

Church of Scotland

NESS BANK

Sunday 5 October 2025
at 11.00 am



Minister - Rev Stuart Smith

Organist - Mr Ian Livingstone

ORDER OF SERVICE

Prelude

Welcome and intimations

Rev Stuart Smith

Opening Prayer (*Psalm 67: 1-5*)

Call to Worship (*Psalm 67: 6-7*)

(*Congregation standing*)

*The land produced its harvest;
God, our God, has blessed us.*

**ALL: GOD HAS BLESSED US;
 MAY ALL PEOPLE EVERYWHERE HONOUR HIM**

Hymn 233 ‘Come, you thankful people, come’

Pass the Smile

Hymn 143 ‘Who put the colours in the rainbow?’
(*Children leave for Sunday School*)

Reading

John 15: vs 1-17 (NT p138)

Willie Proudfoot

Prune the Vine

Hymn 51 ‘God of hosts, you chose a vine’

Pray with Love

Anthem

‘Thou visitest the earth’

M. Greene

Prayer for Others

Hymn 229 ‘We plough the fields and scatter’

Benediction & Choral Amen

Postlude

SUNDAY WORSHIP

12 October 2025 at 11.00am

The service will be conducted by Rev Stuart Smith.

Tea and coffee will be served in the hall after the service

INTIMATIONS FOR TODAY

Welcome We welcome everyone to our service this morning. A special welcome is extended to any visitors who may be worshipping with us. If you have moved to Inverness, we would be very pleased to have you worship with us regularly. Please make yourself known to one of the stewards on duty as you leave, or complete one of the cards situated at the end of the pews.

The Bible Please stand when the Church Officer brings the Bible into the sanctuary for the start of our worship together. Thank you.

Internet Access Please can you ensure that all mobile phones and other devices such as iPads are switched off completely before the service to avoid interference with the sound system. Thank you for your co-operation.

Livestreaming Services are routinely recorded on video and livestreamed. The front five pews in the main block could be in shot (normally the backs of heads only). Also anyone crossing the church in front of the communion table could be in view. If you wish to avoid being recorded, please speak to one of our welcome teams who will be happy to help you choose a seat out of camera shot.

Tea and Coffee Everyone is invited for tea and coffee in the hall after the service.

Ness Bank Newsletter Articles for inclusion in the next Newsletter should be forwarded to the editor – nessbmagazine@gmail.com - as soon as possible and no later than **Monday 20 October**. Thank you in advance for your contributions!

Highland Foodbank The items requested over the Harvest Thanksgiving period are:

Tins of potatoes

Tins of ham

Tins of carrots

UHT Milk

Cornflakes/Weetabix

Shower gel

Small packets of biscuits

Bags for life, new or used

NESS BANK MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES

The Guild The next meeting will be held on **Tuesday 7 October** at 7.30pm in the hall when Anne Fraser, Genealogist, will speak about Ambrose Salvona, the Italian Lion Tamer. All welcome.

The Leprosy Mission's Inverness Area Fundraising Group are holding an Afternoon Tea on **Saturday 18 October** from 2.00-4.00pm in the Crown Church (garden entrance, free parking at Crown School car park). There will be a bring & buy stall and a stall with Leprosy Mission products. Please come and support the work to restore the Danja hospital building in Niger. Tickets can be obtained from Guild members.

Forthcoming activities:

- Sunday 19 October: Messy Church planning meeting after the service
- Sunday 2 November: Messy Church, 12.30-2.30pm
- Sunday 9 November – Remembrance Service, 10.55am (note earlier start time)
- Sunday 23 November – Service of Remembering, 3.00pm

GENERAL NOTICES

Carried – Baby Loss Service A gentle Christian service for those who have experienced baby loss, whether in pregnancy or infancy, and for those grieving a baby they never had. To take place at the Barn Church at 7.00pm on **Friday 10 October**.

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