

St Peter's Scottish Episcopal Church, Kirkcaldy



Sunday 18th October 2026, Pentecost 21(Trinity 20)

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: 271 Alleluia sing to Jesus

Collect: Almighty and everliving God, increase in us your gift of faith, that forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to what is before, we may run the way of your commandments and win the crown of everlasting joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Collect(SPB) O Almighty and most merciful God, of thy bountiful goodness keep us, we beseech thee, from all things that may hurt us; that we, being ready both in body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish these things that thou wouldst have done; 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 91) Exodus 33.12-23
(SPB Ephesians 5.15)*

Responsorial Psalm 99

1. The Lord is king,
and the people tremble.
He sits on his throne above the winged creatures,
and the earth shakes.
2. **The Lord is mighty in Zion;
he is supreme over all the nations.**
3. Everyone will praise his great and majestic name.
Holy is he!
4. **Mighty king, you love what is right;
you have established justice in Israel;
you have brought righteousness and fairness.**
5. Praise the Lord our God;
worship before his throne!
Holy is he!
6. **Moses and Aaron were his priests,
and Samuel was one who prayed to him;
they called to the Lord, and he answered them.**
7. He spoke to them from the pillar of cloud;
they obeyed the laws and commands that he gave them.
8. **O Lord, our God, you answered your people;
you showed them that you are a God who forgives,
even though you punished them for their sins.**
9. Praise the Lord our God,
and worship at his sacred hill!
The Lord our God is holy.

**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 256) 1 Thessalonians 1.1-10

Gradual hymn: 391 King of Glory king of grace

Gospel acclamation: **Alleluia! Alleluia you will shine in the world like bright stars because you are offering it the word of life. Alleluia!**

Gospel: (Page 32) Matthew 22.15-22
(SPB St Matthew 22.1)

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: 408 Love divine all loves excelling

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: 341 Blest are the pure in heart

Prayer after Communion: **God of peace, you have nourished us in this sacrament with the body and blood of Christ. May we who have taken holy things keep faith in our hearts and lives, 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: 437 Praise the Lord ye heavens adore him

Notices:

All baptised Christians are warmly invited to share in Holy Communion, to receive bread alone, or to receive bread and drink from the chalice. Intinction is not permitted in this Diocese. All are welcome to receive a blessing at the altar. 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 21st October

10.00am

Eucharist

Sun 25th October

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: Zumba continues in the hall on 23rd October at 10.30am in the hall, all welcome.

Craft Group: Craft Group will continue on 19th October after the summer break. All welcome.

Gowrie House: The next service is on Wednesday 11th November at 2pm.

Prayers for Healing and Anointing: The next service will be on 1st November after the 10.30am service.

Fellowship Group: The fellowship group will meet on Thursday 29th October at 2pm All welcome.

Book Group: The next meeting of the book group will take place on Wednesday 28th October 2026 at 2pm in the hall. Please bring along some title of books that you have enjoyed, to share with the group. Flyers with details in the hall, please take one.

Study Group: The group will meet on the third Wednesday of the month from 11am. The next meeting is on 21st October 2026.

All Saints: All Saints will be commemorated on Sunday 1st November at both services.

All Souls: All Souls will be commemorated on Monday 2nd November at 2pm. If you wish the names of loved ones to be remembered at the service, please **PRINT IN BLOCK CAPITALS** their names on the sheets in the vestibule. Thank you.

Vestry: The next Vestry meeting will take place on Tuesday 2nd November at 7.00pm in the lower meeting room.

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. Please continue to support the Flower Fund by purchasing books from the bookcase in the hall. £1 for two books. Many thanks.

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.

The Rector: The Rector's rest day is a Friday and she will generally be away from the parish. Any telephone messages and emails will be responded to upon her return

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