

Collect

O God, your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread. Open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in his redeeming work, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

FIRST READING Acts 3.12–19

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

Peter addressed the people, 'You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? 13 The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. 14 But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, 15 and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. 16 And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you. 17 And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. 18 In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. 19 Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out.'

For the word of the Lord. THANKS BE TO GOD

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 4

Response: Lift up the light of your countenance upon us, O Lord.

1 Answer me when I call, O God, defender of my cause; you set me free when I am hard-pressed; have mercy on me and hear my prayer.

2 'You mortals, how long will you dishonour my glory; how long will you worship dumb idols and run after false gods?' **R**

3 Know that the Lord does wonders for the faithful; when I call upon the Lord, he will hear me.

4 Tremble, then, and do not sin;

5 speak to your heart in silence upon your bed. **R**

6 Offer the appointed sacrifices and put your trust in the Lord.

7 Many are saying, 'O that we might see better times!' Lift up the light of your countenance upon us, O Lord. **R**

8 You have put gladness in my heart, more than when grain and wine and oil increase.

9 I lie down in peace; at once I fall asleep;

10 for only you, Lord, make me dwell in safety. **R**

SECOND READING 1 John 3.1–7

A reading from the first letter of John.

1 See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. 2 Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. 3 And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure. 4 Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. 5 You know that he was revealed to take

away sins, and in him there is no sin. 6 No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. 7 Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

For the word of the Lord THANKS BE TO GOD

Gospel Luke 24.36–48

*Hear the gospel our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke
Glory to Christ our Saviour*

While the eleven and their companions were talking about what they had heard, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you.' 37 They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. 38 He said to them, 'Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? 39 Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself.

Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.' 40 And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. 41 While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' 42 They gave him a piece of broiled fish, 43 and he took it and ate in their presence. 44 Then he said to them, 'These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you – that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.' 45 Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, 46 and he said to them, 'Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, 47 and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. 48 You are witnesses of these things.'

Give thanks to the Lord for his glorious gospel

Praise to Christ our Lord

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

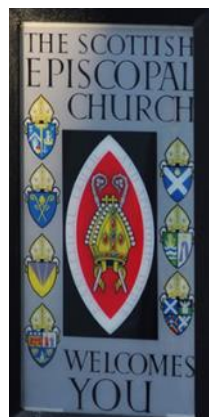
Author of life divine, in the breaking of bread we know the risen Lord. Feed us always in these mysteries, that we may show your glory to all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

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 the reverse of this sheet—take this pewsheet home to pass on to neighbours and friends.

This sheet is also on our website—let others know how to find it to follow week by week.





The Joint Charges of St Johns Johnstone & St Margarets Renfrew

The Scottish Episcopal Church United Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway
St John's Church, Floors Street, Johnstone PA5 8QS St Margaret's Church, Oxford Road, Renfrew PA4 0SJ

Physical Services are being recorded and put online for 4pm

we are online at www.SECStJohnStMargaret.org.uk

Facebook: [@stmargaretsrenfrew.org.uk](https://www.facebook.com/stmargaretsrenfrew.org.uk) [@StJohnsJohnstone](https://www.facebook.com/StJohnsJohnstone)

Twitter: [@JohnsJohnstone](https://twitter.com/JohnsJohnstone)

Zoom/Telephone is Tel: **01314601196** Meeting ID: **832 4184 0407**

Passcode: **076546** or use the link on the newsletter or website



Worship today 3rd Sunday of Easter

0945am Eucharist in **St Johns**—max 29 people


1130am Eucharist in **St Margarets**—max 25 people

6pm Evensong on Zoom/Telephone

Physical Church continues

0945 St Johns & 1130 St Margarets
the services will be recorded and put
online for 4pm on Sunday afternoon.



 **7pm Light a Candle** and place it in
your window as we pray for the Na-
tion using the prayer on the Interces-
sions leaflet each week

Monday 19 April-feria

Tuesday 20 April-comm-Maelrubha of Applecross, Abbot, 722

Wednesday 21 April-comm-Anselm of Canterbury, Bishop
and Teacher of the Faith, 1109

2pm Telephone Church

7pm Zoom/Telephone Holy Communion

Thursday 22 April-feria

Friday 23 April-comm-George, Patron of England, Martyr,
c.303

Saturday 24 April-feria

Next Sunday—**Easter 4**

0945am Eucharist in **St Johns**—max 29 people

1130am Eucharist in **St Margarets**—max 25 people

6pm Evensong on Zoom/Telephone

**Physical Church, Virtual Church
& Telephone Church.....**

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Collection for Lisa—Lisa leaves us as the SEI Ordinand at the
end of May. She will return as the Regional Curate at the end
of September. We are starting a collection to buy her stoles
for her ministry amongst us. Please give any donations to Reu-
ben. Thank you. Lisa's last Sunday as our SEI Ordinand is 31
May. She will then return to the Renfrewshire Region in Sep-
tember after her Ordination as a Deacon and we shall see
her during her 3year curacy as she is on placement with us.

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

Intercessions

The sick and in need we have promised to pray for: Liz Fairns, Els-
beth Carberry, Sandra Ferguson, Pauline Campbell, Alasdair
Woods, Jenna McKernan, Audrey Callaghan, Adam Semple, Mar-
garet Kerrigan, May Burton, Joan Harrison, Isobel Reid, Adrian
Bull, Isobel Trail, Ellen Jones, Isabel Cummings, Margaret Gibb,
Lisa in Oxford, Carol, Joanna, Barbara Clark, Charlotte, Moira
Bruce, Jean Souter, Graham Taylor, Mhairi, Laurie Henderson,
Stephen Hazlett

The Departed: none

We pray business owners who are looking to open up again soon
We pray for our international leaders as they seek to make the vaccine
available to all the countries of the world

Covid19 prayers in the Weekly Intercession leaflet

**As our Church buildings are closed you can find the
Weekly downloads from
www.SECStJohnStMargaret.org.uk
Pewsheet & Intercessions & Reflection**

Morning Prayer 9am & Evening Prayer 530pm
live online at

<http://tinyurl.com/SECStJohnStMargaret>

The Daily Offices of Morning Prayer and Evening Prayer are
for the entire Church. Would you like to lead Morning Prayer
or Evening Prayer from your aptop/computer? Let Reuben
know if you would like to have a go.

Bishop Kevin's Lent Appeal 2021

Please get your donations in
as soon as you can—either
to church or online using the
link—Please give to the
appeal through the link
[https://www.justgiving.com/
fundraising/diocese-of-glasgow-galloway](https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/diocese-of-glasgow-galloway)



"Young people growing up in Scotland's most deprived com-
munities are 3 times more likely to die before the age of 25.
We need your help."

*You can send cheques/cash to the Rector at home
and it will be passed on too.*

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**Items for inclusion should be sent to
Rector@SECStJohnStMargaret.org.uk
by 0900 on Wednesdays.**

Sponsorship: in prayer for all the Charges of our Diocese in vacancy at this time

If you would like to sponsor this sheet please send you £5 donation to the Rector along with details of the sponsorship (even if anonymous)