

St Peter's Scottish Episcopal Church, Kirkcaldy



Sunday 12th September 2021, Pentecost 16 (SPB Trinity 15)

Introit Hymn: SP60 To God be the glory

Collect: Almighty God, you call your Church to witness that in Christ we are reconciled to you. Help us so to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may turn to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen**

Collect(SPB) Keep, we beseech thee, O Lord, thy church with thy perpetual mercy; and, because the frailty of man without thee cannot but fall, keep us for ever by thy help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **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 714) Isaiah 50. 4-9
(SPB Galatians 6.11)

Psalm: 116.1-8

1. I love the Lord, for he heard my voice;
he heard my cry for mercy.

2. **Because he turned his ear to me,
I will call on him as long as I live.**

3. The cords of death entangled me,
the anguish of the grave came over me;
I was overcome by distress and sorrow.

4. **Then I called on the name of the Lord:
"Lord, save me!"**

5. The Lord is gracious and righteous;
our God is full of compassion.

6. **The Lord protects the unwary;
when I was brought low, he saved me.**

7. Return to your rest, my soul,
for the Lord has been good to you.

8. **For you, Lord, have delivered me from death,
my eyes from tears,
my feet from stumbling,**

**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 291) James 3. 1-12

Gradual hymn: SP33 I the Lord of sea and sky

Gospel acclamation: **Alleluia! Alleluia! I am the Way, the Truth and the Life, says the Lord; no one can come to the Father except through me. Alleluia!**

Gospel: (Page 57) Mark 8. 27-38
(SPB St Matthew 6.24)

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 with our immediate neighbours*

Offertory hymn: SP46 Make me a channel of your peace

Communion hymn: SP51 Peace perfect peace

Prayer after Communion: **God of peace, in this eucharist we have been reconciled to you and to our neighbours. May we who have been nourished by holy things always have the courage to forgive. We ask this 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 of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord: 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: SP50 One more step along the world I go

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 15th Sept 10.00am. Eucharist

Sunday 19th Sept 9.15am Eucharist (SPB Trinity 16)

10.30am Sung Eucharist (1982 Liturgy Pentecost 17)

West Fife Area Council: The Area Council is planning a Mini-Gathering in St Peter's Kirkcaldy on Saturday 23rd 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 26th 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 20th 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 and visits will be arranged.

Notices: Please send notices for publication in the weekly sheet by 5pm on Tuesday 14th 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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