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We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only son of God,

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From the Rector

Rev Nick Wills

It has been great to welcome (and welcome back) students beginning their new academic year and we joined together as a church, on Sunday 15th September, to enjoy a burger lunch. Huge thanks to Jacob and Christian for taking charge of the fire and cooking the burgers and sausages.

We look forward to getting to know new students over the coming months with various activities.

As many of you receive this, we will be preparing to celebrate a busy Sunday on 29th September. It is our Harvest Festival, so please bring offerings of goods for Newington FoodBank+ and stay after the service for a simple soup lunch.

In the afternoon it is Fee Reynolds' Ordination at St Mary's Episcopal Cathedral. It has been great to get to know Fee and benefit from her support, personally, while the whole church has been especially blessed by her thoughtful prayers of intercession. We will miss her, and wish her well as she begins her curacy at St Ninian's, but hope to see her back with us before too long. I'm sure you will join with me in praying for Fee and Scott as she takes this step in her ministry journey.

It will be a particular joy for me to present Fee as part of her ordination service, as it will also be the 25th anniversary of my own ordination. It is a time for reflection on ordained ministry, both as deacon and priest, as I head towards my sabbatical.

Before that, though, there is much to do at St Peter's, and our AGM on Sunday 27th October, following the 10.45am service, is especially important. It is an opportunity to reflect on the church's year, to take stock, and to look to the next stage of our journey together. There is also the opportunity for the church to elect our Vestry members. If you feel able to serve the church

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<https://stpetersedinburgh.org/>

in this way, taking on the responsibility of a Trustee of St Peter's, then please speak to me, or a member of the Vestry, to learn more about it. See pages 10 & 11 for information about the AGM, and what is involved in being a Vestry member.

A big thank you to those who have served on our Vestry this year, and especially to Janice, Laura and Sheila for all the extra work that the AGM entails. I greatly appreciated their hard work to facilitate this important exercise in transparency and accountability.

As usual, the AGM reports will encompass both the legal and financial reporting which enables that transparency, but also the reports of the many groups and activities which make up the life of St Peter's, and express our response to God's love in mission to our community and in fellowship with one another.

So as we head towards Autumn, and shorter days and longer nights, please pray for one another, and especially for those amongst our church family and the wider community who are vulnerable.

Nick

Harvest Festival

Our Harvest Festival on 29th September ends the Season of Creation, a season when we have been reflecting on the commitment of our Church to respond appropriately to the global environmental and climate crisis. Our Harvest collection will be in aid of the Newington FoodBank+. (See p. 18)

Useful donations include coffee, sugar, biscuits, breakfast cereal, cooking oil, shampoo/shower gel, washing up liquid, soap powder. There will also be a retiring collection and donation box with Gift Aid envelopes for those who wish to use them.



In the hall after the 10.45am service, the sunflower competition will be judged during coffee, and all are warmly invited to both this and the congregational soup lunch. See the front cover for one sunflower entry!

Children's Church

We always welcome children to our services.

At all services, children are very welcome to use and enjoy the activity and colouring-in station set up at the back of church, in the Children's Corner.

During the 10.45am Sunday service, for children who would like to join in, there are fun activities based on the day's Bible theme in the church hall. Organised by Becky, our Children and Young People's Worker, a group of volunteers help her to run the activities. Children and their leaders usually leave during the Gloria and return to the service in time for Communion.

If you have any questions, please speak to a Welcomer or to Becky before the service. Or you can email becky@stpetersedinburgh.org any time.

Young Adults & Students

We warmly welcome new students and young adults, and there is a varied programme of special events throughout the year for them to get to know each other better.



Any students or young adults who want further details are invited to join our student and young adult email lists. For more details speak to either Nick, Becky or Sheila, or email becky@stpetersedinburgh.org

Toddler Group

By Becky Wills, Children's and Young People's Worker

Our Toddler Group is for those aged 0-3 and runs from 9.30am – 11.30am on Mondays and Thursdays during school term time. Donation £1 per family per session and tea/coffee and snacks are provided. Our international groups are very welcoming and friendly, with families from all over the world!



Please note that due to the October holidays, there is no Toddler Group on Monday 14th, Thursday 17th or Monday 21st October.

If you know a family with young children who would like to join us, email: becky@stpetersedinburgh.org

Youth in Edinburgh Diocese

The Edinburgh Diocese Youth and Children Newsletter is published every six months. A monthly MailChimp Update email can be sent, which provide forward-looking information about upcoming training or courses, access to grant funding, resource



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information, and important dates: To register and for more information, see: [Youth and Children Newsletter | Diocese of Edinburgh \(anglican.org\)](https://www.edinburgh.org/youth-children-newsletter)

The next youth event taking place in the Diocese is the Provincial Youth Sleepover, over the weekend of 26th-27th October, at St Columba's-by-the-Castle. This is for all young people of secondary-school age, and graduates of Yeek24. For information about events, one can also contact Rev Fiona Reynolds, The Diocesan Advisor for Christian Life.

Email: freynolds@dioceseofedinburgh.org or phone 0131 346 9089.

Process

Our next Process service at 6.30pm on 13th October is a journey into Autumn, the season of rest for creation, and a chance for us to reflect and respond through quiet and poetry.

Our monthly creative, interactive and hopefully spiritually uplifting evening worship experience is open to all. We usually meet in the hall, but may move around the building, into the church, Millar Chapel, or sometimes outside if the weather is nice.

The service is from 6.30pm – 7.30pm, usually on the 2nd Sunday of the month, lasts about an hour, and refreshments are available afterwards.



Thank You Christine!

We say a most grateful thanks to Christine R. who, through a recent sponsored park run, raised £217.50 for children's work in St Peter's!

Congratulations on completing the run, Christine!

Walking Group

30th August Walk Report

Commonwealth Pool to Bridgend via the Innocent Railway

by Janet H., walk coordinator



On Friday 30th August six of us set off on a walk starting at the Commonwealth Pool. Quite a contrast to the January day we were last in the area, this time the sun was shining in a clear blue sky. The vegetation was abundant and at the peak of its growth. There was a hint of autumn though as the brambles and rosehips were all coming out - looks like a good year for berries.

We headed through the Innocent Railway tunnel which is now well lit with colourful artwork on the walls and then followed the green corridor with Samson's Ribs and the Bawsinch Nature Reserve to our left. This links to Duddingston Loch and is an important site for breeding and wintering wildfowl. On reaching Duddingston Road we crossed the Braid Burn and headed southwest into King's Haugh following the line of the burn to Peffermill Road.



Crossing this we turned into Craigmillar Castle Park. The 15th century castle is now managed by Historic Environment Scotland and the extensive area around is a mixture of open parkland and mixed woodland. There are many paths to follow and opportunities to hear the many birds living there. Edinburgh & Lothians Greenspace Trust run a public programme of events and activities - many ideal for young children.

We walkers followed a path uphill for a while then along and down to reach the path to Bridgend Farmhouse. Bridgend seems to be thriving with plenty of produce in its allotments, lots of community events, cycle training, walking groups, Chris is still making his volunteer lunches.

We had a pleasant cuppa before making our way homewards.

Edinburgh & Lothians Greenspace Trust. elgt.org.uk

Bridgend Farmhouse. bridgendfarmhouse.org.uk

Walk on Wednesday 16th October

Janet H. is kindly leading another walk on Wednesday 16th October. Please contact Janet directly for information about the walk, and to let her know if you plan to go please email Janet: via the office. office@stpetersedinburgh.org

If you have any other questions about the group, or would like to receive Walking Group emails, please speak to Sheila.

Ordination of Rev Fiona Reynolds

At 3.30pm on 29th September, Fee Reynolds, one of our members, is being Ordained to the Holy Order of Deacons. All are very welcome to the service being held in St Mary's Episcopal Cathedral.

Fee is the Edinburgh Diocesan Advisor for Christian Life where she oversees ministerial development and training and the provision of resources for mission and ministry. She also supports those in authorised ministry including those leading youth & children's ministry.



She has been an ordained minister in the Church of Scotland, and is now following a calling to become a minister in the Scottish Episcopal Church. Retaining her Diocesan job, our prayers are with Fee and Scott as she begins a new chapter in her life and moves on to be a Curate in St Ninian's Church, Comely Bank. We gratefully thank her for her meaningful Intercessions, and for her important contribution to the life of St Peter's!

Magazine Articles

The November magazine is due to be issued on 27th October.

Please email or submit your articles and photographs to Sheila, office@stpetersedinburgh.org

Thank you!

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*The DEADLINE for the
November issue is
Thursday 17th October*

September 2024 Vestry Update

By Janice, Vestry Secretary

Vestry members met on the 18th September in person.

The special activity days planned by Becky Wills in the summer have been popular. The arrangement for Children's Church on Sunday mornings, where children come back in time for communion, continues well.

We thanked Chris A. and Jacob P. for their work for the "Grill out" after the morning service on 15th September. Harvest Festival will be celebrated in the service on 29th September, followed by our Harvest lunch, then Fee Reynolds' ordination in St Mary's cathedral at 3.30pm and Evensong at 6.30pm. Everyone is welcome.

Our plans for a defibrillator continue slowly. I qualified as a First Aid Trainer at the Nuco July course and assessment. (See my article on the Resuscitation and First Aid courses on page 14 and contact me if you or someone you know would like to take part in the October modules).

With Nick's Sabbatical from November this year to February 2025, we discussed and approved Donald's and Sue's plans for our Advent and Christmas services. We also decided to make gifts to our local food bank instead of vouchers for the City Mission initiative.

We were updated with issues regarding building maintenance of the Rectory. We continue to be grateful to the contractors who serve us.

The Finance report will be discussed with our auditor and presented at our next Vestry meeting which has been brought forward to 9th October.

Please continue to pray for your Vestry.

Stewardship

For information on how you can help to support God's mission and ministry in St Peter's through giving, or to update your tax status, please contact:

Gift Aid Secretary Chris H. and

Treasurer Laura via development@stpetersedinburgh.org

Annual General Meeting

Sunday 27th October, c. 12.15pm, following the 10.45am service

By Janice, Vestry Secretary

Our Annual General Meeting will take place on Sunday 27th October 2024 after the 10.45am service. The meeting will commence in the church hall at around 12.15pm, following the 10.45am service, and will be chaired by Nick. The main purpose of the meeting will be to receive the Annual Report and Accounts.

The business of the meeting will also include: the election of two constituent members of the congregation to act as members of the Vestry; the election of a Lay Representative, Alternate Lay Representative; and the appointment of an independent examiner (to audit the annual accounts).

The meeting will also deal with any other competent business, notice of which should be lodged with myself or Nick prior to the meeting.

The names of all candidates seeking election to the Vestry, as Lay or Alternative representatives, together with their proposers and seconders, should be lodged with myself or Nick prior to the meeting, and in any event no later than midday Saturday 26th October. I'm happy to receive nominations for all positions electronically – please email Janice via the office if you wish to receive a nomination form by email. Forms will also be available from the back of church.

As required, copies of the Annual Report and Accounts will be available to view prior to the AGM. We aim to have them ready for distribution on 13th October 2024. Also available from that date will be copies of a draft minute of last year's AGM.

Please do not hesitate to contact me directly, or via the office, if you have any queries on arrangements for the AGM.

Following is useful information for those considering standing for Vestry. The links are clickable in the email and online versions of the magazine.

Vestry is an elected group of congregational members who work together to serve the church.

What is Vestry responsible for?

- Vestry members are the Trustees of the church and have legal responsibilities and obligations to OSCR (the regulator for Scottish charities.)
- The life of the church
- Supporting the Clergy and congregation
- Being receptive to hearing and discussing different views
- Being up to date with the responsibilities regarding Safeguarding
- Ensuring the welfare of the paid staff and volunteers
- Being aware of issues and directing them to the appropriate person
- Buildings: Church, Rectory, Curate's flat
- Community issues & connections
- Relationships with the national Church

Vestry Agenda for meetings

- The Vestry Secretary will normally send you the Agenda a week before the meeting.

Useful information to read;

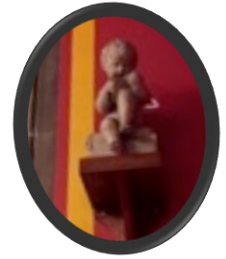
If you would like a printed copy of any, please ask Sheila in the office to print them for you.

- **Safeguarding**
The SEC Safeguarding manual and policy can be found online here.
<https://www.scotland.anglican.org/who-we-are/organisation/safeguarding/>
- **Responsibilities of Vestry Members**
<https://www.scotland.anglican.org/vestry-resources/vestry-responsibilities/responsibilities-of-the-vestry/>
- **Governance, Accounting and Charity Matters**
<https://www.scotland.anglican.org/vestry-resources/vestry-responsibilities/>
- **Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005: Guidance for Vestries**
<https://www.scotland.anglican.org/vestry-resources/vestry-responsibilities/charities-and-trustee-investment-scotland-act-2005-guidance-for-vestries/>
- **For other information about being a Vestry Member, please see:**
<https://www.scotland.anglican.org/?s=Vestry+Members>

Books for Bairns

A project to gift the joy of books to children

‘One Child and One Book At A Time’.



Please put any picture books (that are in a good condition) into the box at the back of church, or hand them into the office.

Thank you to Liz M. who regularly delivers our books to the South East Foodbank+ in Burdiehouse, South Edinburgh!

For more information about *Books for Bairns*, see:

<https://stpetersedinburgh.org/books-for-bairns>

Music Notes

By Rupert, Director of Music



Choral Evensong

Choral Evensong is usually held on the last Sunday of the month. It will be held at 6.30pm on Sunday 29th September & 27th October.

Do you enjoy singing?

Choral music lies at the heart of the worshipping life of our church, and we'd love you to join our four-part choir!

We sing a wide variety of Anglican repertoire.

Choir rehearsals are held on a Thursday night, and new members are always welcome!

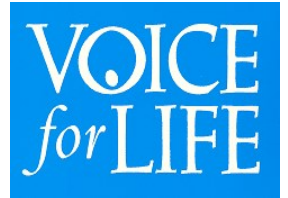
Voice for Life (*Optional for Junior Choristers*) 6.15pm-7pm.

Junior Choir (aged 8-18): 7pm-8pm,

Adults (aged 17+) join at 7.45pm until about 9.30pm.

Voice for Life

St Peter's is a Royal School of Church Music (RSCM) choir, and Voice for Life is one of their training programmes. Voice for Life is an educational programme for children and adults, developed by the Royal School of Church Music.



The optional sessions for Junior Choristers are primarily run by Sheila, with regular input from Rupert and the Clergy.

Voice for Life meets on Thursday nights from 6.15pm-7pm, and participants give it and Junior Choir a trial for a few weeks before starting to sing on a Sunday. For more information speak to or email Sheila at office@stpetersedinburgh.org.

Singers are awarded differently coloured ribbons to go with their Voice for Life medal.

Voice for Life Medal and
White Ribbon
Light Blue Ribbon
Dark Blue Ribbon
Red Ribbon
Yellow Ribbon



Levels are assessed internally, but participants can also sit the externally assessed RSCM Bronze, Silver and Gold Awards.

Over the years, individual child and adult participants in St Peter's have between them attained every level of these prestigious awards.

During Voice for Life, the Junior Choir learn in a variety of ways including through playing games, sometimes in the church garden.

Email Director of Music Rupert and
Organist Sheila via office@stpetersedinburgh.org

What is a QR Code? On a Smartphone, open the camera and point it at the square. Click on the link that appears and you are taken directly to the given webpage, which will have more information!



First Aid Training Days

By Dr Janice Allister, (FRCGP, Qualified First Aid Instructor)

In October I am running two first aid training sessions, both in the Choir Vestry on Saturday mornings from 9am to 12 noon. On 12th October we will look at cardio-pulmonary resuscitation, defibrillation, anaphylaxis and choking.

On 19th October we will cover bleeds, breaks, burns and fits.

Both sessions will be practical and hands-on: participants would need to wear clothing suitable for kneeling on the floor. Each session is stand alone: people are welcome to book for both, or just one if they are confident of skills in the other area.

There is no charge. There will be a comfort break, but bring your own refreshments. Numbers are limited. Contact Janice via the office to ask for a place.

More information about the training events can be found on the church website.



St Peter's Book Club

The Book Club welcomes new members to discuss a wide range of titles. It meets in the Choir Vestry and one can just turn up to discuss the chosen book.

The following books are being discussed:

30th Sept 'Housekeeping' by Marilynne Robinson

28th Oct 'Infidel' by Ayaan Hirsi Ali

25th Nov 'War Doctor' by David Nott

For more information about the Book Club, please contact the office.



Can you help?

Liz M. is looking for help to paint the garden benches. Please contact her if you are able to help! Email Liz via the office.

Monday Group

By Liz P.

Our regular monthly meetings with speakers on Monday afternoons will recommence on 14th October at 2.30pm in the hall. Our speaker will be Lesley Main; her talk is entitled 'My Granny's Drawers'!

On Monday 11th November Rev Sue Whitehouse will be taking a service of Holy Communion, after which Janet Y. will be giving a talk about St Ignatius of Loyola and the work of the Ignatian Spirituality Centre in Glasgow.

The cost of annual membership of the Monday Group is £10. We would like to encourage all those who come and enjoy our meetings to become members. We ask £1 per meeting for members, but £2 from non-members. All are most welcome to our meetings, men and women of any age. Bring your friends, attendees don't have to be members of St Peter's. Our secretary, Pam D., is working on putting together an interesting schedule for the rest of the year.

For further information about the Monday Group you can contact our president Jane S., secretary Pam D., or Liz P via the office.

Email: office@stpetersedinburgh.org

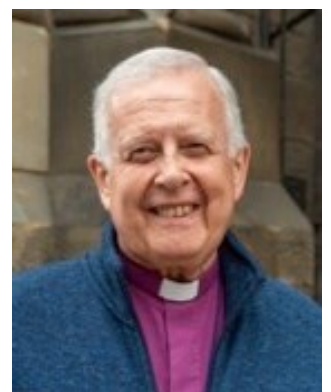
Bishop Donald Allister's Bible Teaching Videos

Donald uploads a new Bible teaching video every Monday to his YouTube channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/@feedmysheep2023>

These are free to view, and it is fine to pass the link on to anyone who might be interested.

During October he will continue his nine-week series on chapters 7 to 10 of Mark's Gospel, each week looking at the Gospel reading for the following Sunday.



If you find accessing and navigating YouTube difficult, Donald would be very happy to send you MP4 files of his talks, which should work on any modern computer or mobile phone. Please email him or ask him in Church.

The Nicene Creed: Then and Now

Please come and join us to discuss the history and relevance of the Creed of Nicea, a uniquely enduring statement of Christian faith.

Sunday, October 20th, 2024
2.00pm – 4.00pm

We regularly say the Nicene Creed in our worship, but where does it come from and why does it matter today? The Council of Nicea took place in 325AD, almost 1700 years ago, and dealt with one of the biggest threats to Christianity. Nicea's solution is still crucially important to our faith.

Chair Rev Nick Wills



Speakers

Nicea and the role of Constantine.

Janet Sidaway (PhD, King's College London)

The Da Vinci Code and the Biblical Canon at Nicea.

Jacob W. Peterson (PhD, New College, University of Edinburgh)

We need creeds: Nicea for today.

The Rt. Rev Donald Allister, retired Bishop of Peterborough

Janet, Jacob and Donald have each studied Nicea from different perspectives.

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

This should be a fascinating and faith-strengthening afternoon.



Eco-Matters

Ring Out for Climate Justice

A youth-initiated event for all aged 11-16, Ring Out for Climate Justice is a youth-led climate justice project that meets at St Mary's Episcopal Cathedral, Edinburgh. It is delivered in collaboration with A+E, an Art and Ecology programme, also based at the Cathedral. A+E braids the terms accident and emergency, art and ecology, art and education. A+E is curated by Jonathan Baxter, currently the artist in residence at St Mary's, and it is in collaboration with a wide range of partners including artists, local residents, environmentalists, peer-educators, and the Cathedral congregation.



Ring Out meets monthly and for more information about future events, contact Jonathan Baxter, email: jb4change@gmail.com or phone him on 07954 123543. The Cathedral bells are also rung between 12 noon and 12.20pm. It is open to all young people, of all faiths and none.

Roseburn Path *by Anna M.*

It was only fairly recently that I clocked onto The City of Edinburgh Council's plan to turn the Roseburn Path into a tramway. I am really upset by this plan, and hope it won't get approval to go ahead. It's such a beautiful green corridor for active travel and leisure. I've used it a lot over the years, and last week, whilst pedalling to Portobello, enjoyed watching runners, cyclists, mobility scooters, dogs, cycle tourists and walkers all enjoying the path together. We've also felt confident to take Emily on this path in her bike trailer, as it's traffic free, so minimal pollution, and nice and wide, with plenty for her to look at. Surely trams should replace cars, not pedestrians, cyclists and other wheelers.



Any alternative cycle or foot path the council suggests in its place will be neither as green, quiet, peaceful, safe or as separate from traffic as this one, with the result that many will not feel safe or able to use them. The ecological implications of this plan could also be vast, as there are so many mature

trees and shrubs along the path, as well as it being home to birds, rabbits, badgers, insects etc.

I've written to my local councillor (for the first time ever!), and have joined Save the Roseburn Path Facebook page, and will be following what happens next with interest!

More information is available on the Edinburgh City Council website at <https://www.edinburgh.gov.uk/public-transport/trams-granton-bioquarter-beyond/8> where you can sign up to receive information about the public consultation when a date has been set. You can also see the 'Save Roseburn Path' webpage: [Get Involved | Save The Roseburn Path](#)

Helping Those in Need

Newington FoodBank⁺ *by Fiona, a volunteer*



My name is Fiona and I volunteer as the Food Coordinator at the Foodbank. Since the Foodbank is open every Thursday morning, Wednesday is my day for ordering fresh food from FareShare (a national re-distribution charity run, in Edinburgh, by the Cyrenians) to whom we pay a monthly fee for the delivery of foodstuffs. <https://fareshare.org.uk/fareshare-centres/central-and-south-east-scotland/> These are goods which have been donated to FareShare by supermarkets as being surplus, or close to the use-by date.

On Wednesday afternoon I can often be found shopping for a few commodities we may be desperate for that week. We have money for this thanks to the generosity of local churches and individuals, and indeed the community at large.

Most of the donations we receive for the Foodbank are dried or tinned goods. These are usually collected and delivered by churches who are part of Newington Churches Together – St Peter's and eight other churches of different denominations in the Newington area – or are donated by a few local shops or their customers. We have a useful, compact storage area for these goods at the venue, Community Church Edinburgh in South Clerk Street.

Thursday mornings from 9.00am until we open to guests at 10.30am are a whirl of activity: putting up tables, receiving and date-marking goods and carrying boxes of mainly tins from the storage area to the tables where food is laid out for guests to choose what they need. While the guests are choosing, we keep the tables topped up and when they have finished, I weigh their bags and record the weights against names. As I assure the guests, this procedure has far less to do with how much they are taking individually than how much we are giving out, since Edinburgh City Mission, who are in overall charge, keep records for this and their six other Foodbanks+ in Edinburgh.

The volunteers in the food team, while helping people make their choices or find what they need, have plenty of opportunity to chat informally with the guests. Our bywords are “welcome, kindness and generosity” and we try to make everyone feel at home.

We are very grateful to you all at St Peter’s for your support of the Foodbank in different ways. You are welcome to pop in to see us on a Thursday morning. You might even want to ask about volunteering yourself!

Fresh Start

Fresh Start is always in need of various household donations. If you would like to help, please pick up a leaflet at the back of the church, or see their webpage:

<https://www.freshstartweb.org.uk/>



Ukraine and Middle East Crisis Appeals

Christian Aid offers assistance to Ukraine refugees

<https://www.christianaid.org.uk/appeals/emergencies/ukraine-crisis-appeal>

Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC)

<https://www.dec.org.uk/appeal/ukraine-humanitarian-appeal>

Christian Aid Middle East Crisis Appeal

<https://www.christianaid.org.uk/appeals/emergencies/middle-east-crisis-appeal>

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Sunday Readings

**The passages being read*

October 2024

6th Oct Twentieth Sunday of Trinity

*Genesis 2: 18-24 ♦ Psalm 8 ♦ Hebrews 1: 1-4 & 2: 5-12 ♦ *Mark 10: 2-16

13th Oct Twenty-First Sunday of Trinity

Amos 5: 6-7, 10-15 ♦ Psalm 90: 12-17 ♦ *Hebrews 4: 12-16 ♦ *Mark 10: 17-31

20th Oct Twenty-Second Sunday of Trinity

Isaiah 53: 4-12 ♦ Psalm 91: 9-16 ♦ *Hebrews 5: 1-10 ♦ *Mark 10: 35-45

27th Oct Twenty-Third Sunday of Trinity

Jeremiah 31: 7-9 ♦ Psalm 126 ♦ *Hebrews 7: 23-28 ♦ *Mark 10: 46-52

27th Oct Choral Evensong Twenty-Second Sunday after Trinity

*Ecclesiastes 12: 1-14 ♦ *Luke 18: 9-14 ♦ Psalm 119: 121-136

3rd Nov & Thur 7th Nov The Feast of All Saints *(transferred from 1st Nov)*

Isaiah 25: 6-9 ♦ Psalm 24: 1-6 ♦ *Revelation 21: 1-6a ♦ *John 11: 32-44

Liturgy Books

Large print Liturgy Books, and for those who find it easier to read on coloured paper, copies on yellow, pink, green and blue paper are available at the back of church.

Please let a Welcomer or Sheila know if you would like it to be printed in another specific colour, or as a colour large print.

Email: office@stpetersedinburgh.org

Dates for the Diary

Services

Sundays ♦ 9am ♦ Holy Communion ♦ Traditional language, usually with no music or sermon.

Sundays ♦ 10.45am ♦ Holy Communion ♦ Modern language, with choir & congregational singing.

Second Sunday of the month (usually) ♦ 6.30pm ♦ Process

Last Sunday of the Month (usually) ♦ 6.30pm ♦ Choral Evensong

1st Thursday of the month ♦ 11am ♦ Holy Communion ♦ Traditional language, usually with no music or sermon.

Regular Activities

Mondays & Thursdays ♦ 9.30am-11.30am ♦ Toddler Group (*term-time*)

Thursdays (in Church.):

6.15pm, Voice for Life ♦ 7pm-8pm, Junior Choir ♦ 7.45pm, Adult Choir

Last Monday of the month ♦ 7pm ♦ St Peter's Book Club

Events in September & October

Sun 29th Sept Harvest Festival ♦ 9am & 10.45am ♦ Congregational Lunch after the 10.45am service.

Sun 29th Sept Choral Evensong ♦ 6.30pm

Mon 30th Sept St Peter's Book Club ♦ 7pm

Thur 3rd Oct Monthly Communion ♦ 11am

Sat 12th Oct First Aid Course ♦ 9am-12 noon

Sun 13th Oct Process ♦ 6.30pm.

Mon 14th, Thur 17th, Mon 21st Oct No Toddler Group

Mon 14th Oct Monday Group ♦ 2.30pm-4pm

Wed 16th Oct Walking Group ♦ Time TBC

Thur 17th Oct November Magazine Deadline

Sat 19th Oct First Aid Course ♦ 9am-12 noon

Sun 20th Oct The Nicene Creed: Then and Now ♦ 2pm-4pm

Sun 27th Oct AGM ♦ c. 12.15, after 10.45am service

Sun 27th Oct Choral Evensong ♦ 6.30pm

Mon 28th Oct St Peter's Book Club ♦ 7pm

Clergy

Contact details for our Clergy are on page 23.

Rector Rev Nick Wills
(*days off Friday and Saturday.*)

Associate Clergy Rev Sue Whitehouse
 Bishop Donald Allister



Nick is very happy to spend time with members of St Peter's when you have concerns or are facing difficult situations. Please feel able to speak to me to arrange a time to talk. I would be happy to meet you at my home or yours, or in a coffee shop, or to go for a walk if you prefer. I also understand that sometimes you may feel it more appropriate to speak to either Sue or Donald, and I am grateful for their willingness to minister in this way.

If you, or someone you know, have not received Communion because you/they have been unable to come to Church, then members of our Clergy and Lay Pastoral Team would be happy to bring you Communion at home. Please let Nick, Sue or Donald know if you hear of a member of St Peter's who is ill.

The Office

There are currently no set office hours with Laura and Sheila working flexibly part-time, sometimes from home.

Laura Amongst several jobs, Laura covers finances, building maintenance and hall bookings. If you would like to book the hall please contact or email Laura: development@stpetersedinburgh.org

Sheila is the Church Administrator. She deals with anything concerning church matters and supporting the Clergy Team. She works 20 hours a week, usually working on Monday and Tuesday, and Thursday and Sunday mornings. Church emails are usually attended to on Mondays and Tuesdays: 10am-4pm, and Thursdays 10am-1pm. The rest of her hours are taken up with other tasks. Sheila's email: office@stpetersedinburgh.org

Keeping in Touch

Each Saturday evening the service information and notices are emailed out to congregational members. If you do not already receive these emails and wish to keep in touch, please email Sheila via the church office.

Contacts

Clergy and Staff

Rector Rev Nick Wills
Associate Clergy Rev Sue Whitehouse

Bishop Donald Allister

Children's & Young People's Worker Becky
becky@stpetersedinburgh.org

Hall Bookings / Development Laura
development@stpetersedinburgh.org

Administrator/Magazine Sheila office@stpetersedinburgh.org

Church Office Sheila or Laura 0131 563 8198

(Please note, messages left on the office answer machine may take a few days before they are heard and dealt with.)

Director of Music Rupert

Organist & Voice for Life Sheila

Church Officers

Vestry Secretary Janice

Treasurer Laura development@stpetersedinburgh.org

Lay Representative Roddy

Alternate Lay Representative Jan

Gift Aid Secretary Chris

Finance Convenor Ralph

Works Convenor Liz M

Sacristan Liz M

Fire Warden Pam

Church Organisations and Groups

Servers' Guild Bill

Monday Group Jane

Thursday Lunch Club (1st Thursday) Delia

A Lion of Judah: an Asiatic lion in Edinburgh Zoo



Now restricted to a small part of India and a few zoos, this cousin of the African lion used to inhabit much of the Middle East including the Holy Land.

Lions make several appearances in the Old Testament, including where Judah is told that he and his descendants are like a lion (Genesis 49: 8-12).

In the New Testament, Jesus (descended from Judah) is described as the Lion of the tribe of Judah.

Photograph taken and information given by Bishop Donald Allister.