

COLLECT

Almighty God, your Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence. Give us pure hearts and constant wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.**FIRST READING** *Wisdom of Solomon 12.13, 16–19*

A reading from the book of Wisdom.

13 There is not any god besides you, Lord, whose care is for all people, to whom you should prove that you have not judged unjustly;

16 For your strength is the source of righteousness, and your sovereignty over all causes you to spare all. 17 For you show your strength when people doubt the completeness of your power, and you rebuke any insolence among those who know it. 18 Although you are sovereign in strength, you judge with mildness, and with great forbearance you govern us; for you have power to act whenever you choose. 19 Through such works you have taught your people that the righteous must be kind, and you have filled your children with good hope, because you give repentance for sins.

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

PSALM *Psalm 86.11–17*

Response: You, Lord, are gracious and full of compassion.

11 Teach me your way, O Lord, and I will walk in your truth; knit my heart to you that I may fear your name.

12 I will thank you, O Lord my God, with all my heart, and glorify your name for evermore.

13 For great is your love towards me;

you have delivered me from the nethermost Pit. **R**

14 The arrogant rise up against me, O God, and a violent band seeks my life;

they have not set you before their eyes.

15 But you, O Lord, are gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger and full of kindness and truth. **R**

16 Turn to me and have mercy upon me;

give your strength to your servant;

and save the child of your handmaid.

17 Show me a sign of your favour,

so that those who hate me may see it and be ashamed;

because you, O Lord, have helped me and comforted me. . **R**

SECOND READING *Romans 8.12-25*

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

Brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh – 13 for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. 14 For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God.

15 For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, ‘Abba! Father!’ 16 it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, 17 and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ – if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him. 18 I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. 19 For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; 20 for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope 21 that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. 22 We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; 23 and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for

adoption, the redemption of our bodies. 24 For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? 25 But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

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GOSPEL *Matthew 13.24–30, 36–43*

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

Glory to Christ our Saviour

Jesus put before the crowd another parable: ‘The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; 25 but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. 26 So when the plants came up and bore grain then the weeds appeared as well. 27 And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, “Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?” 28 He answered, “An enemy has done this.” The slaves said to him, “Then do you want us to go and gather them?” 29 But he replied, “No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. 30 Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.” 36 Then Jesus left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, ‘Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.’ 37 He answered, ‘The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; 38 the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, 39 and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. 40 Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. 41 The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, 42 and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. 43 Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!’

Give thanks to the Lord for his glorious Gospel.

Praise to Christ our Lord.

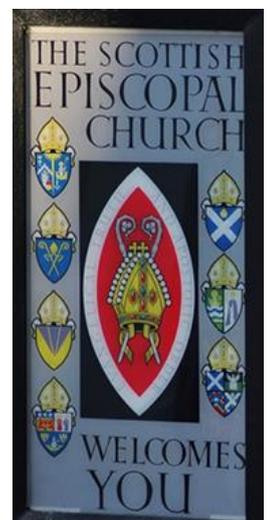
PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

O God, as we are strengthened in these holy mysteries, may our lives be a continual offering, holy and acceptable in your sight; through 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.**

The notices for the week are on the reverse of this sheet





The Joint Charges of St Johns Johnstone & St Margarets Renfrew

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Worship today 19 July Pentecost 7

we will follow the SEC LIVE streamed Provincial Service at www.scotland.anglican.org/broadcast-sunday-worship/
(or by telephone on 0800 260 5801 Sundays from 1045am for 11am start (30-40mins) & Thursdays from 615pm for 630pm service (20-30mins))

also worship from our St Mary's Cathedral at www.thecathedral.org.uk

7pm Light a Candle and place it in your window as we pray for the Nation

Monday 20 July—feria

Tuesday 21 July—comm-William Wilberforce 1833

Wednesday 22 July—Festival— St Mary Magdalene

7pm—8pm Zoom Q&A thinking about future church—what have we enjoyed about lockdown? What has been difficult? What have we learned? How will this shape our future? (Zoom room opens at 645pm)

Thursday 23 July—feria

Friday 24 July—feria

7pm St Margarets Zoom Vestry meeting about planning for reopening (please note time of 7pm start)

Saturday 25 July—Festival— St James the Apostle

Next Sunday—26 July Pentecost 8

Our service recorded in St Margarets will be online from 0945am.

at www.SECStJohnStMargaret.org.uk

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

Last chance for SHOUT-OUTS for the August/Sept Newsletter: if you have a message or article you would like to send to everyone please submit it by email to the Rector as he prepares the next copy this week.



Invite people to join in our services online—the whole catalogue of services is in the Archive on our website

To ask about arrangements for Weddings, Funerals, Baptisms/Christenings, Confessions, House Blessings etc.

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, George Wilmshurst, Adam Semple, Margaret Kerrigan, May Burton, Joan Harrison, Isobel Reid, Gerald Mungavin, Adrian Bull, Norman Sproule, May Goldthorpe, Isobel Trail, Robert Ferguson, Ellen Jones, Isabel Cummings, Hamish Cummings, Peter Wells, Christine....

The Departed: Janet Stevenson

We pray for Our Regional Vestries as they get ready for re-opening for worship in the coming weeks

We pray for researchers seeking to develop a vaccine against COVID19.

We pray for aid organizations trying to help overseas countries

Covid19 prayers in the Weekly Intercession leaflet

Weekly downloads from www.SECStJohnStMargaret.org.uk
Pewsheets & Intercessions & Reflection

Praying at home together

Live-streaming

Morning Prayer at 9am & Evening Prayer at 530pm

Monday to Friday each week.

The service words are found at

<https://www.scotland.anglican.org/spirituality/prayer/daily-offices/>

The live stream is at

<https://tinyurl.com/SECStJohnStMargaret>

Continue to send in your daily prayer requests to the Rector to hold before God in prayer at Morning and Evening Prayer



Nearly open—but not quite!
Please hold our vestries in your prayers as they work with the National Guidance and plan for the re-opening of our buildings. **Details planning is underway for the re-opening of our buildings for worship in the coming months.**



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