



# GARRABOST

## FREE CHURCH

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

**Weekly Bulletin**  
**18th August 2019**

**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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### **Children's packs – evening service**

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.

Both Services to be taken by **Rev Malcolm Macleod**.  
We thank **Mr Macleod** for taking the services today.

**Main Road Church**  
**12 noon**

Psalm 106:1-6 (Scottish Psalter, p378) **CM**

Psalm 63: 1-6 (Sing Psalms, p80) **LM**

Psalm 4:1-6 (Sing Psalms, p3) **CM**

Psalm 31: 18-21 (Scottish Psalter, p242) **CM**

**Reading**

Genesis 13

**Sunday School** will restart today 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 **Anne Mackenzie** and **Mary Bell Macleod**.

**School Road Church**  
**6.00pm**

Psalm 72:1-8 (Scottish Psalter, p312) **CM**

Psalm 45(a):3-7 (Sing Psalms, p57) **CM**

Psalm 132:10-18 (Sing Psalms, p174) **8787D**

Psalm 24:7-10 (Scottish Psalter, p230) **CM**

**Reading**

Psalm 110

Hebrews 1

### Congregational services and events this week

Monday 19th

**7.00pm** – WFM Walking Group will meet at Tiumpanhead Community Centre car park.

Wednesday 21st

**7.30pm** - Prayer Meeting in **Main Road Church** to be taken by the elders.

Friday 23rd

**1.00pm** – The Parent and Toddler group will meet in **Main Road Church Hall**.

### Services next Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> August

Both services to be taken by **Rev David Meredith**

12noon

Main Road Church

6.00pm

School Road Church

**Sunday School** will meet during the 12noon service.

The creche will be supervised by **Alison Macdonald** and **Peigi Macleod**

### Gossiping the Gospel

David Meredith will hold a session on personal evangelism called Gossiping the gospel on **Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> August** between 10am and 12.30pm. This will involve a mixture of talk and small group discussion on the principles and delivery of personal evangelism, looking at some of the most common problems as well as the opportunities. All are welcome.

### Invitation Service

**On Sunday 1 September**, the evening service in **School Road** will be an **Invitation Service** with refreshments in the **Main Road** hall afterwards where **Rev David Meredith** will host a **Q&A** session. Please pray about this and think of who you can invite along. There will be more information available next week.

## Garrabost Free Church Website

The website for the congregation is the easiest and quickest way to access the bulletin and sermons online. If you to log on to [www.garrabostfree.church](http://www.garrabostfree.church) and click on 'Notices', you will be able to view the bulletin and prayer notes. They are usually uploaded on Saturday night and are also uploaded to the congregation's Facebook page at the same time. They will no longer be hosted on Sermon Audio. To listen to any sermon preached in Garrabost congregation you should also log on to the website and click on the 'Listen to Sermons' link. The sermons are currently being hosted on Sermon Audio as well but that is being reviewed at the moment. There is also a link on the home page of the website to a calendar for the congregation as well as a direct link to the news page of the main **Free Church** website. **If you have any questions or suggestions or any other issues regarding the congregation's online activity (or anything else), please email [garrabostfree@gmail.com](mailto:garrabostfree@gmail.com) or speak to one of the elders.**

## GDPR

Just a reminder that as a result of change in legislation last year to how personal information is used by organisations, we as a congregation can not include personal information or photos online without specific permission from the individual (or in the case of children - a parent or guardian). Currently we do not have consent from all who are on rotas or for all the Sunday school children which means we can't have the rotas on the online version of the bulletin or have any Sunday school related photos on the website or Facebook. There is a list available today of those who are on any of the rotas and have still to complete a consent form. There are forms available at the doors. The Sunday school forms will be updated after the holidays. **Apologies if your name is on the list and you have already completed a form. If this is the case, could you please complete another one.**

## Prayer Notes

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

**If anyone would like any prayer points to be included, please email [garrabostfree@gmail.com](mailto:garrabostfree@gmail.com) or speak to one of the elders.**

**Please note** that we will not mention individuals by name unless specifically requested.

## Challenger Bus Visit

Plans are underway for the **Challenger Bus** to return to Point from **Saturday 14 to Saturday 21 September**. This year's theme will be **Finders of the Hidden Truth** and is aimed at primary age children. It will be on each night from **Monday 16th to Thursday 19<sup>th</sup>** between **6pm and 7.30pm**. This will be both in **Sgoil an Rubha** and also on **Challenger 4**. Please remember this work in your prayers.

## Stuart Townend – Friday 6<sup>th</sup> September

**Stuart Townend**, writer of modern hymns such as "In Christ Alone" and "How Deep the Father's Love" will be performing at the Lewis Sports Centre from 7.30pm. Tickets are priced at **£15** for general admission and **£10** for under 18s. Tickets are available at Stornoway Religious Book Shop or online at [www.tickettailor.com/events/eventplanningstornoway](http://www.tickettailor.com/events/eventplanningstornoway)

### Sermon CDs

If there are any in the congregation who are unable to listen to sermons online and would like CDs, these can be provided free of charge. Please ask any of the office bearers who will make the necessary arrangements.

### Harris Mission Conference

Please come to hear what God is doing overseas by coming to the Harris Mission Conference on **Saturday 24th August** at North Harris Free Church **10am to 4pm**. **Mike Parker** of Middle East Christian Outreach will be the key speaker. Angus and Kirsty Mckellar will lead a seminar on their upcoming deployment. We will also hear of children's work in the Far East and recent work in Malawi and Romania. Soup and rolls will be served for lunch.

### Items for uplifting today

The **July/August Record**, **DayOne Magazine**, **Breakthrough** (Slavic Gospel Newsletter) & **Barnabas Aid** (Aid agency for the persecuted church)

**\*NEW\*** latest blog '**Paracetamol is So Underrated**' with an update on Dominic Smart's condition.

**Inspire** – Inspire has been relaunched as a smaller and very readable magazine. The current issue focuses on mental health.

### Supply

25 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Rev David Meredith
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Any notices for the bulletin should be forwarded by Friday morning.

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## Prayer Notes

18th August 2019

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**

### 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 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
- 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**.
- Pray for **Rev John H Maclean** who is seriously unwell at home at present. John has been a good servant of our congregation during our vacancy.
- Pray for **Rev Dominic Smart** and his family as he continues his fight against cancer.
- Please pray for **Angus Macdonald**, Swordale, who is in hospital waiting to be sent to Glasgow for an angiogram and further treatment.
  
- **ABC** – Please pray for the new term of ABC which is due to start on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September. Pray for all the children that will come along for the first time and also that we would have some new volunteers.
- **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 new term starting today. Please pray for the teachers, **Christine Cumming, Janis Brand and Finlay Maclellan** and all those who help them each week as well as the children and parents. Pray that they would all know God's blessing.
- **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 prepare to restart after the summer and as they plan for next term.
- **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 each term.
- **School pupils** – Please remember the children as they go back to school. Pray as well for all those who have just gone to school for the first time

# FreeChurchYouthCamps

## Give thanks

- for the prayer, planning, organising and fundraising that took place for FCYC 2019 which was started by Laura and carried on by Kirsten.
- for **Kirsten** for her hard work, planning, prayer and her brilliant use of social media and communication with congregations to ensure everything came together so well.
- for the teams who worked so tirelessly to make the camps happen and who so willingly and selflessly gave up a week of their holidays to serve the Lord and provide for the children.
- for the '**Adopt a Camp**' initiative which has raised awareness among the congregations and provided additional support for the leaders.
- for all the young people who have attended camp this year
- above all for God's provision and blessing

## Please pray

- for the children who attended our **2019 'Adopted Camp'- KinCraig Kids 1**. Pray that what they learnt at Camp will make a real difference to them as they settle back into their daily routines, that they will continue to grow closer to Jesus and that they will be encouraged and disciplined. Pray especially for those who are not part of a local church and who may not receive much support.
- for the campers and their families, especially those who are not Christians, as the campers tell of all they saw, heard and learnt during their week at camp.
- for **Kirsten** and **Donald (Camps Coordinator)** as they take a well-earned break before getting down to the planning for **FCYC 2020**
- for the **congregations** of Campers, that they will continue to **support and disciple** the Campers after Camp.

## The Big Free Rally!

Please pray for the planning for the Big Free Rally which takes place on **28th September**. Pray that lots of young people will attend and that it will be a blessing to them all.

**PRAYING FOR ONE ANOTHER****18 August 2019****Glasgow City**

Glasgow City Free Church is located in the business quarter of the city centre and is a gathered church with members coming from a scattered area within and out with the city. It has a wide age spread with most worshippers falling within the 16 to 54 age range. There is a creche, Sunday School and Bible Class. The congregation attracts students from Scotland and overseas. Small Groups meet regularly in different homes. Tourists (curious to view the interior church architecture) along with workers from nearby businesses are invited to a 15-minute service every Tuesday.

***Prayer Points***

1. Please pray for blessing on the preached Word and for good contacts with new students coming to the city to study after the summer. Please pray for wisdom regarding the future location of the congregation as we are currently looking at the possibility of acquiring new premises.
2. Please pray for our church plant in the town of Helensburgh, that we would soon be able to appoint a church planter to take the work forward.

**Nairn**

We're very encouraged here. We have a reasonably good mix of age-ranges, and a lovely fellowship made up of folks native to the Free Church and of those who have come in from other backgrounds. For ten years till 2018 we were joined with Smithton Free Church which enabled us to get back to the position of being a self-sustaining Free Church once again with our own in-house full-time minister, Kirk Session and Deacons' Court.

***Prayer Points***

1. Give thanks for all those who prayed, attended and witnessed in less encouraging times - we wouldn't be where we are today without them.
2. We have many good relationships within our community through our work with schools, nursing homes, children's and youth groups, parent and toddler group, other churches, ministries of compassion, etc. Pray that we would see many more from our ever-growing town coming to know Jesus and becoming his followers.

## **ETS PRAYER POINTS**

### **•ETS Prayer Points - August 2019:**

- ◆ Pray for the coming academic year & for the students as they prepare to begin or return to their studies
- ◆ Pray for our Principal, Iver Martin
- ◆ Pray for our overseas students & give thanks for our ongoing links with the church across the world



### **Sun 18<sup>th</sup> CWI**

CWI missionary in London, Philip Amos, recently attended a New Age outreach in London. He had conversations with a number of Jewish people there including Ethan, a Jewish man who holds to a wide range of New Age philosophies and ideas. Philip has since met up with Ethan to share the news that Jesus is the only way to God. As their conversation continues, please pray that the Lord will be at work in Ethan's heart through Philip's gospel witness.

### **Mon 19<sup>th</sup> ERT Sri Lanka**

Alroy Mascenghe is currently writing a commentary on Philippians in the Tamil language of Sri Lanka. He requests prayer as he is juggling many things at the same time. Please pray for his writing project and for his spiritual well-being.

### **Tues 20<sup>th</sup> Peru**

Pray for secondary pupils as they sit prelims in English today and for their teachers as they do all the marking! Please pray for God's blessing on the development of English in San Andres as it moves towards becoming a bilingual school.

### **Wed 21<sup>st</sup> SASRA**

It's always good to be of practical help. Roddy asks us to pray that he will have opportunities to be of use.

### **Thurs 22<sup>nd</sup> OMF**

Pray for Muriel in her final weeks in Cambodia before her Home Assignment begins. She asks us to pray that she will have time to engage with her neighbours in a meaningful way.

### **Fri 23<sup>rd</sup> SA**

Continue in prayer for another new lecturer who is teaching his first course at Dumisani this term and Principal Chipenyu's mentoring of this process.