

# *St Peter's Scottish Episcopal Church, Kirkcaldy*



*Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2022, Easter 4*

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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.*

*Stuart Gray, Assistant Priest*

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*Introit Hymn:*

**A crown of thorns placed on His head  
He knew that He would soon be dead  
He said, "Did you forget me, Father did you?"  
They nailed Him to a wooden cross  
Soon all the world would feel the loss  
Of Christ the King before His Hallelujah  
Hallelujah, Hallelujah  
Hallelujah, Hallelujah**

**He hung His head and prepared to die  
Then lifted His face up to the sky  
Said, "I am coming home now Father, to you"  
A reed which held His final sip  
Was gently lifted to his lips  
He drank His last and gave His soul to glory  
Hallelujah, Hallelujah  
Hallelujah, Hallelujah**

The soldier who had used his sword  
To pierce the body of our Lord  
Said, "Truly, this was Jesus Christ our Savior"  
He looked with fear upon his sword  
Then turned to face his Christ and Lord  
Fell to his knees crying Hallelujah  
Hallelujah, Hallelujah  
Hallelujah, Hallelujah

Took from his head the thorny crown  
And wrapped him in a linen gown  
Then laid him down to rest inside the tomb  
The holes in his hands, his feet and side  
Now in our hearts we know he died  
To save us from ourselves, oh Hallelujah  
Hallelujah, Hallelujah  
Hallelujah, Hallelujah

Three days went by, again they came  
To move the stone, to bless the slain  
With oil and spice anointing Hallelujah  
But as they went to move the stone  
They saw that they were not alone  
For Jesus Christ has risen, Hallelujah  
Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah  
Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah

**Songwriters: Leonard Cohen. Kelley Mooney**

*Collect:* O God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, that great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, make us perfect in every good work to do your will, and work in us that which is well-pleasing in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

*Collect (SPB)* Almighty God who shewest to them that be in error the light of thy truth, to the intent that they may return into the way of righteousness; Grant unto all them that are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may eschew those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

- Readings:*                    *The Old Testament Reading and the New Testament Reading are read by a member of the Readers Group*
- First reading:*                    (Page 160) Acts 9. 36-43  
(SPB 1 St Peter 2.11)
- Psalm:*                                459        The Lord's my shepherd
- Second reading:*                    (Page 317) Revelation 7.9-17
- Gradual hymn:*                    SP52        Seek ye first the kingdom of God
- Gospel acclamation:*                    **Alleluia! Alleluia! I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my own sheep and my own know me. Alleluia!**
- Gospel:*                                (Page 131) John 10.22-30  
(SPB St John 16.16)
- Sermon:*                                The Revd Stuart Gray
- Intercessions:*                    *Composed and prayed on behalf of the congregation by a member of the Intercessors Group*
- Peace:*                                *A sign of the peace is exchanged.*
- Offertory hymn:*                    285        For the beauty of the earth (John Rutter version)
- Communion hymn:*                    Gabriel's Oboe (Instrumental)
- Prayer after Communion:*                    **God of steadfast love, watch over the Church redeemed by the blood of your Son. May we who share in these holy mysteries come safely to your eternal kingdom, where there is one flock and one shepherd. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen 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:*                    SP66        Will you come and follow me?

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*

Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> May	10.00am Eucharist
Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup> May	9.15am Eucharist (SPB)
	10.30am 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.

**Offertory:** Please place your offering in the plate at the back of the church.

**Zumba:** Zumba continues on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2022 at 10.30am in the hall. All welcome

**Craft Group:** The group continues Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2022 at 10am. Cost £2 per session.

**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.

**PA System:** The PA system is all set up for reading and interceding. **Readers and Intercessors** don't need to switch the microphone on or off. **Welcomers** will ensure the system and both microphones are switched off at the end of the service. If you are unable to do your allocated Sunday, please arrange with someone else on the rota and mark the change on the master copy in the hall.

**Flowers in Church:** Flowers enhance the beauty of our worship week by week. If you would like to donate flowers in memory of a loved one or to mark a special occasion, please speak to Janie Legge who can advise and who would help arrange them with you if you wish.

**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  
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