

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

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*Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2026, Epiphany 1*

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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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The words in **Bold Type** are said or sung by everyone.

**There is no offertory collection during the service; if you wish to give an offering, please place in the plate at the right-hand side of the door as you enter the church. Many thanks.**

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*Introit Hymn:*                      55                      Hail to the Lords anointed

*Collect:*                                      Eternal Father, who at the baptism of Jesus revealed him to be your Son, anointing him with the Holy Spirit, keep your children, born of water and the Spirit, faithful to their calling; 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 Lord, we beseech thee mercifully to receive the prayers of your people which call upon thee; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfill the same; 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 704) Isaiah 42.1-9  
    (SPB Romans 12.1)

*Psalm:*                                29

1. Praise the Lord, you heavenly beings;  
    praise his glory and power.
2. **Praise the Lord's glorious name;  
    bow down before the Holy One when he appears.**
3. The voice of the Lord is heard on the seas;  
    the glorious God thunders,  
    and his voice echoes over the ocean.
4. **The voice of the Lord is heard  
    in all its might and majesty.**
5. The voice of the Lord breaks the cedars,  
    even the cedars of Lebanon.
6. **He makes the mountains of Lebanon jump like calves  
    and makes Mount Hermon leap like a young bull.**
7. The voice of the Lord makes the lightning flash.
8. **His voice makes the desert shake;  
    he shakes the desert of Kadesh.**
9. The Lord's voice shakes the oaks  
    and strips the leaves from the trees  
    while everyone in his Temple shouts, "Glory to God!"
10. **The Lord rules over the deep waters;  
    he rules as king forever.**
11. The Lord gives strength to his people  
    and blesses them with peace.

**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 for ever. Amen.**

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| <i>Second reading:</i>         | (Page 162) Acts 10.34-43  |
| <i>Gradual hymn:</i>           | 394 Let all the world in every corner sing  |
| <i>Gospel acclamation:</i>     | <b>Alleluia! Alleluia! The heavens opened and the Father's voice resounded: 'This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him. Alleluia!</b>  |
| <i>Gospel:</i>                 | Matthew 3.13-17<br>(SPB St Luke 2.41)   |
| <i>Sermon:</i>                 | The Revd Canon Christine Fraser   |
| <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>         | 352 Crown him with many crowns  |
| <i>Communion hymn:</i>         | 420 O Jesus I have promised   |
| <i>Prayer after Communion:</i> | <b>Gracious God, lover of all, by this sacrament you make us one family in Christ your Son, one in the sharing of his body and blood, one in the communion of his Spirit. Help us to grow in love for one another and come to the full maturity of the Body of Christ. We ask this in his name. Amen.</b> |
| <i>Blessing:</i>               | Christ the Son of God gladden your hearts with the good news of his kingdom; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. <b>Amen.</b>   |
| <i>Recessional hymn:</i>       | 395 Let bells peal forth  |

**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:*

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| Wed 14 <sup>th</sup> January | 10.00am    | Eucharist                    |
| Sun 18 <sup>th</sup> January | 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 will resume on Friday 23rd January 2026 at 10.30am.

**Craft Group:** Craft Group will resume on Monday 19th January at 2pm.

**Gowrie House:** The next service is on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2026 at 2pm.

**Prayers for Healing and Anointing:** The next service will be today after the 10.30am service

**Fellowship Group:** The fellowship group will meet on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2026 at 2pm in the small meeting room. All welcome.

**Study Group:** The group will meet on the third Wednesday of the month from 11am. The next meeting is on 21<sup>st</sup> January 2026.

**Vestry:** The next Vestry meeting will take place on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2026 at 7.30pm 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.

**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.

**Kirkcaldy Foodbank:** The foodbank is always appreciative of the level of support from St Peters; however now that we are into winter, perhaps you might consider contributing an extra tin or two. Collection basket in the vestibule.

**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.