**Seek ye First**Seek ye first the kingdom of God
and His righteousness and all these things
shall be added unto you.
Allelu, alleluia.*Seek ye first ………*
Man shall not live by bread alone
but by every word
that proceeds from the mouth of God.
Allelu, alleluia. *Man shall not ………*
Ask and it shall be given unto you,
seek and ye shall find;
knock and the door shall be opened up to you.
Allelu, alleluia. *Ask and it ……….*
(CCLI No. 1352)

**Shout to the Lord**My Jesus, My Saviour
Lord there is none like you
All of my days, I want to praise
The wonders of Your mighty love
My comfort, my shelter
Tower of refuge and strength
Let every breath, all that I am
Never cease to worship You
*Shout to the Lord, all the earth let us sing*
*Power and majesty, praise to the King!*
*Mountains bow down and the seas will roar*
*At the sound of your name!*
*I sing for joy at the work of your hands*
*Forever I'll love you, forever I'll stand*
*Nothing compares to the promise I have in You*
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FREE CHURCH

GLENELG AND INVERINATE

WEEKLY BULLETIN

Sunday 9th March 2025

Service at 12.00 noon in Inverinate Hall

and

6.00pm in Glenelg Church of Scotland

We warmly welcome you to this service of worship and would love you to join us for tea, coffee and refreshment

*Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts.* ***Colossians 3:16***

**NOTICES**

* **Today’s Service:**We are delighted to have Finlay Macdonald leading us in worship from Luke 10:38-42, Sermon - *Priority number 1*  in Inverinate. Then a Praise & Prayer evening in Glenelg at 6.00pm.
* **Praise:**
Sing Psalms 46: 7-11 (page 60) – *The Lord Almighty is with us*

Hymn – Seek ye first – see back page
Sing Psalms 63: 1-6 (page 80) – *O God, you are my God alone*

Hymn – *Shout to the Lord* – see back page

* **Sunday School:** Sunday School and JaM Group will run as usual today during our 12.00 noon service. There is also a creche for the very little ones.
* **Next Sunday 16th March:** Rev James Blackwell will lead us in worship at the 12.00 noon Service at Inverinate Hall and the 6.00pm Service in Glenelg.
* **Church Prayer Meeting:** Please remember that our Church Prayer Meeting is now held every Sunday at 11.15am in Inverinate Hall before the Sunday Service. Prayer is the engine room of the church and this is a wonderful opportunity every Sunday to come together as brothers and sisters in Christ and pray together. So please do come along and join us in prayer to our Heavenly Father.
* **Upcoming Events:**
* **Slow Cooker Supper Fundraiser:** On Saturday 22nd March we will be holding a fundraising Slow-Cooker Supper and Quiz event in Inverinate Hall at 6.00pm. We will be raising funds for Inverinate Hall and the Kyle Leisure Centre. Please put the date in your diaries and come along and enjoy a lovely supper and a fun quiz evening. The event can be booked via our church Facebook page or speak to Finlay and he can book you in.
* **COOL:** Give thanks for: the Youth Weekend Away at Altnacriche at the beginning of February. For the young people who came, for the volunteers who gave up their time, and for the interest and excitement many of the young people took in Christianity over the course of the weekend and the COOL Annual Celebration at the start of February and the encouragement that evening was.
* **Enrich Training Day:** Bookings are now live for that day. We have a great group of people from SU Scotland and other youth organisations coming through to inspire those in Skye and Lochalsh who work with children and young people. Enrich will be a chance for those involved in this work to grow in the skills they already have, learn new skills and ideas from experts from across Scotland, and think about ways their ministry with children and young people can be enriched over the years to come. Enrich will be held at **Kyle Free Church on Saturday 29th March from 10am to 4pm**. A small charge of £5 will help to cover speaker costs and costs of a light lunch provided. To book on and for more information, please see the following link: <https://coolscotland.org.uk/enrich/>
* **Online Studies:** Our Ladies Study Group are continuing their Two-Year Bible Read Through study. Our Men's Study Group have just started our Easter Study, *In Quietness & Trust*, so this would be a great time to join up. If you are interested in joining either group please speak to Moira, Barbara or Colin.
* **Easter Bible Study:** We have an Easter Bible Study again this year, for the whole church to take part in together. It is a 40 day study called '*In Quietness & Trust*' by Matt Searles, looking at the beatitudes (Matthew 5:3-10). We would encourage everyone to take part in some way, either as part our weekly Bible Studies, our online studies, as an individual daily devotional or as part of a small group of friends. Copies are available at the door, please do take one and join in with the church family as we study God's Word together.
* **Wednesday Bible Studies:**  Our Glenelg Study Group are meeting in Jon and Megan MacDonald's home at 7.30pm. All are warmly invited.
* **Church Baking:** Anyone who would like to volunteer to be on the Baking Rota are invited to speak to Barbara MacDonald to have their name added.
* **Persecuted Church:** We have some material from Open Doors on the persecuted church available for you. It includes details of the worst 50 countries in the world to be a Christian and prayer points. There are also resources for children available. Please take one if you can use it. Thanks.
* **Teens Conference 2025:** Booking now open! The conference will take place from Friday 20th to Sunday 22nd June at Lendrick Muir. Rev. Robin Gray, of Gardenstown Free Church, will speak on the theme of One with Jesus: The Blessing of Being in Christ. Anyone S5 or S6 age, as of January 2025, whether already a Christian or just interested to find out more, is very welcome.

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* **Praying for One Another:** Please add the following points to your prayer diaries:

**COOL:** Timmy is planning on starting an afterschool Bible study on Mondays for young people who are keen on reading and learning more from the Bible. Please pray for this and that the young people who come along might have more opportunities to grow in their faith.

**Trotternish**: Pray for Rev Nigel Anderson and the elders as they seek to lead and serve the congregation, that the Lord would strengthen and uphold them. Pray that our church family would have many opportunities to share our faith with friends, family, neighbours and work colleagues and that strong and healthy relationships with unbelievers in the community would be nurtured and established.

**Open Doors:** Around the world women are persecuted for both their faith and gender. Pray for Open Doors workers helping women discover their identity in Christ, and pray that our sisters will accept and believe the truth of God’s Word.