

St Peter's Scottish Episcopal Church, Kirkcaldy



Sunday 15th May 2022, Easter 5

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

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Introit Hymn: 437 Praise the Lord ye heavens adore him

Collect: Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life. Give us grace to love one another and walk in the way of his commandments, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Collect(SPB) O Almighty God, who alone canst order the unruly wills and affections of sinful men: Grant unto thy people, that they may love the thing which thou commandest, and desire that which thou dost promise; that so, among the sundry and manifold changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed, where true joys are to be found; through 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 162) Acts 11.11-18
(SPB St James 1.17)

1. Praise the Lord from heaven, you that live in the heights above.
2. **Praise him, all his angels, all his heavenly armies.**
3. Praise him, sun and moon; praise him, shining stars.
4. **Praise him, highest heavens, and the waters above the sky.**
5. Let them all praise the name of the Lord! He commanded, and they were created;
6. **by his command they were fixed in their places forever, and they cannot disobey.**
7. Praise the Lord from the earth, sea monsters and all ocean depths;
8. **lightning and hail, snow and clouds, strong winds that obey his command.**
9. Praise him, hills and mountains, fruit trees and forests;
10. **all animals, tame and wild, reptiles and birds.**
11. Praise him, kings and all peoples, princes and all other rulers;
12. **young women and young men, old people and children too.**
13. Let them all praise the name of the Lord!
His name is greater than all others; his glory is above earth and heaven.
14. **He made his nation strong, so that all his people praise him—
the people of Israel, so dear to him.**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen

Second reading: (Page 328) Revelation 21.1-6

Gradual hymn: 416 O God of Bethel

Gospel acclamation: **Alleluia! Alleluia! esus said: 'I give you a new ommandment: love one another, just as I have loved you.' Alleluia!**

Gospel: (Page 136) John 13.31-35
(SPB St John 16.5)

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.*

Offertory hymn: 490 Judge eternal enthroned in splendour

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: 285 For the beauty of the earth

Prayer after Communion: **God of love, in this eucharist we have heard your truth and shared in your life. May we always walk in your way, in the name of Jesus Christ the 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: 478 Ye watchers and ye holy ones

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 18th May 10.00am Eucharist

Sunday 22nd 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.

Church Mobile: St Peter's now has a dedicated mobile number in the event that the Rector cannot be reached on the landline. The new number is **07572 142697**.

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

Zumba: Zumba continues on Friday 20th May 2022 at 10.30am in the hall. All welcome

Craft Group: Craft Group continues Monday 16th 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.

West Fife Area Council: The next meeting will take place in St Luke's Glenrothes at 7.30pm on Thursday 19th May. The speaker is Ian Campbell NHS Hospital Chaplain. All welcome. There is an opportunity to join by zoom if you are still concerned about face to face contact. Please email the Rector to be sent the Zoom link.

Ascension: There will be a service on Thursday 26th May 2022 at 2pm in St Peter's to celebrate Ascension.

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 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