

Free North Church Inverness

Sunday 9th December 2018



WELCOME!

The services today are taken by Bob Ackroyd.

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 use the New International Version of the Bible (red book) and we sing the metrical psalms, Sing Scripture and Hymns (with musical accompaniment). These are projected on to the walls on either side of the pulpit. Printed versions of the hymns are available at the sound area for those who can't see the screens properly. 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.

Morning Service (11am)

Praise

Come Holy Spirit Come
72:1-10 (Sing Psalms)
45(a):1-7 (Sing Psalms)
Joy to the World

Reading

Isaiah 9:1-7
Matthew 4:12-17

Sermon Title

"The Promised Messiah"

Evening Service (6.30pm)

Praise

How Great Thou Art
98:1-4 (Sing Psalms)
67 (Sing Psalms)
I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

Reading

Genesis 11:1-9
Genesis 12:1-9
Genesis 15:1-6

Sermon Title

"Two Ways to God"

Today

We are pleased to have Prof Bob Ackroyd from ETS in Edinburgh, taking our services today. Bob is married to Heather and been in Edinburgh for about 30 years. He was Assistant Minister in Buccleuch and Greyfriars Free Church before going to ETS as professor of Systematic Theology.

The December issue of the Record is available for collection to subscribers today at the front and side doors.

There will be a **service in the Isabel Fraser Home** tomorrow at 3pm.

There is a **time of open prayer** before the Sunday services at 10.30am in the hall and at 6pm upstairs in the old creche room. Everyone is welcome to attend.

During the winter months, **the front doors of the church will not be open after the services**. This is to conserve the heat in the building. Please use the side door to exit.

Crèche meets during the morning service, children and helpers leave after the second singing to meet in the Fellowship Area.

Sunday School children leave after the scripture reading and go to the hall.

This week

Christianity Explored concludes tomorrow at 6.30pm in the hall (entrance from Church Street). It is not too late to join the group.

Tuesday Lunch – We plan to have our Christmas lunch on Tuesday 13th November at 12.30pm in the hall. Please come along to enjoy lunch and a time of fellowship. All are most welcome along with any friends whom you may want to bring. If you need transport please phone Anne (239412) If anybody is free tomorrow morning (Monday) and could come to my house to help to peel potatoes please let Jane know!

Tumbletots is on Wednesday from 10am to 11.30am in the hall, entrance via Church Street.

Home Groups meet this week in various venues throughout the city. The group which meets at Anna MacRitchie’s house is cancelled.

Road to Recovery – meets in the fellowship area on Thursday at 7.30pm.

Christmas Party for all Crèche and Sunday School families on Friday 14th at 6.30pm in the hall. Doors open at 6.00 pm.

Acclaim Christmas Concert on Saturday 15th December in the Free North Church at 7.30pm. All welcome. Tickets are still available, and can be obtained from Sandy or Ruth.

The services next Sunday will be taken by Donnie Macleod and Sandy Finlay.



Other News

From the beginning of January, the Kirk Session has agreed to **change the time of the evening service to 5.30pm**. This will be for a trial period.

December pulpit supply – 23rd December, David Meredith; 30th December, Dan Patterson.

Invitations to the Christmas Eve Service available soon. If you can help to distribute them, please meet in front of the pulpit at the end of the morning service.

The Vacancy Committee are:- Brian Cameron, Stewart Vant, John Macaulay, Archie Fraser, Innes Fraser, Rob Maciver, Kathleen Skinner, Effie Finlay & Anne Muirden.



Rotas This Week – December 9th

DOOR: Mairi MacAulay, Ruairidh Fraser, Iain Macleod, Jane Macleod (F); **John MacAulay**, Maureen Semple, Alison Waite (S)

CRECHE: Sarah MacIver, Maureen Semple and Alison Waite

WEDNESDAY: Home Groups

HEATING: Rob MacIver

Rotas Next Week – December 16th

DOOR: Ruairidh Fraser, John MacAulay, Maureen Semple, Alison Waite (F); Mairi MacAulay, **Iain Macleod**, Jane Macleod (S)

CRECHE: Mairi MacAulay, Emma Fraser and Alison Macleod

WEDNESDAY: John MacAulay and Iain Macleod

HEATING: Rob MacIver

Notes

HERE FOR THE FIRST TIME?

If you have recently started worshipping with us at the Free North or would just like to know a little bit more about Christianity, would like a pastoral visit or to attend one of our Home Groups, please speak to one of the Welcome Team after any of our services, or let us know your details below and leave it in the collection plate.

Name: _____

Phone or E-mail: _____

What is your request: _____

You can contact us by email at info@freenorthchurch.org. Notices should be sent to editor@freenorthchurch.org

Find us online!  www.freenorthchurch.org  facebook.com/freenorthfreechurchofscotland