

St Peter's Scottish Episcopal Church, Kirkcaldy



Sunday 16th March 2025, Lent 2

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

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The words in **Bold Type** are said or sung by everyone.

There is no offertory collection during the service; if you wish to give an offering, please place in the plate at the right-hand side of the door as you enter the church. Many thanks.

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Introit Hymn: 353 Dear Lord and father of mankind

Collect: God of patience and humility, in your love you gave your Son to be rejected and raised up on a cross. Gather us under its shadow and open our eyes to its mystery, that we may share even now in the life that is from above; 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 seest that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves: keep us both outwardly in our bodies, and

inwardly in our souls; that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; 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 15) Genesis 15 1-12,17-18
 (SPB 1 Thessalonians 4.1)

Psalms: 27

1. The Lord is my light and my salvation; I will fear no one.
The Lord protects me from all danger; I will never be afraid.
2. **When evil people attack me and try to kill me, they stumble and fall.**
3. Even if a whole army surrounds me, I will not be afraid;
even if enemies attack me, I will still trust God.
4. **I have asked the Lord for one thing; one thing only do I want:
to live in the Lord's house all my life, to marvel there at his goodness,
and to ask for his guidance.**
5. In times of trouble he will shelter me; he will keep me safe in his Temple
and make me secure on a high rock.
6. **So I will triumph over my enemies around me.
With shouts of joy I will offer sacrifices in his Temple; I will sing, I will praise the
Lord.**
7. Hear me, Lord, when I call to you! Be merciful and answer me!
When you said, "Come worship me," I answered, "I will come, Lord."
8. **Don't hide yourself from me! Don't be angry with me; don't turn your servant
away.
You have been my help; don't leave me, don't abandon me, O God, my saviour.**
9. My father and mother may abandon me,
but the Lord will take care of me.
10. **Teach me, Lord, what you want me to do, and lead me along a safe path,
because I have many enemies.**

11. Don't abandon me to my enemies, who attack me with lies and threats.

12. I know that I will live to see the Lord's goodness in this present life.

13. Trust in the Lord. Have faith, do not despair. Trust in the Lord.

Glory 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 249) Philippians 3.17-4.1

Gradual hymn: 337 As pants the hart for cooling streams

Gospel acclamation: **Alleluia! Alleluia! The Lord is my light and my help. Alleluia!**

Gospel: (Page 98) Luke 13.31-35
(SPB St Matthew 15.21)

Sermon: The Revd Bob Barrett

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: 239 Lord of all hopefulness

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: Supplement My every prayer

Prayer after Communion: **Creator of heaven and earth, we thank you for these holy mysteries, which bring us now a share in the life to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

Blessing: Christ give you grace to grow in holiness, to deny yourselves, take up your cross, and follow him; 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: 368 Guide me O thou great redeemer

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 19th Mar 10.00am Eucharist
Sunday 23rd Mar 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.

Zumba: Zumba continues on Friday 21st March 2025 at 10.30am in the hall.

Craft Group: The group will continue on Monday 17th March 2025 at 1.30pm. Cost £2 per session, includes refreshments. All welcome.

Fellowship Group: The fellowship group will meet on Thursday 27th March 2025 at 2pm in the hall

Study Group: The Lent Course continues on Wednesday 19th March after the 10am service, starting at 11am. Refreshments available before the session. All welcome.

Vestry: The next Vestry meeting will take place on Tuesday 1st April 2025 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 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 bookstall in the hall raises much needed funds for the Flower Fund; please support it if you can. 2 books for £1.

Magazine: Jeeta and Richard Ouston will be delighted to receive any contributions for the magazine which will be due at Easter. Please email contributions to him at Richard.16@hotmail.co.uk or send to 1 Burts Wynd East Weymss KY1 4RF **Last Chance.**

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 Fabric Repairs Log, Risk Assessment Register, Accident Book and First Aid Kit are situated in the Kitchen.