

# St Peter's Scottish Episcopal Church, Kirkcaldy

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*Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2026, Lent 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.**

*Introit Hymn:*        353        Dear Lord and Father of mankind

*Collect:*                Almighty God, whose Son fasted forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are but did not sin, give us grace to discipline ourselves in submission to your Spirit, that as you know our weakness so we may know your power to save; 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, who for our sake didst fast forty days and forty nights: give us grace to use such abstinence, that, our flesh being subdued to the Spirit, we may ever obey thy godly motions in righteousness and true holiness, to thy honour and glory; who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, world without end, **Amen.**

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

*First reading:*        (Page 5) Genesis 2.15-17,3.1-7  
                                  (SPB 2 Corinthians 6.1

1. Happy are those whose sins are forgiven,  
whose wrongs are pardoned.
2. **Happy is the one whom the Lord does not accuse of doing wrong  
and who is free from all deceit.**
3. When I did not confess my sins,  
I was worn out from crying all day long.
4. **Day and night you punished me, Lord;  
my strength was completely drained,  
as moisture is dried up by the summer heat.**
5. Then I confessed my sins to you; I did not conceal my wrongdoings.  
I decided to confess them to you, and you forgave all my sins.
6. **So all your loyal people should pray to you in times of need;[b]  
when a great flood of trouble comes rushing in,  
it will not reach them.**
7. You are my hiding place; you will save me from trouble.  
I sing aloud of your salvation, because you protect me.
8. **The Lord says, "I will teach you the way you should go;  
I will instruct you and advise you.**
9. Don't be stupid like a horse or a mule,  
which must be controlled with a bit and bridle  
to make it submit."
10. **The wicked will have to suffer,  
but those who trust in the Lord  
are protected by his constant love.**
11. You that are righteous, be glad and rejoice  
because of what the Lord has done.  
You that obey him, shout for joy!

**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 192) Romans 5.12-19

*Gradual hymn:* 337 As pants the hart

*Gospel acclamation:*           **Alleluia! Alleluia! Man does not live on bread alone**

**but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. Alleluia!**

*Gospel:*                           (Page 6) Matthew 4.1-11  
(SPB St Matthew 4.1)

*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:*               64           Be thou my guardian

***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:*           357           Father hear the prayer we offer

*Prayer after Communion:*   **Faithful God, in this holy bread you increase our faith and hope and love. Lead us in the path of Christ who is your Word of life. We ask this in his name. Amen**

*Blessing:*                       Christ give you grace to grow in holiness, to deny yourselves, take up your cross, and follow him; 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 25 <sup>th</sup> Mar	10.00am	Eucharist
Sun 1st Mar	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 continue on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2026 at 10.30am

**Craft Group:** Craft Group will continue on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February at 2pm..

**Gowrie House:** The next service is on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2026 at 2pm.

**Prayers for Healing and Anointing:** The next service will be on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March after the 10.30am service

**Fellowship Group:** The fellowship group will meet on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> February 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 25<sup>th</sup> February 2026.

**Vestry:** The next Vestry meeting will take place on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2026 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.

**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:** Perhaps you might consider contributing an extra tin or two to the basket in the vestibule. All donations welcome.

**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.

**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.