

NEWS & VIEWS



September 2016

St Peter's Scottish Episcopal Church, Lutton Place, Edinburgh

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St Peter's Church Office

The Office is in the Church Lodge, 14 Lutton Place, EH8 9PE.

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It is open from 9am – 1pm from Monday to Friday.

Visitors are welcome to pop in and see our Administrator, Colin
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Clergy Days Off:

Rector, The Revd Canon Fred Tomlinson - usually Monday

If you or one of your family are sick or have gone into hospital,

please let the clergy know as soon as possible

and, if you want them for any reason, please do not hesitate to

telephone.

Please consult the Rector before any arrangements are made for funerals

Notices for the Sunday Newspaper

Need to be with the office by noon on the preceding Wednesday.
Additional notices may be passed to the clergy to read out at the
various Sunday services.

Contributions to *News & Views*

Articles and advertisements are welcome and can be emailed to
rector@stpetersedinburgh.org

Copy in the body of the email or Word documents, please do not send
PDF's. Handwritten or typed articles can also be left at the Church
Office (address above). Photographs and drawings are also welcome.
The DEADLINE for articles for the October edition of *News & Views* is
Sunday 18th September for publication on Sunday 2nd October.

Rector's Letter September 2016

Dear Friends

The beginning of a new ministry of any kind is always an exciting time for any church community. At the time of writing we're looking forward to welcoming Oliver Brewer-Lennon as our Curate following his ordination to the Diaconate on 25th September at 3.30pm in St Mary's Cathedral in Palmerston Place. If you're free, please do come along and support him that day.

Please give him and his partner Joe a warm welcome to the congregation. They will be living in Sciennes, not far from the church and are looking forward to getting to know everyone.

At the same time we ask God's blessing on other members of our church community who are moving into recognised ministry. Mariusz Wojciechowski is about to begin an extended placement at one of our Edinburgh congregations prior to being appointed as an incumbent at a church in the Diocese. We ask God's blessing on him and on Anna, Jakub and Lena as they prepare to make this important move. Similarly Thomas Ware (one half of our Flanders and Swann act at the Strawberry Tea each year) is currently on placement with the Mission to Seafarers in London prior to beginning pre-ordination training. We should be pleased that God has enabled us to be such a fruitful recruitment and training ground for people going forward for ministry.

These folk also reminds all of us that we too are called and equipped, not by ordination but by baptism, for the task of ministry in St Peter's and also where we serve God in our daily living each day. Look out for news in the upcoming newspapers and magazines of opportunities to develop the gifts for ministry which God has given us.

Fred

The Quiz

There was an error in question 12 of last month's quiz. I used a phrase in Russian (as a hint as to where the festival was), which didn't travel well through the Internet to the editor. When we resolved it over the phone by using the English instead, "white nights" got confused with "white knights". My apologies to anyone who wasted time scanning the Internet for chess tournaments, instead of "midnight sun" concerts.

Please identify the colours to complete the following phrases.

1. The ? Danube
 2. There once was a dormouse who lived in a bed
Of delphiniums (?) and geraniums (red).
 3. A rare bird, just like a ? swan.
 4. Never felt more like singing the ?
 5. Little ? jug how I love thee
 6. Tie a ? ribbon on the old oak tree
 7. The ? Lamp
 8. The great ?-? greasy Limpopo river
 9. Crimson ? (not a mistake in the question this month – I hope!)
 10. Secret, ? and midnight hags
 11. Prussian ?
 12. Danish ?
 13. ? Ochre (four possibilities at least)
 14. Camford have Blues: London have ?
 15. The old ? widowmaker
 16. ?mantle
 17. The ? brick road
 18. ? dwarf and ? giant
 19. Lincoln ?
 20. ... and which outlaw might have clashed a bit?
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Music Notes



Choral Evensong at Rosslyn Chapel



Choral Evensong is being sung by the choir of St Peter's in Rosslyn Chapel on Sunday 18th September at 7pm. This is to celebrate their Patronal Festival. Please note no Choral Evensong will be held in St Peter's on Sunday 25th September.

Choir rehearsals and *Junior Voice for Life* sessions resumed on Thursday 1st September. Please see a 'Music in St Peter's' leaflet for more information. We would welcome new members for both of these activities.

For children in Primary 3/4 – S3/4 or aged 8-16, **Junior Choir** is taken by Rupert and aided by Sheila, and it is during these rehearsals that the repertoire is learned for Sunday services, which the children sing with the adult choir. The children can also take the opportunity to sing in other church events and occasional concerts. All Junior Choristers attend *Sunday's Cool* during services when appropriate, and receive a small fee when they sing at a Sunday service.

Junior Chorister rehearsals:

Thursday: 7pm-8pm: Choir Rehearsal

Sunday: 10am: Choir Rehearsal, 10.45am: Morning Service

The **Adult Choir** for anyone aged 16+ is an enthusiastic group of adults who sing an anthem at every Sunday morning service, Choral Evensong once a month, and at various other services and events throughout the year such as those during Holy Week. They also give occasional concerts, last year singing Duruflé's Requiem on Good Friday. The repertoire covers an extensive range of music and styles from Renaissance to Modern day.

Adult Choir Rehearsals:

Thursday: 7.45pm-9.30pm: Choir Rehearsal

Sunday: 10am: Choir Rehearsal, 10.45am: Morning Service.

Choral Evensong (Usually the 4th Sunday of the month): **5.30pm:**
Choir rehearsal 6.30pm: Service

Meeting socially is very important to the choir, and the juniors often have an annual trip to a show.

If any children or adults wish to join the choir, they can either speak to Rupert or Sheila after a morning service, just turn up to any Thursday session/rehearsal, or contact Rupert on 0131 664 3030 or on rupert@rof27.plus.com

VOICE
for **LIFE**

Voice for Life is an educational programme for children and adults, developed by the Royal School of Church Music. The programme covers music theory, aural and sight-singing skills, vocal technique and repertoire, musicianship, and Christian liturgy. On achievement of various levels, singers are awarded differently coloured ribbons to go with their *Voice for Life* medal.



In St Peter's, Voice for Life is primarily run by Sheila, with regular input from Rupert and the Clergy. Over the years, individual child and adult participants have between them attained every level of these prestigious awards.

Junior Voice for Life

(For children from P 3/4, or aged 8-16)

Thursday: 6.15pm – 7pm:

Children who sing in the Junior Choir have the option of attending *Voice for Life* classes. They learn in a variety of ways including through playing games, sometimes in the church garden.

***Voice for Life* for all aged 16+**

Adults can follow the *Voice for Life* programme on their own or in groups. Although the Vestry of St Peter's supports this training and provides the use of the Choir Vestry, there is a fee to cover other costs. For information regarding adult sessions, please speak to Sheila.

Sea Sunday

On 21st August we remembered Sea Sunday during our service. Sea Sunday is the way by which The Mission to Seafarers draws attention to the 1.5 million men and women who face dangers every day to keep our global economy afloat. Merchant seafarers face many problems in their work — separation from loved-ones, shipwreck, piracy, abandonment and many others.

The Mission to Seafarers is this year in its 160th year of work. They work in over 200 ports in 50 countries caring for seafarers of all ranks, nationalities and beliefs. The Mission has a global network of chaplains, staff and volunteers who offer practical, emotional and spiritual support to seafarers through ship visits, drop-in centres and a range of welfare and emergency support services.

In over 100 ports they have "Flying Angel" centres providing a "Home away from home" for seafarers who may have been at sea for up to two years. Here they can enjoy time away from their ship and use internet and phone facilities to get in touch with loved ones after months away.

In an emergency The Mission to Seafarers is often the only help on offer. No matter what problem a seafarer is facing, be it injury, abandonment, non-payment of wages or personal difficulties they know that they can turn to the local Mission for help, advice and support. The chaplains and volunteers offer practical and financial support, advocacy services, family liaison or simply a place to talk in a time of crisis.

The Rector blessed a large number of woollen hats knitted by members of the congregation, especially Nan Murray, which the Mission hand out to seafarers. If you would feel able to help with knitting hats there is a pattern for them at the back of church.

There was a retiring collection in aid of The Mission to Seafarers at which £169.00 was donated, of which £124.00 was giftaided. This means that The Mission will draw back the tax on this from HMRC, making St Peter's contribution this year £200.00. "Thank you to everyone involved."

Congratulaton

Those of you who were at St Peter's in the late '80's and early '90's will remember the Haddow family who were members of the congregation at that time.

It was a pleasure to note that Kathleen Haddow was awarded the BEM in the Queen's Birthday Honours for services to the Community in Edinburgh in her role as volunteer adviser at Gorgie Citizens' Advice Bureau.

The family is now in North Berwick and closely involved with St Baldred's where Kathleen is Vestry Secretary.

Jim Phillips

Isobel Reid

We chose our reading from Romans (Chapter 8 verses 31-end) for Isobel because one of the verses was marked in her Bible and from other passages noted it seems that God's continuing love for us through Jesus' Cross and Resurrection was central to Isobel's faith – A faith which sustained her through the different phases of her life – visiting different churches as a child with her mother who played the organ, through to her confirmation at St Peter's and receiving Communion at Clovenstone.

Isobel was born 90 years ago at Elsie Inglis. She was a younger sibling of six brothers and sisters. She was very close to Dick and when they were younger they were often taken to be twins. They were the only ones allowed to call each other Bella and Dickie.

During the War they were evacuated to Westfield. Isobel stayed with Danny and Margaret Liddell with whom she stayed in contact for some time afterwards and she enjoyed walking along the railway line to Bathgate School at that time.

After school Isobel trained as a secretary and worked for a legal firm. She did firewatching duty on the roof only to be told by the man in charge that if there was a fire she wasn't even to try and put it out but to get down and out of the way! She was a good legal secretary and would have loved to have trained for the Bar herself had the possibility been there.

Brought up in a musical household Isobel had a good soprano voice. She was trained by Dr Mooney and took part in various productions including Carmen and La Traviata. She sang at the Usher Hall and the Morningside Theatre and on one occasion sang solo at the bandstand on Princes Street Gardens. She also joined the church choir at St. Mary's, Bellevue.

She was very outgoing and Jane remembers holidays at St Abb's Head when her mother would sing at evenings in the village hall. And, the family cats had musical names...Presto and Vivace being two of them. But the dogs were Nip and Fergus!

In October 1956 Isobel and Jimmy were married and Jane was born the following year. Jimmy was a naval ship joiner and had a close affinity with Loen in Norway. During their married life he tried to teach Isobel Norwegian and they always wrote their birthday and anniversary cards to each other in Norwegian.

After several years of family holidays with Jane in St Abb's Head the family started holidaying in Kilhoan on the west coast. There there was fishing and sailing and otters. On one occasion Isobel showed characteristic determination in endeavouring to see and photograph the otters. She slipped on the rocks and broke her thumb but that didn't stop her from getting the photograph she wanted.

She showed similar determination in swimming in the cold water in the north and also in being determined to drive the scenic route home after days out rather than taking the direct route. She could be great fun to be with!

Jimmy died in 1992. Isobel was devastated and moved back to Edinburgh from Mid-Calder where they had been living. It was then that she started her connection with St Peter's and she also volunteered at St Columba's hospice shop in Morningside.

Isobel was interested in paintings though she didn't continue to paint herself after the painting course she attended. Her interest in photography did continue and she progressed to a camcorder which she took on her two visits to Australia to see her lifelong friend Edith Symonds who had settled in Perth. On the second occasion Isobel travelled by train with Belle, a friend of Edith's, to Adelaide across the Nullabor Plain. It was on that visit that she was most indignant to find that she had come to an age when she was required by the Australian airports to use a wheelchair at the terminals. She was not impressed! But she brought back suitable presents for her grandsons – shark tooth necklaces and a shark's jaw for David and a didgeridoo for Bob.

Over the last years Isobel's health has declined. She has been very well cared for at Clovenstone. She celebrated her 90th birthday on June 22nd.

Isobel has led a full life and we each of us will have different cameos of her in our minds from different periods in her life. From the outside it can read like a social history. Her cars, for example, starting with a scooter and side car, a bubble car, Morris minor, Triumph herald... and there's the picture Jane has of her mother looking beautiful in a pale blue 1950s dress.

Isobel will have grown and developed with the times but as St Paul reminds us the one constant for Isobel, and the constant for us as we move on from here to continue our earthly journey, is God's faithful love there to support us through all the different stages of our earthly life and through death to our new life with Him.

Quiz Answers

1. The Blue Danube
2. There once was a dormouse who lived in a bed
Of delphiniums (blue) and geraniums (red) (A A Milne)
3. A rare bird, just like a black swan.
4. Never felt more like singing the blues
5. Little brown jug how I love thee
6. Tie a yellow ribbon on the old oak tree
7. The Blue Lamp (film)
8. The great grey-green greasy Limpopo river (Kipling, Just-So Stories)
9. Crimson lake (also known as carmine, derived from cochineal)
10. Secret, black and midnight hags (Macbeth)
11. Prussian blue
12. Danish blue
13. Ochre (four main possibilities) red, yellow, purple, brown
14. Camford have Blues: London have Purples (Camford – ask any refined and educated member of St Peter’s and Gloria, Rupert or John will explain why Cambridge clearly comes before Oxford)
15. The old grey widowmaker (Kipling, meaning the sea: Puck of Pook’s Hill)

Dates for your diary

September	
Sunday 4th	Bring and share lunch after the 10.45am services
Thursday 8th	Lunch Club meets after the 11am Service
Sunday 11th	Church Walk after the 10.45am service
Tuesday 13th	Afternoon service at 2.30pm in the small hall
Sunday 18th	Service at Rosslyn Chapel at 7pm
Wednesday 18th	Vestry meets at the rectory at 7.30pm
23 rd – 25th	Fred away leading Diocesan Ordination Retreat

Sunday 25th	Harvest Thanksgiving Ordination of Oliver Brewer-Lennon at 3.30pm
Early October	
Saturday 1st	Macmillan Coffee morning. Hall, 1– 4pm
Sunday 2nd	Bring and share lunch after the 10.45am services
Wednesday 5th	Vestry meets at the rectory at 7.30pm
Thursday 6th	Lunch Club meets after the 11am Service NCT meeting at Salvation Army at 7.30pm
Tuesday 11th	Afternoon service at 2.30pm in the small hall
Saturday 22nd	Church Coffee Morning

MONDAY GROUP

The Monday Group meets regularly at 7.30pm in the choir vestry during the winter months – October to April – on the first and third Mondays of the month. Please note that membership is now open to all, both men and women.

Do consider joining the Monday Group. Our first meeting of the new session will be a Cheese & Nibbles evening on Monday 3rd October to welcome new members, the speaker will be Colin Harrison, our new Administrator, who will give a talk about the Scout Movement. Members of St Peter's of all ages and their friends are most welcome to join the group, we are a friendly bunch and have an interesting variety of speakers and events. Further information from any committee member – Liz Philp, Pamela Dugan, Jane Sutherland, Jennifer Milligan, Fiona Smith or Margaret Garden.

Liz Philp

Sunday Services at St Peter's

4th September Pentecost 16
8.30am Holy Communion
(Scottish Communion Office)
10.45am 1982 Communion
(shortened)
6.30pm Compline

2nd October. Pentecost 20
8.30am Holy Communion
(Scottish Communion Office)
10.45am Sung Matins
Hall Service
6.30pm Compline

11th September. Pentecost 17
8.30am Holy Communion (1929)
10.45am 1982 Communion with
Sunday's Cool for children
6.30pm Compline

9th October. Pentecost 21
8.30am Holy Communion (1929)
10.45am 1982 Communion with
Sunday's Cool for children
6.30pm Compline

18th September. Pentecost 18
8.30am Holy Communion (1929)
10.45am 1970 Communion with
Sunday's Cool for children
7pm Choral Evensong at
Rosslyn Chapel

18th October. Pentecost 22
8.30am Holy Communion (1929)
10.45am 1970 Communion with
Sunday's Cool for children
6.30pm Choral Evensong

25th September. Harvest
8.30am Holy Communion (1929)
10.45am All-age Communion
6.30pm Compline

23rd October. Pentecost 23
8.30am Holy Communion (1929)
10.45am 1982 Communion
6.30pm Compline

30th October. Pentecost 24
8.30am Holy Communion (1929)
10.45am 1982 Communion
6.30pm Compline

Sunday Services at St Peter's

8.30am Holy Communion

This spoken Morning Prayer and Communion follow the 1929 Prayer Book. There is no music and, on the first Sunday of each month, there is no sermon.

10.45am: Sung Mattins

Held in the Church with the choir and organ: This follows the 1929 Prayer Book, and sometimes includes a choral version of a Canticle.

10.45am: Hall Service

An All-Age Communion service that is held in the hall. It is contemporary in style and music, uses a simple Liturgy and is led by an informal choir and instrumentalists.

10.45am 1982 Communion

This Communion service follows the 1982 Liturgy, with choir and organ, and the congregational Communion Setting is by David Sanger, Noel Rawsthorne or David Jenkins (James MacMillan in Advent and Lent).

10.45am 1970 Communion

This Communion service follows the 1970 Liturgy, with choir and organ, and the Communion Setting is by Merbecke.

Sunday's Cool is held during the 1982 and 1970 Communion services with the children leaving at different times depending on their age. Everyone returns in time for Communion.

All Age Services

All Age services follow a simple Liturgy and mix traditional with contemporary music using both the Organ and Instrumentalists as appropriate.

6.30pm Evening Services:

Compline mostly follows the 1929 Prayer Book.

Choral Evensong is a sung evening service that follows the 1929 Prayer Book.

People

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Servers' Guild Bill Polson 667 6628
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Parents & Toddlers Thursdays 9.30-11.30am 662 9171
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Prayer Group Tuesdays 7pm Revd Marian McKean 667 4573
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