**THERE IS A REDEEMER**

There is a Redeemer
Jesus, God's own son
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah
Holy One

*Thank you oh my Father
For giving us your Son
And leaving your Spirit
'Till the work on earth is done.*

Jesus my Redeemer
Name above all names
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah
Oh, for sinners slain.

*Chorus*

When I stand in glory
I will see His face
And there I'll serve my King forever
In that holy place.

*Chorus*

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FREE CHURCH

GLENELG AND INVERINATE

WEEKLY BULLETIN

Sunday 16th February 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

*Praise be to the Lord, the God of Israel, because he has come to his people and redeemed them.* *He has raised up a hornof salvation for us in the house of his servant David.*

***Luke 1:68-69***

**NOTICES**

* **Today’s Service:**We are delighted to have Rev James Blackwell leading us in worship from Genesis 6:1-8, Sermon – *‘The Fallen’* in Inverinate. Then from Esther 6:1-13, Sermon – ‘*Sleepless night, roles reversed’*, this evening in Glenelg
* **Praise:**
Sing Psalms 27:4-8 (page 32) – *One thing I’ll plead before the Lord*

Sing Psalms 119(17):129-136 (page 165) – *Your statutes, Lord, are wonderful,*
Sing Psalms 29:1-11 (page 34) – *You mighty ones, give to the Lord as his right,*

Hymn – *There is a Redeemer* – 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 23rd February:** Rev James Blackwell will lead us in worship at the 12.00 noon Service at Inverinate Hall and the 6.00pm Service in Glenelg.
* **Upcoming Events:**
* **COOL:** COOL are planning a Training Day for anyone involved in children's and youth work. We have a great group of people from SU Scotland and other youth organisations coming through to inspire those in Skye and Lochalsh and it's shaping up to be a really great day. The Training Day will be held on Saturday 29th March. More details will follow.
* **Manse painting.** Claire and the manse kids are heading off to visit their grandparents from 15th-19th February. And we would like to surprise them by decorating their rooms while they are away. Any help would be greatly appreciated (especially with wallpapering). Bacon rolls and unlimited coffee/tea will be provided. Speak to James if you're able to help out at all. Many thanks.
* **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.
* **Easter Bible Study:  W**e 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. The study will begin on Wednesday 5th March and will end on Saturday 19th April (40 days, Sundays not included.)  Copies are available at the door, please do take one and join in with the church family as we study God's Word together.
* **Online Studies:** Our Ladies Study Group are continuing their Two-Year Bible Read Through study. Our Men's Study Group will be starting a new study on 'Authority in the Christian Life', 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.
* **Wednesday Bible Studies:**  Our Glenelg Study Group are meeting in Jon and Megan MacDonald's home at 7.30pm, where we will be continuing our study on the book of Job. All are warmly invited.
* **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.

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* **Praying for One Another:** Please add the following points to your prayer diaries:
* **Knockbain:** Give thanks for a new ministry beginning in Knockbain. Please pray the congregation will be strengthened and blessed by this ministry, and that the Lord would be greatly at work within the community. Please remember Knockbain in prayer as today is the induction of Rev Murdo Campbell as our new minister and he will be preaching on the Sunday for the first time. Please pray that all will go well with the practicalities of the induction and that Murdo, together with his wife Alison and four boys David, Finlay, Daniel and Matthew will know the Lord's blessing as they begin this next chapter of their ministry in Knockbain.
* **Sashko, Poland:** Pray for our translation team as they work to accurately convey complex theological concepts in Ukrainian while maintaining the heart and meaning of each text.  Pray that God would provide the necessary resources and partnerships to continue this publishing work. Many vital titles have never been available in Ukrainian, and we want to help fill this crucial gap in theological literature.

**Free Church Youth Conference:** Give thanks for the annual youth conference taking place on the 14th-16th of March. Please pray this will be a time of fellowship, discipleship and growing in likeness of Christ for all who attend. Please pray for the Committee as they finalise plans, and pray that the Lord would provide the finances and bookings needed to make the weekend viable. Please pray that as our young people gather, the Lord would be glorified and exalted in their lives.

**Asian Outreach:** Pray for opportunities to discuss the message of Christ further with T and C. Please pray for the third edition of Holy Injil, Luke, that this translation would continue to be used and read widely. About 4930 copies have gone out so far over the 3 editions.