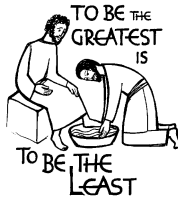


St Peter's Scottish Episcopal Church, Kirkcaldy



Sunday 19th September 2021, Pentecost 17 (SPB Trinity 16)

Introit Hymn: 476 Ye servants of God

Collect: Almighty God, you have created the heavens and the earth, and ourselves in your image. Teach us to discern your hand in all your works and to serve you with reverence and thanksgiving; 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, we beseech thee, let thy continual pity cleanse and defend thy Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without thy succour, preserve it evermore by thy help and goodness; 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 744) Jeremiah 11. 18-20
(SPB Ephesians 3.13)

Responsorial Psalm: 54

1. Save me, O God, by thy name, and judge me by thy strength.
2. **Hear my prayer, O God; give ear to the words of my mouth.**
3. For strangers are risen up against me, and oppressors seek after my soul: they have not set God before them. Selah.
4. **Behold, God is mine helper: the Lord is with them that uphold my soul.**

5. He shall reward evil unto mine enemies: cut them off in thy truth.
6. **I will freely sacrifice unto thee: I will praise thy name, O Lord; for it is good.**
7. For he hath delivered me out of all trouble: and mine eye hath seen his desire upon mine enemies.

**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.**

<i>Second reading:</i>	(Page 291) James 3. 13 -4. 3,7-8
<i>Gradual hymn:</i>	391 King of glory
<i>Gospel acclamation:</i>	Alleluia! Alleluia! I am the light of the world, says the Lord, anyone who follows me will have the light of life. Alleluia!
<i>Gospel:</i>	(Page 58) Mark 9. 30-37 (SPB St Luke 7.11)
<i>Sermon:</i>	The Revd Stuart Gray
<i>Intercessions:</i>	<i>Composed and prayed on behalf of the congregation by a member of the Intercessors Group</i>
<i>Peace:</i>	<i>A sign of the peace is exchanged with our immediate neighbours</i>
<i>Offertory hymn:</i>	420 O Jesus I have promised
<i>Communion hymn:</i>	353 Dear Lord and father of mankind
<i>Prayer after Communion:</i>	Ruler of the universe, all creation yearns for its fulfilment in your Son. May we who have shared in holy things grow into maturity in him. This we ask in the name of the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen
<i>Blessing:</i>	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.
<i>Recessional hymn:</i>	439 Praise to the holiest

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 22 nd Sept	10.00am Eucharist
Sunday 26 th Sept	9.15am Eucharist (SPB Harvest Festival)
	10.30am Sung Eucharist (1982 Liturgy Harvest Festival)

Wi-Fi: Wi-Fi is being installed in the building. Once this is working, passwords and access codes will be available. Please ensure though that any mobile devices are switched off or on silent mode during services and meetings. Many thanks.

The Late David Grisenthwaite: A memorial service will be held for David on Monday 27th September 2021 at 11.30am in St Peter's Kirkcaldy to which all are respectively invited.

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: Teas and Coffees will re-commence after the 10.30am service from 26th September. Rotas are in the process of being amended to accommodate this. If you would like to help out with serving, please contact Shirley Mann.

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 starting on 24th September at 10.30am. All welcome.

Craft Group: Craft Group continues on Monday 20th September from 10.00am – 12.00 noon in the hall. There will be no Craft Group on 27th Sept due to a service in the church.

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.

Intercessors: The Intercessors Rota is desperately short of volunteers. Please consider if this is something you would like to do; no previous experience is necessary and help will be given to anyone new to compiling prayers. Please speak to the Rector in the first instance.

Rotas: From 19th September there is no longer any requirement for Welcomers/Intercessors/Readers to sit in the front pews when on duty. Please ensure if you are on duty that you have a clear access to the eagle lectern which we will continue to use for the present. 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.

Magazine: The harvest edition of the magazine is now ready for collection/delivery in the hall. If you are able to help with distribution it would be appreciated if you could deliver copies for those in your area who are not presently attending church services.

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. The Rector is taking a Sunday off this week 19th September.

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 21st 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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