

**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 4.5-12**

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

The Jewish rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, 6 with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. 7 When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, 'By what power or by what name did you do this?' 8 Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, 'Rulers of the people and elders, 9 if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, 10 let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. 11 This Jesus is "the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone." 12 There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved.'

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

**Responsorial 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 John 3.16-24**

A reading from the first letter of John.

We know love by this, that the Son of God laid down his life for us – and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. 17 How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help? 18 Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. 19 And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him 20 whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything.

21 Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; 22 and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases God. 23 And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. 24 All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

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

**Gospel John 10.11-18**

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

Jesus said to the Pharisees:

11 'I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. 12 The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away – and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. 13 The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. 14 I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, 15 just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. 16 I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd.

17 For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. 18 No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father.'

*Give thanks to the Lord for his glorious gospel*

*Praise to Christ our Lord*

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

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.

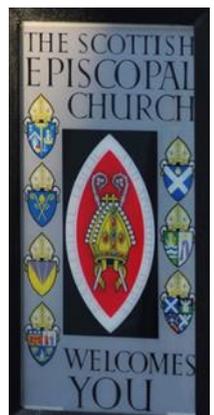
**Amen**

**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 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**

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

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## Worship today 4th Sunday of Easter

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

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

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 Nation using the prayer on the Intercessions leaflet each week

### Monday 26 April-Festival- **Mark, Evangelist**

(translated from 25 April)

### Tuesday 27 April-comm-Albert Ernest Laurie, Priest, 1937

(translated from 26 April)

### Wednesday 28 April-feria

#### **2pm Telephone Church**

#### **7pm Zoom/Telephone Holy Communion**

### Thursday 29 April-comm-Catherine of Siena, Mystic and Teacher of the Faith, 1380

### Friday 30 April-feria

### Saturday 1 May-Festival-**Philip and James, Apostles**

## Next Sunday—**Easter 5**

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 Reuben. Thank you. Lisa's last Sunday as our SEI Ordinand is 31 May. She will then return to the Renfrewshire Region in September 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

**Sponsorship: in prayer for our Vestry members as we look to the future work of our Charges**

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)

### Intercessions

**The sick and in need we have promised to pray for:** Liz Fairns, Elsbeth Carberry, Pauline Campbell, Alasdair Woods, Jenna McKernan, Audrey Callaghan, Adam Semple, Margaret 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, Laurie Henderson, Stephen Hazlett

#### **The Departed:** none

We pray for all involved in the banking systems as they support businesses and households in the coming months.

We pray for our international leaders as the vaccine is rolled out

**Covid19 prayers in the Weekly Intercession leaflet**

**As our Church buildings are closed you can find the**

**Weekly downloads from**

[www.SECStJohnStMargaret.org.uk](http://www.SECStJohnStMargaret.org.uk)

**Pewsheets & 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 laptop/computer? Let Reuben know if you would like to have a go.

### **Bishop Kevin's Lent Appeal 2021**

Thank you for your donations so far —Please give

to the appeal through the link

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/diocese-of-glasgow-galloway>

"Young people growing up in Scotland's most deprived communities 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.*

**Thank you for your generosity**

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