



Free North Church Inverness
22 October 2017

Welcome! The preacher at both services today is our elder, **Sandy Finlay** while Colin is in Kilmallie. The service in Madras Street at 5.00pm will be led by **Chris Macleod**.

We are always glad to have visitors at our services. Tea and coffee will be served in the hall after the morning and evening services. Do wait if you can.

We are a congregation of the Free Church of Scotland. Together with all Christians, we worship One God – Father, Son and Holy Spirit – and recognise that only through faith in Jesus Christ, crucified and risen, can we receive forgiveness of sin and peace with God. Jesus Christ is therefore central in all our worship, as He is to our whole lives.

Defend the weak
and the fatherless;
uphold the cause of
the poor and the
oppressed. *Ps.82:3*

We use the New International Version of the Bible (red book) and we sing the metrical psalms (blue book). The Scripture readings and the psalms are also projected on to the walls on either side of the pulpit. We stand to sing and sit to pray. If you wish to give an offering to the Lord's work, there are boxes at the front and side doors as you leave. The service lasts about an hour.

There is a time of prayer before the services at 10.30am and 6.00pm.

Today

Holiday Sunday School for children up to P.3, leaving after the second singing. Sunday School and Bible Class resume next Sunday.

Crèche: children and helpers leave after the second singing to meet upstairs.

Morning Service – 11.00am			Evening Service – 6.30pm		
Psalms	Verses	Page	Psalms	Verses	Page
138	1-6	179	107	1-8	382
119	57-60	404	18	29 -36	21
119	129-136	165	118	13-20	156
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<p>Reading: Nehemiah 8 (p.491 or 492) Title: <i>Bible Sunday - Hearing is Believing</i></p> <p>Hearing God's Word Understanding God's Word Responding to God's Word</p>			<p>Reading: 2 Corinthians 2:12 - 3:6 (p.1159 or 1160); 7:5 - 16 (p1162 or 1163). Title : <i>Thankful, Victorious, Gospel focussed Christians</i></p> <p>God's grace is sufficient Giving thanks at all times The Great victory we share Our Gospel focus</p>		

This week

Monthly Gaelic Service on Tuesday at 7.30pm in Greyfriars Free Church, Balloan Road; preacher – Rev James MacIver, Stornoway.

Madras Street prayer meeting on Wednesday at 12.00pm in the house. All welcome.

Home Groups meet on Wednesday at 7.30pm, so there will be no mid-week meeting. **Mike Casey's** group will meet in the church. Notes for Session 3 are available at the doors.

Road to Recovery: a meeting for those with addiction problems will be held in the Madras Street Hall on Thursday at 7.30pm. If you have any queries, please phone 07918 775368 or 715809.

Blythwood Shoebox Appeal: all welcome to come and help cover more boxes and sort out the donated items on Thursday at 2.00pm in the hall (entry from Church Street).

Kidzone starts again on Thursday from 6.00pm to 7.00pm for primary age children in the hall (entrance from Church Street). Darren and Nicola have kindly offered to take over the leadership .Further info from Darren Graham

Blythswood inter-church quiz on Friday at 7.30pm in the Kingsview Christian Centre, Balnafettack Road. Come and support the Free North team and the work of the Daniel Centre in Romania.

Likely Dads meet on Saturday from 10.30am to noon in the hall (entry from Church Street) for all Dads and male carers with babies and toddlers.

The Inverness and North Free Church Mission Support Group will be holding a Coffee Morning on Saturday from 10.30 am - 12 noon in Greyfriars Free Church, Balloan Road. Car Parking is available. As well as tea, coffee and home baking, there will be a bric-a-brac table and a baking stall. We hope you will be able to come along to support our project and enjoy fellowship

Other news

The **Deacons' Court** has agreed that from this Sunday the congregation should leave by the side door and the hall door after the Sunday services. This will minimise the heat loss from the front doors during the winter months.

Harvest Thanksgiving Congregational Lunch next Sunday followed by a short reflection on Malawi. Please sign up on the sheets at the doors today. Donations for the Free Church Disaster Fund may be made next week.

Door duty rotas for Sundays and Wednesdays for November to February (inclusive) have now been compiled. These have been sent out via e-mail to all involved. Hard copies of the rotas have been printed for any persons whose e-mail address was not known. These have been left for collection on the table at the side of the pulpit as you leave the church. A copy of the rotas has also been attached to the notice-board in the lane corridor, behind the pulpit. Should anyone wish to volunteer to be part of the welcome teams in the future, please let Calum Smith know.

John Marker, Thurso, had had to withdraw from our November communion. Calum Macmillan (Rosskeen) will take his place and preach on Saturday 11th at 7.30pm in the hall and Sunday, 12th at 11.00am and 6.30pm in the church. We are thankful to Calum for stepping in at such short notice. Should anyone wish to join the congregation either by profession or certificate, please speak to Colin, John or one of the elders.

Congregational Rotas

Sunday Welcoming Teams

22 October: Maureen, Ruairidh, Donalda, John Macleod (F); **Innes**, Alison, Marian (S)

29 October: Mike, Iain, Kathleen, Alistair (F); Jane, Darren, **Murdo** (S)

Crèche

22 October: Annetta, Kirsten, Alison

29 October: Lucy, Jessie

Heating: 22 October: Ruairidh; 29 October: Martin

Notes

Contact details

If you are new to the congregation and you would like a visit from a member of our pastoral team, please contact our minister, Colin Macleod (Tel: 01463 231981).

You can visit our website at www.freenorthchurch.org and our denomination at: www.freechurch.org. Find us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/FreeNorthFreeChurchofScotland

Notice Sheet: Any items for next week's notice sheet should be sent to editor@freenorthchurch.org or given to A Muirden by noon on Friday.