

GARRABOST

FREE CHURCH



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

Weekly Bulletin
23rd February 2020

Garrabost Free Church welcomes you to our services today.

We use the **English Standard Version** of the Bible in our services.
Psalm books (Sing Psalms with Scottish Psalter) and Bibles
are available in the entrance hall.

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Both services today will be taken by Rev Murdo Campbell . We thank Mr Campbell for taking the services today.	
Main Road Church 12 noon	Psalm 95:1-8 (Sing Psalms, p126) 11 11 11 11
	Psalm 118: 19-25 (Scottish Psalter, p399) CM
	Psalm 19:7-10 (Scottish Psalter, p223) CM
	Psalm 51:5-15 (Sing Psalms, p67) 878777
Readings	Acts 9:1-19; Philipians 3:1-12
School Road Church 6.00pm	Psalm 23 (Scottish Psalter, p229) CM
	Psalm 4:3-8 (Sing Psalms, p4) CM
	Psalm 121 (Scottish Psalter, p415) CM
	Psalm 72:17-19 (Scottish Psalter, p314) CM
Reading	John 17
Sunday School will meet during the 12noon service. The children will go to the front for the children's address and go to their classes at the start of the second singing. The creche will be supervised by Morag Macleod and Chrisann Mackenzie .	
Point2Life will meet tonight from 8pm till 9.15pm at Murdo & Fiona's house in Portnaguran. All young people from P7 upwards are very welcome.	
Congregational services and events this week	
Tuesday 25 th	6.30pm - ABC will meet in Sgoil An Rubha.
Wednesday 26 th	7.30pm – Prayer meeting in School Road Church to be taken by the elders.
Friday 28 th	1.00 - Parent and Toddler Group will meet in Main Road Church Hall.
Services next Sunday 1st March	
Both services will be taken by Iain Alasdair Macdonald	
12 noon	Main Road Church
6.00pm	School Road Church
Sunday School will meet during the 12noon service. The creche will be supervised by Sandra Fairgrieve and Anne Mackenzie	

****CONGRATULATIONS****

to **Finlay and Erin** on the birth of **Lachlan Douglas Maclennan** on **20/2/2020**.

Wishing every blessing to our extended church family.

Free Church Youth Camps

FCYC 2020 brochures are available at the doors. Bookings can be made on the **FCYC** website (freechurchoyouthcamps.org) for anyone in **P5 – S6**. Everyone is welcome to take extra copies for friends and neighbours, and if you have questions please get in touch with **Kirsten** on camps@freechurch.org.

Please also look out for various updates on **FCYC** Instagram, Twitter and Facebook pages.

As you can see below there are still spaces available at a number of camps so there is still time to book



As in previous years, the Deacons' Court will assist any families in meeting the cost of sending their children to camp. Please speak in confidence to Rev Andrew Coghill or any member of the Deacons' Court or email garrabostfree@gmail.com.

Sailors' Society – Collection of Bibles

The Sailors' Society, based in Invergordon, are looking for old English Bibles (any version) for distributing to some of the 168,000 passengers and 70,000 crew that visit the area each year. The Sailors' Society runs a Seafarers Centre in the summer months during which they distribute Bibles and Christian Literature to all their visitors. **If you have English Bibles you are no longer using and would be willing to donate, could you please bring them to your church from where they will be collected.** For more information please contact Rev Murdo Campbell at murdocampbell@live.co.uk

Women for Mission

Women for Mission are holding a joint event with **Comann Eachdraidh An Rubha** on **Friday, 6th March**, when Malcolm Macdonald, co-author of The Darkest Dawn, will give a talk on the **Iolaire** disaster in **Ionad Stoodie** at **7.30pm**. WfM will provide catering for the event and will also provide a baking and produce stall.

For information on how you can help with the event, please pick up one of the leaflets at the door.

Presbytery Youth & Discipleship Support Worker – Commissioning Service

A Commissioning Service to mark the appointment of **Mr Gordon Macleod** as the Presbytery Youth & Discipleship Support Worker will be held in North Harris Free Church, Tarbert, on Wednesday 26th February 2020 at 7.30pm. Rev James Maciver will preach and preside. We give thanks to the Lord for Gordon's appointment and for the desire he's been given to engage in this important work. Your attendance at the service would be a great encouragement to Gordon and confirmation of your prayerful interest as he prepares to take up the post on 1st March 2020.

Prayer Notes

Separate prayer notes are now being produced on a weekly basis. They include congregational related issues, Praying for One Another, the Global Mission prayer points for the coming week and other relevant prayer points.

If anyone would like any prayer points to be included, please email garrabostfree@gmail.com or speak to one of the elders.

Items for uplifting today

The **February Record**.

DayOne Magazine, Breakthrough (Slavic Gospel Newsletter)

Barnabas Aid (Aid agency for the persecuted church)

Paracetamol is so underrated: The latest blog and update on Dominic Smart.

Supply

1 st March	Iain Alasdair Macdonald
8 th March	Rev Thomas Davis, St. Columba's, Edinburgh
15 th March	Rev Dr Malcolm Maclean, Greyfriars, Inverness
22 nd March	Rev Ian Watson, Blackwood & Kirkmuirhill

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Prayer Notes

23rd February 2020

Rejoice always, **pray without ceasing**, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you **1 Thess 5:16-18**

Congregation and Community

- Please pray for the **elders, deacons** and the **interim moderator**. Pray for wisdom and discernment for them to make the correct judgements in all future decisions.
- Pray for those who have 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 those who have left our community for college or university or to work.
- Pray for **those** in our community who currently **do not attend church**.
- Pray for those connected with the congregation who are **housebound, hospitalised** or in **nursing homes** and those who are recovering at home after being in hospital.
- Pray for those receiving cancer treatment and any who are awaiting test results for themselves or for a loved one.
- Pray for any in our community who struggle with different forms of mental illness and pray for understanding and patience towards them.
- Pray for **Morag Maclean** on the passing of her beloved husband, **Rev John Maclean**. Please also pray for her son **Martin** and his wife **Shivonne**.
- Please keep praying for **Rev Dominic Smart** and his family as he continues his fight against cancer, which as you can read in the latest update available at the door, is not as positive as it has been of late. It is amazing how God is giving them the strength to cope.
- **Schools** – Please continue to pray for the **children**. Remember also the **teachers** and **assistants** and that they would be able to cope with all that they have to contend with.
- **Faith Mission** – Please pray for the Tent Mission in Point, planned for the first week in June.

Activities

ABC – Please pray for all the children, that they would remember the things they learn and that God would bless it to them and their families. Please also pray that some new volunteers would come forward.

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 – Please pray for the teachers, **Christine Cumming, Janis Brand and Finlay Maclennan** and all those who help them each week as well as the children and parents. Pray that they would all know God's blessing.

Children's Church - Pray also for Children's Church as they meet during all school holidays. Give thanks for Anne Mackenzie who manages the programme and rota and for all those who volunteer to help out.

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 meet each Wednesday.

Parent and Toddler Group - pray for parents and the children and those from the congregation who help from week to week each term.

Free Church Youth Camps Pray for **Kirsten, Donald** and the **Camps Team Leaders** as they make preparations and recruit the leadership teams. Pray that the love of God would be taught faithfully and would be demonstrated through the work of **FCYC**. Pray that all the available spaces in the camps would be filled.

PRAYING FOR ONE ANOTHER

Maryburgh & Killearnan

Minister: Alec Stewart

The church is located in Maryburgh, 2 miles south of Dingwall. The parish also covers the south part of the Black Isle from Muir of Ord to Tore

Prayer Points

1. Maryburgh is the only church building in the village. The building has recently been renovated – please give thanks for this renovation and pray that the building will be used for intentional mission.
2. Rev Alec Stewart has joined the Generation: Church Development Track. Pray that ideas and networking opportunities which are presented in the track will further the mission of the congregation.

Hope Church, Blackwood & Kirkmuirhill

Minister: Ian Watson

Our church family live in rural South Lanarkshire, centred on the villages of Blackwood and Kirkmuirhill. The age spread of our church is weighted towards the elderly, but we also have a number of younger people, couples and families. We recently refurbished our building which is used by and for the community during the week. Our communities are a mixture of social backgrounds, with a commuting culture but also significant deprivation.

Prayer Points

1. Give thanks for the many members who are well known members of the community and who are involved in wider community events.
2. The church building has been renovated and is in a prominent position in the village. Give thanks for this provision and pray for even greater mission impact.



Saturday 22nd / Sunday 23rd - SFR

Please give thanks that the much needed public water supply in Mera is now complete, and please pray that Diakonia will be able to meet the cost of installing a suitable fire prevention system which will satisfy fire regulations. It is important to gain the necessary Fire Certificate for the nursing home in Mera.

Monday 24th - SA

Pray for the planning, advertising, and the speakers for the Christian Leaders Workshop to be held at Dumisani on March 6th. The topic of the workshop is Church Revitalisation, which continues the workshop theme from last year. May many local leaders attend.

Tuesday 25th - HTC

Please pray for the annual 'Missions Tour' due to take place today. Various Mission societies will be represented both in HTC Dingwall and HTC Paisley. This is an excellent opportunity for students to hear about possibilities for future college placements and to hear more about what God is doing throughout the world.

Wednesday 26th / Thursday 27th - CWI Hungary

Clara professed faith in Jesus a couple of years ago but later stopped going to church and began coming up with her own ideas about God. However, more recently she has started to show a renewed interest in the Bible and invited CWI missionary Bogi Kozma to begin meeting with her again regularly. Please pray that her enthusiasm will not fade and that she will not only listen but understand and live her life according to all that the Bible teaches.

Friday 28th - SA

Pray for Jack and Nancy Whytock who are visiting lecturers this term at Dumisani, and the five courses which they are teaching. May good health and blessings attend these labours.

Saturday 29th / Sunday 1st - ERT: Mongolia

Pray for translator Yanjaa Enkhtaivan who struggles with serious health issues but who is doing a vital work for publishing house Hiad Buteel and the church in Mongolia.



SLAVIC GOSPEL ASSOCIATION

70TH ANNIVERSARY PRAYER NOTES

Sunday23

Pray today for two of our new church planters. A former Muslim, Galym Tolekeyy is seeking to bring the Gospel to his own people in Kazakhstan. Pray too for Gennadiy Sedakov planting a new church in the east of Ukraine, close to the war zone. Through providing essential supplies to needy people, he is creating effective ways to evangelize and reach people for Christ.

Monday24

Pray for Chris Menzfeld and his wife Karen living in Devon. Chris represents the Mission in the south west of England, the Channel Islands and south Wales. May he know great encouragement as he shares about the work of SGA.

Tuesday25

New staff appointments have been made in Romania, Moldova and Ukraine. We are thankful to God for His provision of three Regional Co-ordinators - Pastor Oni Mladin, Romania; Pastor Peter Mihalchiuk, Moldova; Pastor Roman Vecherkovsky, Ukraine. Pray that they will settle into their new roles.

Wednesday26

We are thankful to God for all the opportunities to teach and train in mission schools. Pray for wisdom for those who have the oversight of these schools, and for those who so willingly and ably translate for our UK staff.

Thursday27

We remember Wayne O'Leary, his wife Iris and their family in Tewkesbury, Glos. Wayne serves the Lord in the Midlands area. Pray for him as he travels and builds relationships throughout this region.

Friday28

Pray for staff member Martyn Pearson, his wife Amanda and family in the W. Mids. Martyn has been appointed as an SGA part time representative for the West Midlands and a part time Finance Co-Ordinator in the Rugby Office. Pray for him as he settles into his new role and shares about SGA's ministries.

Saturday29

We continue to uphold before the Lord, the vital work being carried out in FE Russia. Pray for Grigory Andreyanov working in that region and involved in four church plants. The work faces many practical and spiritual challenges, but prayers have already been answered. Pray too for the other four missionaries that SGA is supporting in FE Russia; Avel Dorohov, Konstantin Minaev, Artyom Zemlyanov, and Rostislav Shtompel. Pray for Sunday's SGA Meetings in Cork & Westside.