

# *St Peter's Scottish Episcopal Church, Kirkcaldy*



*Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2023, Pentecost 25 (Trinity 24)*

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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:*      495      God is working his purpose out

*Collect:* Almighty God, you sent your Son Jesus Christ to be the light of the world. Free us from all that darkens and ensnares us, and bring us to eternal light and joy; through the power of him 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, absolve thy people from their offences; that through thy bountiful goodness we may all be delivered from the bands of those sins, which by our frailty we have committed: Grant this O heavenly Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our blessed Lord and Saviour. **Amen**

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

*First reading:* (Page 237) Judges 4.1-7  
(SPB Colossians 1.3)

*Responsorial Psalm* 123

1. Lord, I look up to you,  
up to heaven, where you rule.
2. **As a servant depends on his master,  
as a maid depends on her mistress,  
so we will keep looking to you, O Lord our God,  
until you have mercy on us.**
3. Be merciful to us, Lord, be merciful;  
we have been treated with so much contempt.
4. **We have been mocked too long by the rich  
and scorned by proud oppressors.**

**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 259) 1 Thessalonians 5.1-11

*Gradual hymn:* 300 Thy kingdom come on bended knee

*Gospel acclamation:* **Alleluia! Alleluia! Make your home in me, as I make mine in you,  
says the Lord. Whoever remains in me bears fruit in me. Alleluia!**

*Gospel:* (Page 37) Matthew 25.14-30  
(SPB St Matthew 9.18)

*Sermon:* The Revd Bob Barrett

*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:* 352 Crown him with many crowns

**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:* 271 Alleluia sing to Jesus

**Prayer after Communion: Gracious God, in this sacrament we have shared the body and blood of Christ. May we who have been nourished by holy things bear witness to his light, and share in his eternal priesthood; for he is Lord for ever and ever. 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:* 435 Onward Christian Soldiers

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 22 <sup>nd</sup> Nov	10.00am	Eucharist
Sun 26 <sup>th</sup> 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 24<sup>th</sup> November at 10.30am.

**Craft Group:** The craft group continues on 20<sup>th</sup> November at 2pm. There will be a Christmas Sales Table after the services on 19<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> November.

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

**Prayers for Healing:** The next service will be held after the 10.30am service on 10<sup>th</sup> December. There will also be an opportunity to come forward for anointing if desired.

**Magazine:** The next edition of the magazine will be published on 17<sup>th</sup> December. Richard Ouston would be pleased to receive articles by **Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> 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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 24<sup>th</sup> 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 17<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto: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