

# St Peter's Scottish Episcopal Church, Kirkcaldy

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*Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2021, Pentecost 15 (SPB Trinity 14)*

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*Introit Hymn:* 343 Bright the vision

*Collect:* Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people, that richly bearing the fruit of good works, we may by you be richly rewarded; 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)* Almighty and everlasting God, give unto us the increase of faith hope and charity; and, that we may obtain that which thou dost promise, make us to love that which thou dost command; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. **Amen.**

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

*First reading:* (Page 697) Isaiah 35. 4-7  
(SPB Galatians 5.16)

*Psalm:* 146

1. Praise the Lord.  
Praise the Lord, my soul.
2. **I will praise the Lord all my life;**  
**I will sing praise to my God as long as I live.**
3. Do not put your trust in princes,

in human beings, who cannot save.

4. **When their spirit departs, they return to the ground;  
on that very day their plans come to nothing.**
5. Blessed are those whose help is the God of Jacob,  
whose hope is in the Lord their God.
6. **He is the Maker of heaven and earth,  
the sea, and everything in them—  
he remains faithful forever.**
7. He upholds the cause of the oppressed  
and gives food to the hungry.  
The Lord sets prisoners free,
8. **the Lord gives sight to the blind,  
the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down,  
the Lord loves the righteous.**
9. The Lord watches over the foreigner  
and sustains the fatherless and the widow,  
but he frustrates the ways of the wicked.
10. **The Lord reigns forever,  
your God, O Zion, for all generations.  
Praise 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 for ever Amen.**

*Second reading:* (Page 290) James 2. 1-17

*Gradual hymn:* 467 For all the changing scenes of life

*Gospel acclamation:* **Alleluia! Alleluia! Speak, Lord, your servant is listening: you  
have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!**

*Gospel:* (Page 55) Mark 7. 24-37  
(SPB St Luke 17.11)

*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:* 466 Thou whose almighty word

*Communion hymn:* 273 And now O Father of the love

*Prayer after Communion:* **Father, your word and sacrament give us food and life. May we who have shared in holy things bear fruit to your honour and glory, in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen**

*Blessing:* The peace of God which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God; 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:* 436 Praise my soul the king of heaven

*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 8<sup>th</sup> Sept 10.00am Eucharist

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> Sept 9.15am Eucharist (SPB Trinity 15)

10.30am Sung Eucharist (1982 Liturgy Pentecost 16)

**Wednesday Services:** Midweek services continue on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> September at 10am.

**Vestry:** The next Vestry meeting will take place on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30pm via Zoom.

**West Fife Area Council:** The Area Council is planning a Mini-Gathering in St Peter's Kirkcaldy on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> October from 11am to 3pm. Further details and booking forms will be available shortly.

**Harvest Thanksgiving:** St Peter's Harvest Thanksgiving will be held on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> September at both services. Donations of dry goods and tins would be most welcome and will be donated to Kirkcaldy Foodbank. Alternatively donations may be taken directly to the distribution centre. Kirkcaldy Foodbank, Viewforth Church Hall, Viewforth Terrace, Kirkcaldy KY1 3BW. Opening times are: - Monday 13:00-15:00 Tuesday 10:00-

12:00 Thursday 18:00-20:00

**Teas and Coffees:** Regrettably we are unable to offer refreshments after the service as the kitchen is closed until further notice. Thank you for your patience and cooperation.

**Offertory:** Please place your offering in the plate at the back of the church. The plates will not be circulated during the service until further notice. Thank you for your patience and cooperation.

**Zumba:** Zumba is postponed until further notice

**Craft Group:** Craft Group continues on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> September from 10.00am – 12.00 noon in the hall. The following guidelines are in place. It is suggested that those attending have a lateral flow test (free from the chemist) twice per week. Hand sanitising before entry to hall, Masks to be worn except while drinking and eating, 1 metre distancing, therefore only two per table, and Track & Trace will be in operation. Please bring your own cup. The first craft will be Iris Folding followed by Pebble Painting the following week.

**Prayer Group** Prayer Group is postponed until further notice. However 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.

**The Rector:** For information, the Rector's rest day is a Friday and she will generally be away from Kirkcaldy. For URGENT pastoral issues, please leave a message on the Rectory phone and it will be attended to as soon as possible.

**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.

**Notices:** Please send notices for publication in the weekly sheet by 5pm on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> September. Many thanks.

*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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