

St Peter's Scottish Episcopal Church, Kirkcaldy



Sunday 5th May 2024, Easter 6

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: 338 At the name of Jesus

Collect: Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you riches beyond imagination. Pour into our hearts such love towards you that we, loving you above all things, may obtain your promises which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Collect(SPB) O Lord, from whom all good things do come, Grant to us thy humble servants, that by thy holy inspiration we may think those things that be good, and by thy merciful guiding may perform the same; though 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 10.44-48
(SPB 1 St James 1.)

Responsorial Psalm: 98

1. Sing to the Lord a new song,
for he has done marvelous things;
his right hand and his holy arm
have worked salvation for him.
2. **The Lord has made his salvation known
and revealed his righteousness to the nations.**
3. He has remembered his love
and his faithfulness to Israel;
all the ends of the earth have seen
the salvation of our God.
4. **Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth,
burst into jubilant song with music;**
5. make music to the Lord with the harp,
with the harp and the sound of singing,
6. **with trumpets and the blast of the ram's horn—
shout for joy before the Lord, the King.**
7. Let the sea resound, and everything in it,
the world, and all who live in it.
8. **Let the rivers clap their hands,
let the mountains sing together for joy;**
9. let them sing before the Lord,
for he comes to judge the earth.
He will judge the world in righteousness
and the peoples with equity.

**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 306) 1 John 5.1-6

Gradual hymn: 352 Crown him with many crowns

Gospel acclamation: **Alleluia! Alleluia! Make your home in me, as I make mine in you.
Whoever remains in me bears fruit in plenty. Alleluia!**

Gospel: (Page 138) John 15.9-17
(SPB St John 16.23)

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: 357 Father hear the prayer we offer

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: SP56 Spirit of God

Prayer after Communion: **Father, you restored us to life by raising your Son from death. May we who receive this sacrament always be strengthened to do your will, 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: 355 Eternal ruler of the ceaseless round

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 8 th May	10.00am	Eucharist
Thu 9 th May	2.00pm	Sung Eucharist - Ascension
Sun 12 th 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 10th May at 10.30am. All welcome.

Craft Group: The group will continue on Monday 6th 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 23rd May 2024 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.

Ascension: There will be a service to mark Ascension on Thursday 9th May at 2pm. All welcome.

Christian Aid Week: 12th – 17th May. There will be a hunger lunch on Sunday 12th 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 26th 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 30th June. Please send to Richard.16@hotmail.co.uk. If you need something typed, please give to the Rector.

Sea Sunday: On Sunday 9th 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: If you would like the Rector to visit, please contact her on 01592 204208.