



GARRABOST

FREE CHURCH

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

Weekly Bulletin
19th 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.

Both services today will be taken by Mark from Open Doors UK . We thank Mark for taking the services today.	
Main Road Church 12 noon	Psalm 100: all (Sing Psalms, p131) SM Psalm 3:all (Sing Psalms, p3) LM Psalm 25a:1-5 (Scottish Psalter p231) SM Psalm 51:10-17 (Scottish Psalter, p281) CM
Reading	John 21:1-19
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 Alison Macdonald and Amy Munro .	
School Road Church 6.00pm	Psalm 136 (2 nd):1-5 (Scottish Psalter, p 369) 666688 Psalm130: all (Sing Psalms, p173) CM Psalm 121: all (Scottish Psalter p416) CM Psalm 27:1-5 (Sing Psalms, p31) CM
Readings	2 Corinthians 4:6-18
Point2Life will meet at Andy and Christine's house at 16 Upper Garrabost from 8.15 to 9.30pm	
Congregational services and events this week	
Monday 20 th	WFM walking group will meet at School Road car park
Tuesday 21 st	6.00pm - The ABC club will meet in Sgoil An Rubha .
Wednesday 22 nd	7.30pm – Prayer meeting in School Road Church to be taken by Rev John Davidson
Friday 24 th	1.00pm - The Parent and Toddler Group will meet in Main Road Church Hall.
Saturday 25 th	7.30pm – Prayer meeting in Main Road Church Hall
Services next Sunday 26th May Both services to be taken by Rev Hugh Ferrier, Stornoway High Free	
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 Margaret Graham and Mary Bell Macleod	

Free Church Youth Camps
<p>Please note that there are still spaces available at the undernoted camps for any who have not booked yet and are interested in going.</p> <p>Kincraig Girls (P7-S2), Renfrew Kids (P5-P7), Renfrew Seniors (S4-S6), Oswestry Juniors 1 (S1-S3), Junior Football (boys, P6-S2), Senior Football (boys, S2-S6), B.A.S.E. (8-23 years)</p> <p>Remember there is financial support available to attend camp for any who need this. Please contact any of the office bearers or the interim moderator in private or alternatively email garrabostfree@gmail.com</p>

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 in School Road.

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.

Additional 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. Additional prayer points are added below

Rev Dominic Smart

The latest blog by Marjorie Smart, Paracetamol is so Underrated has been printed and is available to be uplifted today. Please pray for Dominic as he continues his cancer treatment and give thanks for the measure of health he has had recently. Please also pray for his wife, Marjorie and their family.

General Assembly

Now in its 176th year, the General Assembly of The Free Church of Scotland will meet this week in St Columba's at the top of Edinburgh's Royal Mile. Pray for wisdom and discernment for all delegates as they gather to discuss church business and hear reports from various committees and boards. Over the course of the week, they will be joined by guests of the Church and other organisations from around the globe. Please pray for the incoming moderator, **Rev Donnie G Macdonald** and also for the retiring moderator, **Rev Angus Macrae**.

All the Assembly reports can be read by copying and pasting the link below:

<https://freechurch.org/assets/documents/2019/GA2019/2019%20General%20Assembly%20Reports.pdf>

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Prayer Notes

19th 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 for those who have been recently lost loved ones and also those who still grieve for loved ones after many years.
- Please pray for our young people with all the pressures that modern life brings and for all those who are sitting exams just now.
- Pray for those in our community who currently do not attend church
- Pray for **Shaun Munro** from Swordale who is recovering from a serious road accident. He is currently in Western Isles hospital for about another 4 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.
- Pray for others connected to the congregation who are hospitalised or in nursing homes

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 15 children attend each week and are currently going through the life of Joseph. 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

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.

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.

Please pray for **Kirsten** as she enters the final weeks before Camps, that everything would come together to enable over 300 young people to go to Camp this summer to hear about Jesus and His love for them.

Please pray that Chaperones and minibus drivers would be found for those journeys where they are needed

Praying for One Another - 19th May 2019

Urquhart & Resolis

Urquhart (better known as Ferintosh) and Resolis covering the area from Canon Bridge to Cromarty serves a largely farming and commuting community. At both ends of the congregation there are strong home groups providing teaching, prayer and pastoral care. There are five primary schools on our patch. There is a lively youth group with several now at university and likely to move on. Our praise leaders are a great blessing to us. Among our members are individuals with significant influence locally and nationally.

Prayer Points

1. Give thanks for a congregation growing in numbers and in confidence. Pray that the congregation would be equipped and encouraged to reach out to the North Black Isle with the Good News.
2. That the right leadership team would be put together to take the members forward in mission with a coherent and well considered approach, with a trust in God and a love for the people around us, the people of Scotland and the whole world.

Garrabost

Garrabost Free Church was officially formed in October 2017 when the congregations of Knock and Point came together. The congregation has been vacant since then and are seeking the Lord's will for this position to be settled. In conjunction with Dominic Smart, we produced a vision statement which is 'to glorify God through our worship and be imitators of Jesus as we live our lives depending on Him and serving the people of Point with humility and compassion, longing to see many people of all generations commit every aspect of their lives to the Lord.'

Prayer Points

1. Please pray that God would lead us together to the man of His choosing and that we would be patiently expectant during this time.
2. Please pray that the leadership of the congregation would know strength, unity, wisdom and discernment as we seek how to implement the vision practically. That the congregation's unity would be a strong witness of God's reality to the community of Point (John 17:20-24).

Global Mission Prayer Notes

Sun 19th SFR

Please give thanks for a couple of new patients whose care is covered by the health insurance. Something new! This is an answer to prayer which means that while they bring extra work, on the one hand, they also bring extra income on the other. Taking on patients with health insurance cover means further obligation to deliver quality services. May God's Name be glorified in this way!

Mon 20th Peru

Pray for the special activities planned in the pre-school department this week including open days for parents. Please pray God would bless these young pupils and help them grow to love him with all their hearts.

Tues 21st SA

Pray for Martin Stam, a volunteer library assistant at Dumisani for Term Two and Winter School and his oversight of the book sale and computer updating. Thanks to the Lord for the blessing of short term mission volunteers.

Wed 22nd Nepal

Suraj asks us to pray for Shekinah Evangelical Church. They have seen some more converts this year. Some are getting ready for baptism. Praise God for this.

Thurs 23rd SASRA

Roddy spends much time befriending and sharing a basic gospel message. May the Lord open hearts to the simple but life-changing word.

Fri 24th CWI

Give thanks to God for saving Jan, a Jewish woman in Leeds with whom CWI's Director of Ministry Richard Gibson has faithfully shared the gospel over the years. Richard recently had the joy of leading her in a tear-filled prayer of repentance and faith as she turned to her Messiah. Please pray for Jan, whose husband is an atheist, as she begins her wonderful journey as a Jewish follower of Jesus. Please also pray for Richard as he disciples her.

Sat 25th SA

Pray for the Winter School which starts today at Dumisani with Rev Kyle Barrow lecturing on Exodus. May this course be a real help in expository preaching.

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