

St Peter's Scottish Episcopal Church, Kirkcaldy



Sunday 5th November 2023, Pentecost 23 (Trinity 22)

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

Christine Fraser, Rector.

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Introit Hymn: 232 Awake my soul and with the sun

Collect: Almighty God, whose chosen servant Abraham obeyed your call, rejoicing in your promise that in him the family of the earth is blessed, give us faith like his, that in us your promises may be fulfilled; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Collect(SPB) Lord, we beseech thee to keep thy household the Church in continual godliness; that through thy protection it may be free from all adversities, and devoutly given to serve thee in good works, to the glory of thy name; 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 210) Joshua 3.7-17*
(SPB Philippians 1.3)

Responsorial Psalm 23

1. The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
2. **He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.**
3. He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.
4. **Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.**
5. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.
6. **Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.**

**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 257) 1 Thessalonians 2.9-13*

Gradual hymn: 272 All for Jesus

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

Gospel: *(Page 33) Matthew 23.1-12*
(SPB St Matthew 18.21)

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: 242 Immortal, invisible, God only wise

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: 387 Jesus good above all other

Prayer after Communion: **Heavenly Father, bring to perfection within us the communion we share in this sacrament. May the unity we know this day live in our community and family. This we pray 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: 395 Let bells peel forth

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:

Wed 8 th Nov	10.00am	Eucharist
Sun 12 th Nov	9.15am	Eucharist (SPB)
	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 on Friday 10th November at 10.30am.

Craft Group: The craft group continues on 6th November at 2pm. There will be a Christmas Sales Table after the services on 19th and 26th November.

Fellowship Group: The next meeting is on Thursday 30th November at 2pm in the lower meeting room. All welcome.

Prayers for Healing: The next service will be held after the 10.30am service today. There will also be an opportunity to come forward for anointing if desired.

Vestry: The next Vestry meeting will be held in the small meeting room on Tuesday 7th November at 7.30pm.

West Fife Area Council: The next Area Council meeting will be held on Wednesday 15th November 2023 at 7.30pm in Holy Trinity, Dunfermline. The speaker is David Moodie (CCed) from Scottish Faith Action for Refugees. All welcome.

Magazine: The next edition of the magazine will be published on 17th December. Richard Ouston would be pleased to receive articles by **Sunday 26th November**. please send to Richard Ouston at Richard.16@hotmail.co.uk.

Annual General Meeting: The Annual General Meeting of St Peter's Episcopal Church, Kirkcaldy will be held after the 10.30am service on Sunday 3rd December 2023. Nomination forms for Vestry vacancies are available from the Vestry Secretary. Completed forms must be returned to the Rector, Vestry Chairperson or Vestry Secretary before the 10.30am service on 3rd December. Nominees must be Lay Communicant Members, proposed and seconded and be willing to stand for the position.

Snowman Drive: The Social Committee are holding a Snowman Drive on Friday 24th November at 7pm. Entry £3. Tickets available from Judy Webster. BYOB and there will be a raffle. All welcome.

Carol Service: St Peter's Carol Service will be held on 17th December 2023. There will be refreshments after the service and the Annual Christmas Hamper Raffle will be held. If you would like to make a contribution to the hamper, please place in one of the baskets in the vestibule. Many thanks.

The Rector: The Rector generally takes a Friday as day off; phone calls and emails will not be responded to on that day unless in the case of an emergency

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.

Foodbank: If you are able, please put an extra tin or packet of dry goods in the basket, so the foodbank can replenish their stocks. Many thanks.

Flowers: Flowers enhance the beauty of our worship. If you would like to donate towards the cost or to arrange flowers in memory of a loved one, please contact Jane Legge.

Health and Safety: The Risk Assessment Register, Accident Book and First Aid Kit are situated in the Kitchen. Instructions for the defibrillator are in a pouch in the vestibule.

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.

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