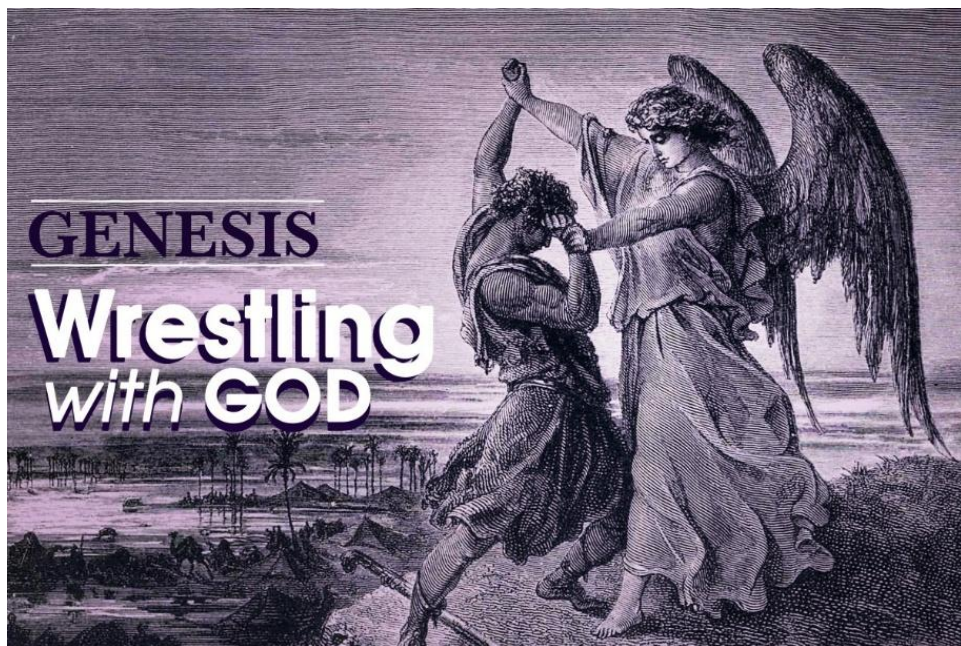


Church of Scotland

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Sunday 27 July 2025
at 11.00 am



Minister - Rev Stuart Smith
Organist - Mr Ian Livingstone

ORDER OF SERVICE

Prelude

Welcome and intimations

Malcolm MacBean

Call to Worship

(Congregation standing)

Hymn 76 *'How can I ever thank the Lord'*

Prayers, including Dedication of Offering and the Lord's Prayer

All-Age Talk *'Seconds out, Round 1'*

Hymn 606 *'Lord, you sometimes speak in wonders'*

(Children leave for Sunday School)

Reading Genesis 32: vs 22-32 (OTp35)) Gillian Forrest

Hymn 600 *'Spirit of God, unseen as the wind'*

Sermon *'Wrestling with God'*

Anthem *'Lo! My shepherd is divine'* Lloyd Webber

Prayers for Ourselves and Others

Hymn 517 *'Fight the good fight'*

Benediction & Choral Amen

Postlude

SUNDAY WORSHIP

3 August 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.

Today's Worship We warmly welcome Len Cazaly who is leading today's worship.

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

The Bible Study and Prayer Group will meet in Room 2 at 5pm **tonight**. The subject in our studies of the Disciples will be Judas Iscariot as found in Matthew Ch's 26 and 27. New enquirers will be made most welcome.

Christmas Hall Decorations A meeting will be held on **Wednesday 30 July** at 7.30pm in the hall for those previously involved in creating and painting the Christmas hall decorations, and anyone else who is interested in being involved. If interested but unable to attend, please speak to David Ewan or contact him on 07816 182020.

Open Sanctuary during August 2025 It is proposed to have the Sanctuary open again, as in previous years, during the month of August on a Monday to Friday basis each week from 11.00am to 3.00pm.

A schedule of dates and times is now in the vestibule so please, if you can participate, add your name and telephone number on the sheet against whatever time suits you. Only two volunteers are required for each session daily and suitable instructions etc will be issued.

Shoeboxes Many thanks to the many willing volunteers who came along to help wrap boxes. We wrapped over 100 boxes! We will need some more wrapped ready for the congregation to start filling them. So, keep an eye out for another 'wrapping session' after the schools go back. We **do not** need any more empty boxes for this year's appeal.

Highland Foodbank The items requested for July & August are:

Tins of potatoes

Tins of fruit

Deodorant/toothpaste

Tins of mince/ravioli

Tins of corned beef

Bags for life, new or used

Tins of ham

Jars of pasta sauce

GENERAL NOTICES.

Let the Organ Thunder! Free weekly organ concerts will take place in **Inverness Cathedral** from **1.15 - 2.00pm every Friday** until **29 August**.

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If you would like more information about Ness Bank Church, would like to join our fellowship, or would like to be contacted, please speak to a steward as you leave.

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