

St Peter's Scottish Episcopal Church, Kirkcaldy



Sunday 31st August 2025, Pentecost 12 (Trinity 11)

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

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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: 237 Morning has broken

Collect: Author and Giver of all good things, graft in our hearts the love of your name, increase in us true religion, nourish us in all goodness, and of your great mercy keep us in the same; 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 God, who declarest thy almighty power most chiefly in using mercy and pity; Mercifully grant unto us such a measure of thy grace, that we, running the way of thy commandments, may obtain thy gracious promises, and be made partakers of thy heavenly treasure; 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 648) Proverbs 25.6-7
(SPB 1 1 Corinthians 15.1)

1. Happy is the person who honours the Lord,
who takes pleasure in obeying his commands.
2. **The good man's children will be powerful in the land;
his descendants will be blessed.**
3. His family will be wealthy and rich,
and he will be prosperous forever.
4. **Light shines in the darkness for good people,
for those who are merciful, kind, and just.**
5. Happy is the person who is generous with his loans,
who runs his business honestly.
6. **A good person will never fail;
he will always be remembered.**
7. He is not afraid of receiving bad news;
his faith is strong, and he trusts in the Lord.
8. **He is not worried or afraid;
he is certain to see his enemies defeated.**
9. He gives generously to the needy,
and his kindness never fails;
he will be powerful and respected.
10. **The wicked see this and are angry;
they glare in hate and disappear;
their hopes are gone forever.**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning,
is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen**

Second reading: (Page287) Hebrews 13. 1-8,15-16

Gradual hymn: 7 Hills of the north rejoice

Gospel acclamation: **Alleluia! Alleluia f anyone loves me he will keep my word,
and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him.
Alleluia!**

Gospel: (Page 98) Luke 14.1,7-14
(SPB St Luke 18.9)

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.*

Offertory hymn: 239 Lord of all hopefulness

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: 339 Be thou my vision

Prayer after Communion: Almighty God, you renew us at your table with the bread of life. May your holy food strengthen us in love and help us to serve you in each other. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our 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: 235 Forth in thy name O Lord I go

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

Wednesday 3rd September 10.00am Eucharist

Sunday 7th September 9.15am Eucharist (SPB)

10.30am 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 in September, date to be confirmed.

Craft Group: The group will continue after the summer break on 25th August at 1.30pm in the hall. All welcome.

Gowrie House: The next service is on Wednesday 17th September at 2pm. All welcome.

Prayers for Healing and Anointing: The next service will be on Sunday 14th September after the 10.30am service.

Fellowship Group: The fellowship group will meet on Thursday 25th September 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 17th September

Vestry: The next Vestry meeting will take place on Tuesday 2nd September 2025 at 7.30pm in the lower meeting room.

West Fife Area Council: West Fife Area Council Annual Service will be held on Sunday 7th September at 3pm in St Peter's Episcopal Church, Kirkcaldy, followed by refreshments. All welcome.

Foodbank: Kirkcaldy Foodbank are always delighted to receive donations of dry goods and toiletries. Please place in the basket in the vestibule. They are also desperate for carrier bags, if you have some that you can spare, please also fold flat and place in the basket. Many thanks.

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.

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.