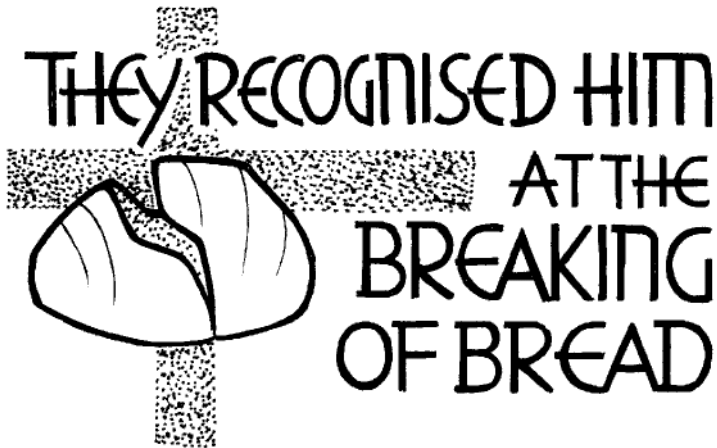


St Peter's Scottish Episcopal Church, Kirkcaldy



Sunday 14th April 20245, Easter 3

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: 375 I danced in the morning

Collect: O God, your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread. Open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in his redeeming work, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Collect(SPB) Almighty God, who hast given thine only son to be unto us both a sacrifice for sin and also an ensample of godly life; give us grace that we may always most thankfully receive that his inestimable benefit, and also daily endeavour

ourselves to follow the blessed steps of his most holy life; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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

First reading: *(Page 151)) Acts 3.12-19*
(SPB 1 St St Peter 2. 11)

Responsorial Psalm: 4

1. Answer me when I pray,
O God, my defender!
When I was in trouble, you helped me.
Be kind to me now and hear my prayer.
2. **How long will you people insult me?**
How long will you love what is worthless
and go after what is false?
3. Remember that the Lord has chosen the righteous for his own,
and he hears me when I call to him.
4. **Tremble with fear and stop sinning;**
think deeply about this,
when you lie in silence on your beds.
5. Offer the right sacrifices to the Lord,
and put your trust in him.
6. **There are many who pray:**
“Give us more blessings, O Lord.
Look on us with kindness!”
7. But the joy that you have given me
is more than they will ever have
with all their grain and wine.
8. **When I lie down, I go to sleep in peace;**
you alone, O Lord, keep me perfectly safe.

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 304) 1 John 3.1-7*

Gradual hymn: 486 We have a gospel to proclaim

Gospel acclamation: **Alleluia! Alleluia! Lord Jesus, explain the scriptures to us. Make our hearts burn within us as you talk to us."Alleluia!**

Gospel: (*Page 114*) Luke 24.36-48
(SPB St John 16.16)

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: 124 Ye choirs of new Jerusalem

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: 459 The Lord's my shepherd

Prayer after Communion: **Author of life divine, in the breaking of bread we know the risen Lord. Feed us always in these mysteries, that we may show your glory to all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Blessing: The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the eternal covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; 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: 332 All hail the power of Jesu's name

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:

Wed 17 th April	10.00am	Eucharist
Sun 21 st April	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 resume on Friday 19th April at 10.30am. All welcome.

Craft Group: The group will resume on Monday 22nd April at 2pm. All welcome.

Study Group: Following on from the Advent and Lent Groups, it has been suggested that a monthly Study Group be formed. The first meeting is at 11am on Wednesday 17th April in the small meeting room, after the 10am midweek service. At the meeting, a regular monthly date will be set and the format of the Study Group be discussed. This is open to anyone in the congregation, all welcome.

Fellowship Group: The next meeting will take place on Thursday 25th April at 2pm. All welcome.

Vestry: The next Vestry meeting will take place on Tuesday 7th May 2024 at 7.30pm in the lower meeting room.

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: Whilst traditionally there are no flowers in church during Lent, the beauty of flowers enhance our worship. 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. The church will be decorated for Easter on Sat 30th March at 10.00am.

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 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