**AMAZING GRACE**Amazing grace – how sweet the sound –
that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found,
was blind, but now I see.

‘Twas grace that taught my heart to fear
and grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed.

Through many dangers, toils and snares,
I have already come;
‘tis grace hath brought me safe thus far,
And grace will lead me home.

When we’ve been there ten thousand years
bright shining as the sun,
we’ve no less days to sing God’s praise
than when we’ve first begun.
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WEEKLY BULLETIN

Sunday 25th May 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

*Lord, I have heard of your fame; I stand in awe of your deeds, Lord: Repeat them in our day, in our time make them known; in wrath remember mercy.* **Habakkuk 3:2**

**NOTICES**

* **Today’s Services:**We are delighted to have Arran Macdonald, leading us in worship from Acts 17:1-34, Sermon – *‘Stumps and Saplings: The Spreading of a Good News’ in* Inverinate. Then Finlay Macdonald will lead us this evening in Glenelg.
* **Praise:**

Scottish Psalter 100:1-5 (page 362) – *All people that on earth do dwell*
Sing Psalms 133 (page 175) – *How excellent a thing it is*

Scottish Psalter 84:1-9 (page 338) – *How lovely is thy dwelling-place*

Hymn – *Amazing Grace* – see back page

* **Next Sunday 1st June:** Ken Macdonald will lead our 12.00 noon Service at Inverinate Hall and the 6.00pm Service in Glenelg.
* **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.
* **COOL Prayer for Youth:** This informal gathering will be held on **Wednesday 28th May at the Lighthouse Centre in Kyle at 7.30pm.** We want to bring together people from across our local area to be praying for our children and young people and for the ongoing work of COOL. There is no requirement to pray out loud but we would love to see as many people as possible there.
* **Holiday Club and Youth Activity Week:** Bookings have opened for our Holiday Bible Club and our Youth Activity Week. Please do be passing on information for these weeks to children, young people and their families in our congregation. The link to book is: https://coolscotland.org.uk/events/​
* **Sunday School Picnic:** Come along to a family picnic on **Saturday 31st May**.All welcome Meet at Arnisdale Hall at 2.00pm and bring a rug and some food to share. Hopefully we'll enjoy games and fun on the seashore/river so make sure the kids have swimsuits and towels.  We'll also have hotdogs on the go.  Happy to take kids unaccompanied if you trust us!  And if you need transport let Cheryl or Barbara know.
* **Congregational Meeting:** There will be a congregational meeting after the Inverinate Service on **Sunday 8th June** regarding the Glenelg church building. Please make every effort to attend, especially if you are a member of the congregation, thank you. **[Please note the change of date]**
* **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.
* **Wednesday Bible Studies:** There will be no Wednesday studies this week to allow us to attend the COOL Prayer for Youth meeting in Kyle.
* **Online Studies:**Our Ladies Study Group are continuing their Two-Year Bible Read Through study. Our Men's Study Group are continuing their study on the book of Genesis. It's always a great time to join up so if you are interested in joining either group please speak to Moira, Barbara or Colin.
* **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.
* **Praying for One Another:** Please add the following points to your prayer diaries:

**Bon Accord:** Please pray for us as we begin to plant Garioch Free Church, especially Ben and the Traynor family as they look to move into Inverurie over the summer. Please pray that the Lord would guard our unity and grow us in maturity through this exciting but stretching time in the life of the Bon Accord church family.

**Loch Ness**: Rev Sean Ankers is currently on sabbatical until the end of June.  We ask for prayer for him to be blessed both physically and spiritually during this time.  We give thanks for those who are providing preaching supply. As a consequence of Covid and bereavements, the congregation at Fort Augustus has declined to the extent that Sunday services are now only held on an intermittent basis.  Pray for revival in that area and that the church would be able to find opportunities to reach into this community with the Gospel.

**Matt and Maria, Greece:** Please pray for the continued growth of two individuals who are hungry to study God’s word. Please pray that we would have more opportunities to have good conversations to share God’s good news and our testimonies in the regular hikes we are doing.

**UFM:** Pray that the churches in Moldova will know a fresh breeze from heaven and that many will seek the Saviour again.