

Scapegoat Hill Baptist Church Sunday 27th July 2025

Our Vision

As a family of believers, we aim to bring the message of Jesus to our community and beyond in a relevant, meaningful and friendly way, building bridges of faith and hope on the journey of life.

Todays Service is led by

Rev John Bell

Todays Bible Reading is

Isaiah 58: 6-12



If you are a visitor and wish to find out more about our church please just ask the person next to you and they will point you in the right

Please feel free to stay seated during the service if you prefer

direction

You are welcome to join us for refreshments which are served downstairs at the end of the service



Prayer Corner

The prayer corner is at the front righthand side of church

If you need prayer for any reason please make your way there after the service



Experience - what you get when you don't get what you wanted!

Holidays, once a year, three weeks on Fidden Farm Campsite, right on the shore, opposite Iona. Set in a beautiful bay with white sands and turquoise waters. Sheep and lambs wandering around the tents, pygmy goats and kids, greylag geese. What could be better? Well – in a word – weather!

When we got to the site, the forecast was unfailingly accurate – it was teeming down. Putting up the big tent in the rain was great fun! We were absolutely dripping. Out of the twenty days, we had two half sunny 16c and one full sunny day 17c. Our temperatures, apart from those just mentioned were between 12c – 15c, so it was a little bit galling to hear about just how sweltering it was here at home. We had lots of rain, very strong winds but the tent performed well. On the days when the winds were not as strong we went out about five times, but it was very limited as the swell was coming in from the Atlantic. Then some silly person tripped over a tent peg and cracked a couple of ribs.

The last two years up on the Isle of Mull had also been badly affected by the weather, so it's understandable to ask 'Why do you keep going there?' Because when the sun comes out it is such a blessed and beautiful place. In reality, one can't expect God to alter the weather patterns over the UK just for our holidays. But there was a day, oh what a day, when God blessed us beyond anything we could have imagined. It was the one full sunny day. We set off for Staffa, and as we were passing lona a dolphin surfaced by my side – lovely. I have never been out to Staffa when the sea has been so flat. I looked over to my right, and there, just under the surface was something big, black, with a large white clear demarcation ... any guesses? It was a killer whale. We then went over to the Treshnish Islands. There were minke whales around – and then it happened. We were joined by two different pods of dolphins and they played with us for more than 20 minutes.

What's the point of sharing this? Because it taught me that even if you do not get what you want, if things don't go as planned, if it would be easy to sulk and be mad and feel sorry for yourself – that can cause us to miss something so precious that God had in store for us. I wouldn't swap that particular day for three weeks of sun,sun,sun. We can't control life. If we try to, we will get very frustrated. The place of peace is in knowing that our lives are in God's hands, and His plans for us are for our good, even when we can't see it. Let's encourage one another, especially when we go through difficult times to hold fast to our faith, reminding one another that our loving Heavenly Father is still Lord of All. Liz

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Located in the Deacons Room
—front right of church



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