat in Bogota this weekend.

Sat 18th WfM

Pray for all the ladies travelling to the **WfM AGM** today. Pray that the link to Stornoway works well. Give thanks for all the funds raised for the projects they support.

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