

**Comen
Come
Lord
Jesus!**

Rev. 22:20

Lighting of Advent Wreath

Congregational Response: **Shine on us, O God of justice;
Guide our path through gloom of night;
Bear within us Wisdom's glory;
Come to us, O Christ the Light.**

Introit Hymn: 3. Come thou long expected Jesus

Collect: Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility, that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Collect(SPB) Almighty God, give us grace that we may cast away the world of darkness, and put upon us the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which thy Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious Majesty to judge both the quick and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, now and ever. **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 769) Jeremiah 33.14-16 (SPB Romans 13.8)

Responsorial Psalm: 25.1-9

1. In you, Lord my God,
I put my trust.
2. **I trust in you;
do not let me be put to shame,
nor let my enemies triumph over me.**
3. No one who hopes in you
will ever be put to shame,
but shame will come on those
who are treacherous without cause.

4. **Show me your ways, Lord,
teach me your paths.**
5. Guide me in your truth and teach me,
for you are God my Savior,
and my hope is in you all day long.
6. **Remember, Lord, your great mercy and love,
for they are from of old.**
7. Do not remember the sins of my youth
and my rebellious ways;
according to your love remember me,
for you, Lord, are good.
8. **Good and upright is the Lord;
therefore he instructs sinners in his ways.**
9. He guides the humble in what is right
and teaches them his way.

**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 258) 1 Thessalonians 3.9-13
<i>Gradual hymn:</i>	6 Hark the glad sound
<i>Gospel acclamation:</i>	Alleluia! Alleluia Let us see, O Lord, your mercy and show us your saving help Alleluia!
<i>Gospel:</i>	(Page 108) Luke 21. 25-36 (SPB St Matthew 21.1)
<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>	408 Love divine all loves excelling
<i>Communion hymn:</i>	232 Awake my soul and with the sun

Prayer after Communion: **God for whom we wait, you have fed us with the bread of eternal life. Keep us ever watchful, that we may be ready to stand before the Son of man. We ask this in the name of Christ the Lord. Amen.**

Blessing: Christ the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you and scatter the darkness from before your path; 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: 9 Lo he comes with clouds descending

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 1 st Dec	10.00am Eucharist
Sunday 5 th Dec	9.15am Eucharist (Advent 2)
	10.30am Sung Eucharist (Advent 2)

Wi-Fi: Wi-Fi is installed in the building. Passwords and access codes are available and can be found on the noticeboard in the hall. Please ensure though that any mobile devices are switched off or on silent mode during services and meetings. Many thanks.

Teas and Coffees: Teas and Coffees continue after the 10.30am service today.

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 will resume on 3rd December at 10.30am. All welcome.

Craft Group: The group continues on 29th November at 10am. Cost £2 per session.

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.

Rotas: 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.

Annual General Meeting: Notice is hereby given that the Annual Generation of St Peter's Episcopal Church, Kirkcaldy will take place after the 10.30am service on Sunday 5th December 2021. George Legge, Shirley Mann, Judy Webster and Jill Harris have all served their terms as a voting member of Vestry and are eligible for re-election; Pam Wilkie was co-opted as voting member as a result of a vacancy created by the resignation of Ivy Elder and Marjorie Ward offered to fill the ongoing vacancy. Both will serve till the AGM and both are eligible for re-election. Shona Briers resigned in August 2021 in order to take up a place at Edinburgh University. There is therefore a further vacancy for her post.

Nomination forms are available from the Vestry Secretary Maria Page and should be returned to her prior to the 10.30am service on 5th Dec. Nominees must indicate their willingness to serve and be nominated and seconded by a communicant member. The commitment for Vestry members is attendance at 1 Vestry meeting per month, to assist in the conduct and business of the church, and be willing to serve as part of one of the pendant sub-committees if required.

St Peter's Christmas Postbox: After its absence last year the Christmas Card Postbox will be re-instated in the vestibule from 28th November, Advent 1. Please use this only for those who are able to collect their cards in person.

Christmas Hamper Raffle: The Hamper Raffle is being reinstated this year and will be drawn after the Carol Service on 19th Dec. Donations of goods most appreciated. Donations will be sanitised before the draw,

Magazine: The next edition of the magazine is due in time for Christmas. Richard Ouston, the newsletter editor would be pleased to receive articles for inclusion. Please email to richard.16@hotmail.co.uk or posted to 1 Burts Wynd East Wemyss KY1 4RF. Original documents will be returned upon request.

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 30th November. 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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