**BEFORE THE THRONE OF GOD ABOVE**

Before the throne of God above

I have a strong and perfect plea,

a great High Priest whose name is "Love,"

who ever lives and pleads for me.

My name is graven on His hands;

my name is written on His heart;

I know that while in heaven He stands,

no tongue can bid me thence depart;

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When Satan tempts me to despair,

and tells me of the guilt within,

upward I look and see Him there

who made an end of all my sin.

Because the sinless Savior died,

my sinful soul is counted free;

for God the Just is satisfied

to look on Him and pardon me;

to look on Him and pardon me.

Behold Him there, the risen Lamb!

My perfect, spotless Righteousness;

the great unchangeable I AM,

the King of glory and of grace!

One with Himself I cannot die;

my soul is purchased with His blood;

my life is hid with Christ on high,

with Christ my Savior and my God;

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*I seek you with all my heart; do not let me stray from your commands. I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you.* ***Psalm 119:10-11***

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# GLENELG AND INVERINATE

# WEEKLY BULLETIN

**Sunday 23rd June 2024**

**Services 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 refreshments**

*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:** Today we are delighted to have Ken MacDonald to lead us in worship at our 12.00 noon service in Inverinate and we look forward to hearing what God has laid on his heart for us. Ken’s reading is Psalm 8 with his sermon entitled *The Majestic Name of the LORD*. For the 6.00pm service in Glenelg we will hear part nine of the online sermon series on Ezekiel by Rev Ian Hamilton. The evening service will be followed by our weekly Prayer Meeting.
* **Sunday School:** Today is our Sunday School Prizegivingwhich will take place during the 12 noon service, before children leave for their final Sunday School session of this term. There will also be a creche for the very little ones. Sunday School will restart at the end of the school summer holidays, but there will always be provision for children joining us for the Sunday service every week.
* **Praise:**

Scottish Psalter Psalm 8 (page 207) – *How excellent in all the earth*

Scottish Psalter Psalm 93 (page 354) – *The Lord doth reign*

Scottish Psalter Psalm 98 (page 360) – *O sing a new song to the LORD*

Hymn (see back page) – *Before the throne of God above*

* **Congregational Meeting:** There will be a congregational meeting on Sunday 7th July after the 12.00 noon service to approve a closed call being given to Rev James Blackwell, probationer, currently acting as congregational worker with pastoral responsibilities in Fort William. This is a very important meeting in the life and work of our church so please make every effort to attend.
* **International Day of Prayer for the Emergency Services:** On Wednesday 26th June at 7.30pm in Kyle Free Church. A time of prayer for our emergency services led by Dave Mockett. All are welcome and are encouraged to go along if you can.
* **Next Sunday 30th June:** Ken MacDonald will lead us in worship at the 12.00 noon Inverinate service and for the 6.00pm service in Glenelg we will listen the final part of our online sermon series on Ezekiel.
* **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 Paul’s letters and are starting the book of Colossians this week. If you are interested in joining either group please speak to Moira, Barbara or Colin.
* **Bible Studies:** Both of our Wednesday evening Bible studies are on this week. The Dornie group meet at 7.30pm at Colin and Vivienne MacKenzie’s home. In Glenelg we are continuing our study called *God is God and You are You* by Thomas Davies. We meet at Peter and Moira Lane’s home for a 7.30pm start. All are warmly welcome to both studies.
* **Holiday Bible Clubs/Youth Activity Weeks:** It’s that exciting time of the year again when we are busy finalising our plans for the Holiday Bible Club (15th to 19th July) for Primary age children and the Youth Activity Week (16th to 19th July) for P7 and High School Youth. Please do pray for the organisers and leaders.
* **Praying For One Another**: Please add the following to your Prayer diaries:
	+ **Turkey:** A church in Istanbul has recently begun question and answer sessions on Saturdays for people from the surrounding area. Pray for wisdom in selecting the topics and that those who attend would recognise the truth and come to know the Saviour. Pray also for protection from all who would want to stop such activities.
	+ **South Uist and Benbecula:** Please pray for the congregation in their time of vacancy, that they would be strengthened and that they would be able to call a minister to the congregation. Please pray for the people in the communities of South Uist and Benbecula, that their hearts would be softened to the gospel.
	+ **Scripture Union Scotland:** Give thanks for the 26 Trainees who are booked for *LeadUp* which is running at Alltnacriche from 21st to 28th June. Give thanks for their desire to deepen their faith and develop their leadership skills. Many of them previously attended Basecamp training and it is encouraging they want to stay involved in Scripture Union Scotland and enjoy fellowship together.
	+ **COOL:** Pray for the plans to take a group of young people to Magnitude in July. Pray that young people might be keen to join that week away.
	+ **Cross:** Please pray that the congregation would be blessed as they gather weekly in worship. Please pray that the Lord would strengthen His church in Cross and that Christ would be glorified above all. Please pray that the Church would have a strong gospel witness and presence in the local area. Please pray that the Lord would reveal Himself to those who do not yet know Him as their Saviour. Pray that we would be bold to share the good news of Jesus to those around us.
	+ **Loch Ness (Glenurquhart and Fort Augustus):** Please pray for the youth in the Glen, especially those who attend Boys Brigade, Sunday School, Sunday youth night and other outreaches that they would know and love God. The lonely, homeless and hungry are on our hearts. Please pray for God to open doors for the church to give practical care wherever it is needed.
	+ **Golspie:** Give thanks to God for His faithfulness to the ministry in Golspie. Please pray that He will continue strengthening His people for works of service. Please pray that over the summer the ministry would be strengthened and that God would continue building up His church for His glory.