

# St Peter's Scottish Episcopal Church, Kirkcaldy

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Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2024, Ascension

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On behalf of the Vestry and congregation we welcome you to St Peter's Episcopal Church to our service today.

*Christine Fraser, Rector.*

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*Introit Hymn:* 134 The head that once was crowned with thorn

*Collect:* Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord. Keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace, and bring the whole of creation to worship at his feet, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.  
**Amen**

*Readings:* *The Old Testament Reading and the New Testament Reading are read by a member of the Readers Group*

*First reading:* (Page 148) Acts 1.1-11

1. Clap your hands for joy, all peoples!  
Praise God with loud songs!
2. **The Lord, the Most High, is to be feared;  
he is a great king, ruling over all the world.**
3. He gave us victory over the peoples;  
he made us rule over the nations.
4. **He chose for us the land where we live,  
the proud possession of his people, whom he loves.**
5. God goes up to his throne.  
There are shouts of joy and the blast of trumpets,  
as the Lord goes up.
6. **Sing praise to God;  
sing praise to our king!**
7. God is king over all the world;  
praise him with songs!
8. **God sits on his sacred throne;  
he rules over the nations.**
9. The rulers of the nations assemble  
with the people of the God of Abraham.  
More powerful than all armies is he;  
he rules supreme.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning is now and shall be forever. Amen.**

*Second reading:* (Page 240) Ephesians 1.15-23

*Gradual hymn:* 332 All hail the power of Jesu's name

*Gospel acclamation:* **Alleluia! Alleluia! Go, make disciples of all the nations;  
I am with you always; yes, to the end of time. Alleluia!**

*Gospel:* (Page 115) Luke 24.44-53

*Sermon:* The Revd Canon Christine Fraser

*Intercessions:* *Composed and prayed on behalf of the congregation by a*

*member of the Intercessors Group*

*Peace:* A sign of the peace is exchanged with our immediate neighbours

*Offertory hymn:* 271 Alleluia sing to Jesus

**Administration of Communion: Communion will be offered in two kinds. In order to assist the chalice administrators please GUIDE the chalice by the bottom(not take the vessel from them) to receive wine.**

*Communion hymn:* 295 Let all mortal flesh keep silence

*Prayer after Communion:* **Eternal Giver of love and power, your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world to preach the gospel of his kingdom. Confirm us in this mission, and help us to live the good news we proclaim; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

*Blessing:* Christ our king make you faithful and strong to do his will, that you may reign with him in glory; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

*Recessional Hymn:* 336 Angel voices ever singing

*Notices:*

*All baptised Christians are warmly invited to share in Holy Communion. Gluten free wafers are available; please advise a sidesperson if you require this.*

*An Induction Loop is installed in church. Hearing aid users should adjust their aid to the T position. Large-print copies of the liturgy are available on request*

***Worship:***

Sun 12<sup>th</sup> May 9.15am Eucharist (SPB)  
10:30 a.m. Sung Eucharist(1982 liturgy)

**Wi-Fi:** Wi-Fi is installed in the building. Passwords and access codes are available. Please ensure though that any mobile devices are switched off or on silent mode during services and meetings. Many thanks.

**Zumba:** The group will continue on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May at 10.30am. All welcome.

**Craft Group:** The group will continue on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May at 2pm. All welcome.

**Study Group:** The group will meet on the third Wednesday of the month from 11am. The next meeting is on 15th May when the group will have a look at Matthew Ch1 V18 to Ch2 V15.

**Fellowship Group:** The next meeting will take place on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2024 at 2pm. All welcome.

**Vestry:** The next Vestry meeting will take place on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2024 at 7.30pm in the lower meeting room.

**Christian Aid Week:** 12<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> May. There will be a hunger lunch after the 10.30am service on 12<sup>th</sup> May in aid of Christian Aid. Donations from the lunch will be for Christian Aid.

**West Fife Area Council:** Thursday 16th May 2024 at St Paul's Kinross at 7.30pm – Speaker James Gardner and representatives from the Diocesan/Provincial Youth Network on their Pilgrimage to Iona.

**Magazine:** Deadline for articles **Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> May**. Richard and Jeeta would be pleased to receive any articles for the next edition of the magazine due out for St Peter's Patronal Festival on 30<sup>th</sup> June. Please send to [Richard.16@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:Richard.16@hotmail.co.uk). If you need something typed, please give to the Rector.

**Sea Sunday:** On Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June at the 10.30am service. Jeremy Hawkings Chairman to Mission to Seafarers Scotland will speak on the work of Mission to Seafarers. There will be an opportunity to hand over the hats which have been knitted, over 200 and a retiring collection taken for its work.

**Foodbank:** Kirkcaldy Foodbank are always delighted to receive donations of dry goods and toiletries. Please place in the basket in the vestibule. They are also desperate for carrier bags, if you have some that you can spare, please also fold flat and place in the basket. Many thanks.

**Flowers** If you would like to donate towards the cost of flowers, perhaps in memory of a loved one or a special anniversary, please speak to Janie Legge. There is no requirement to arrange the flowers, although Janie is always happy to advise anyone who would like to.

**Prayer Group** If you, or someone you know would like prayers said then please complete a slip and place in the woven box. Your request will be responded to.

**Health and Safety:** The Risk Assessment Register, Accident Book and First Aid Kit are situated in the Kitchen.

**Hospital Visits.** The local hospitals no longer allow access to their in-patient lists. If you, a relative or friend are admitted to hospital, please contact the Rector on 01592 204208 or [cnfraser@btinternet.com](mailto:cnfraser@btinternet.com) and visits will be arranged.

*Please pray for:*

All those in our own congregation, their families or friends who are ill, housebound or whose year's mind falls this week. Archbishop Stephen and the Karen people in Burma, Thailand and Sheffield