



Free North Church Inverness

7th May 2017

Welcome! Our minister, **Colin Macleod**, will preach at both services today and at Madras Street at 5.00pm.

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.

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.

...from infancy you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. *2 Timothy 3:15*

Today

Sunday School for children aged 4 to 14; the young people leave after the second singing

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

20s/30s meet after the evening service

The following are available today:

- The **Missionary Prayer Notes** for May at both doors.

- Those who attend **Home Groups** can uplift at the doors a hand-out relating to the next meeting which is on Wednesday, 17th May
- The May **Record** for those who subscribe to it can be found at the front door or on the table beside the exit to the lane door. There are a couple of extra copies which are unnamed. The price for one copy is £1 50. You can place this in the collection box if you wish to purchase a copy. *Donalda*
- Arab World Ministries **Pioneers** newsletter.

The collection today is for the **Development Fund.**

Morning Service – 11.00am			Evening Service – 6.30pm		
Psalms	Verses	Page	Psalms	Verses	Page
96a	1-9	126	138	1-5	179
43		54	46a	1-7	59
23		289	19	7-14	23
126		171	133		424
Reading: Revelation 14 (p.1243)			Reading: Joshua 1 (p.216)		
Title: <i>Confirmation, Vindication and Trepidation</i>			Title: <i>Continuity, Courage, Constraint and Community</i>		

This week

Madras Street prayer meeting on Tuesday at 8.00am

Light lunch on Tuesday at 12.30pm in the hall (entry from Church Street) followed by a short devotional address. If you need a lift, please phone Jane on 237310.

Meeting in Smithton Church: Rev Dr Ajay Pillai is the International Director for Indian Inland Mission (IIM), established in 1964. IIM is an evangelism and church planting organisation, preaching Christ Jesus in some of the least reached regions of South Asia. Ajay hopes to share some of the work of IIM in Smithton on Tuesday at 7.30pm.

Tumbletots meets as usual.

Mid-week meeting on Wednesday at 7.30pm in the hall. Duncan Peters will speak and will conduct a seminar on relating to Muslims on Thursday from 12.00- 2.00pm in Greyfriars Free Church. If you would like to attend the seminar, please sign up at the side door.

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 Ian (07917 147361) or Martin (07918 775368).

3:16 teens for teenagers meets on Friday from 6.30pm to 8.00pm in the manse

The Likely Dads will meet on Saturday from 10.30am to 12 noon (entry from Church Street) for all Dads and male carers with babies and toddlers.

Classic car café on Saturday from 11.30am. Can you help? If so, please sign up on the sheet in the kitchen.



Tickets for the **Acclaim** concert on Saturday are available from Sandy. Come along for an evening of worship and see a full church. Could all those who have agreed to help with stewarding, please meet below the pulpit at the end of the service. Jane needs 5 or 6 volunteers to serve tea/coffee after the concert - please phone (237310) if you can help.

The AGM of **Women for Mission** will be held on Saturday in Glasgow City Free Church. We will enjoy fellowship and afternoon tea together. The North bus from Inverness is available to book up. Contact Janet Murchison as soon as possible on 01456 450837. The speakers will be Rachel Rae home from the Philippines, a report from Mairi Murchison on her time in Kosovo and Fiona Dolan, Manger of Capstone, Alness.

Other news

Kirk Session meets on Tuesday, 16th May at 7.00pm

Afternoon Tea on Tuesday, 30th May in the Madras Street hall when we will be joined by folks from the Dingwall congregation. Fuller details will follow - please put the date in your diary.

CYC Spring Sale will be held on Saturday, 20th May from 10.00am till noon. There will be baking, craft, bric-a-brac and plant stalls.

Blythswood Care is looking for a Scottish Area Retail Manager to oversee 25 shops mostly located in the north and northeast of Scotland. Further information about the vacancy can be found on their website at <http://www.blythswood.org/current-vacancies> or contact Barbara Grace (Tel: 01349 830777 or e-mail personnel@blythswood.org) for a job description and application form.

Highland Foodbank would be grateful for the following items during May and June:

- Tins of mince/stew
- Packets of rice
- UHT milk
- Toilet rolls.

Please place donations of these in the blue box at the lane door.

Congregational Rotas

Sunday Welcoming Teams

7th May: B Cameron, M Maclean, J Montgomery, N Kennedy (F); F Campbell, I Petkevica, **A Fraser** (S)

14th May: M Semple, M MacAulay, I Fraser, A Waite (F); S Vant, **J MacAulay**, R Fraser (S)

Mid-week meeting: B Cameron, A Fraser

Crèche

7th May: E Macleod, L Fraser, E Finlay

14th May: L Smith, M Mackintosh, Miss J Macleod

Heating: 7th May: M Maclean; 14th May: R MacIver

Counting rota: Team 2 start today for the month of May

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 Anne Muirden by noon on Friday.