

4th Sunday of Easter

Sunday 3 May 2020

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COLLECT

O God of peace,
who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ,
that great shepherd of the sheep,
by the blood of the eternal covenant,
make us perfect in every good work to do your will,
and work in us that which is well-pleasing in your sight;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING Acts 2.42-47

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.
Many were baptized and were added to the community. 42 They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. 43 Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. 44 All who believed were together and had all things in common; 45 they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. 46 Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, 47 praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

For the word of the Lord. **THANKS BE TO GOD**

PSALM Psalm 23

Response: The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.

1 The Lord is my shepherd;
I shall not be in want.
2 He makes me lie down in green pastures
and leads me beside still waters. **R**
3 He revives my soul
and guides me along right pathways for his name's sake.
4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I shall fear no evil; for you are with me;
your rod and your staff, they comfort me. **R**
5 You spread a table before me
in the presence of those who trouble me;
you have anointed my head with oil,
and my cup is running over.
6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever. **R**

SECOND READING 1 Peter 2.19-25

A reading from the first letter of Peter.
Brothers and sisters: 19 It is a credit to you if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly. 20 If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, what credit is that? But if you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval. 21 For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so

that you should follow in his steps. 22 'He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth.' 23 When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. 24 He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. 25 For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

For the word of the Lord **THANKS BE TO GOD**

GOSPEL John 10.1-10

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John
Glory to Christ our Saviour

Jesus said to the Pharisees:

1 'Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. 2 The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. 3 The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. 4 When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice.

5 They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers.' 6 Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them. 7 So again Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. 8 All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. 9 I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. 10 The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.'

Give thanks to the Lord for his glorious Gospel.

Praise to Christ our Lord.

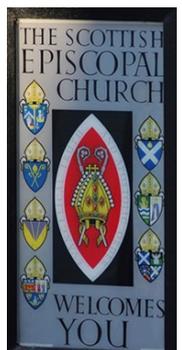
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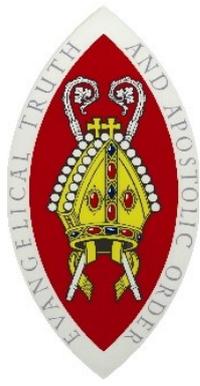
God of steadfast love, watch over the Church redeemed by the blood of your Son. May we who share in these holy mysteries come safely to your eternal kingdom, where there is one flock and one shepherd. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord. **Amen**

BLESSING

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the eternal covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God almighty, + the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen**

The notices for the week are on
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Worship today 3 May 4th Sunday of Easter

All SEC Church Services in our buildings
SUSPENDED

Our service is online at

www.SECStJohnStMargaret.org.uk

from 0945am



You can also follow the SEC LIVE streamed
Provincial Service at

www.scotland.anglican.org/broadcast-sunday-worship/

also worship from our

St Mary's Cathedral at www.thecathedral.org.uk

7pm Light a Candle and place it in your window

Monday 4—feria

Tuesday 5—feria

Wednesday 6—feria

7.30pm Zoom Cheese 'n Wine—bring a joke, a turn, a story to share with everyone. The link to the gathering is in Johns email. Please contact Reuben/John if you don't have it.

Thursday 7—feria

Friday 8—comm-Julian of Norwich c1417

Saturday 9—feria

Next Sunday—10 May **EASTER 5**

All SEC Church Services **SUSPENDED**

Please follow our **SEC online Sunday service**
on our website

Your Giving supporting our work and ministry

If you can change your giving to online or direct to the church bank accounts that would be appreciated, envelopes can be sent to Reuben at his house. As a reference put your name or envelope's number.

St Johns

Account Name: St Johns Scottish Episcopal Church - Johnstone

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You can also send via paypal www.paypal.me/reubenjamespreston

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Intercessions

The sick and in need we have promised to pray for: Liz Fairns, Elsbeth Carberry, Sandra Ferguson, Pauline Campbell, Alasdair Woods, Jenna McKernan, Audrey Callaghan, Scott Taylor, George Wilmshurst, Adam Semple, Margaret Kerrigan, May Burton, Joan Harrison, Isobel Reid, Gerald Mungavin, Adrian Bull, Norman Sproule, May Goldthorpe, Doreen Ward, Isobel Trail, Richard Tiplady

The Departed: none

Send the names of people who have asked to be remembered in our parish intercessions to the Rector

We pray for those who are fighting for their lives in hospital and at home

We pray for researchers seeking to develop a vaccine against COVID19

We pray for the 'homeless' in temp accommodation

We pray for families coping with children learning and working together
Please see the **new Weekly Intercessions leaflet** to use at home.

To download this week from

www.SECStJohnStMargaret.org.uk

This **Pewsheet**

The new **Weekly Intercessions leaflet**

The new **Reflection sheet**

Our Online services—a call for video shout-outs (30secs max), photos, messages to be read out and music requests from YouTube or online sources.

Finding Jesus with George Productions People have been sending me material on Friday for a Sunday service, sadly that is too late I need all material by Wednesday bedtime.

The weekly timetable is this:

Monday & Tuesday—plan and gather material, images, readers and intercessions, music, make Order of Service and Pewsheet draft.

Wednesday—film with Stephen & George and copy materials & begin the editing everything together

Thursday—Edit the material into 37 chunks and then render into one video over night (takes about 4-5hrs)

Friday—check and then re-edit and re-render as necessary and upload to YouTube over night and await copyright clearances

Saturday—prepare weblinks and website connections to the video and post on social media

Sunday—watch with everyone and start again!

Have you got some ideas to help make our services reach more people? Please tell Reuben and he can work on what can be done.....

Church Contacts

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