

**Collect**

Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you riches beyond imagination. Pour into our hearts such love towards you that we, loving you above all things, may obtain your promises which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

**FIRST READING Acts 10.44-48**

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

While Peter was speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. 45 The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, 46 for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, 47 'Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?' 48 So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

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

**Responsorial Psalm Psalm 98**

**Response: The Lord has made known his victory in the sight of the nations.**

1 Sing to the Lord a new song,  
for he has done marvellous things.  
2 With his right hand and his holy arm  
has he won for himself the victory. **R**  
3 The Lord has made known his victory;  
his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.  
4 He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel,  
and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God. **R**  
5 Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands;  
lift up your voice, rejoice and sing.  
6 Sing to the Lord with the harp, with the harp and the voice of song.  
7 With trumpets and the sound of the horn  
shout with joy before the King, the Lord. **R**  
8 Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it,  
the lands and those who dwell therein.  
9 Let the rivers clap their hands,  
and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord,  
when he comes to judge the earth.  
10 In righteousness shall he judge the world,  
and the peoples with equity. **R**

**SECOND READING 1 John 5.1-6**

A reading from the first letter of John.

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. 2 By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. 3 For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, 4 for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. 5 Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? 6 This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

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

**Gospel John 15.9-17**

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

Jesus said to his disciples:

9 'As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you;  
abide in my love.

10 If you keep my commandments,  
you will abide in my love,  
just as I have kept my Father's commandments  
and abide in his love.

11 I have said these things to you  
so that my joy may be in you,  
and that your joy may be complete.

12 This is my commandment,  
that you love one another as I have loved you.

13 No one has greater love than this,  
to lay down one's life for one's friends.

14 You are my friends if you do what I command you.

15 I do not call you servants any longer,  
because the servant does not know what the master is doing;  
but I have called you friends,  
because I have made known to you everything  
that I have heard from my Father.

16 You did not choose me but I chose you.

And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last,  
so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name.

17 I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.'

*Give thanks to the Lord for his glorious gospel*

*Praise to Christ our Lord*

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Father, you restored us to life by raising your Son from death. May we who receive this sacrament always be strengthened to do your will, in the name of Jesus Christ the risen Lord. **Amen**

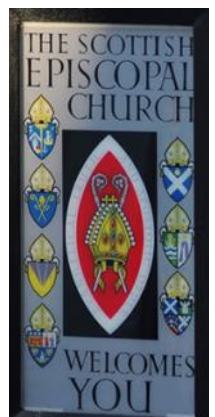
**BLESSING**

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 6th Sunday of Easter

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

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

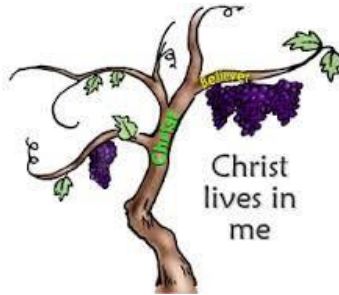
6pm Evensong on Zoom/Telephone

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 10 May**-comm- Athanasius, Bishop and Teacher of the Faith, 373 (translated from 2 May)

**Tuesday 11 May**-feria

**Wednesday 12 May**-comm- Thomas Rattray, Bishop, 1743

**2pm Telephone Church**

**7pm Zoom/Telephone Evening Service**

**Thursday 13 May**-Festival— **Ascension Day**

**Friday 14 May**-Festival—**Matthias, Apostle**

**Saturday 15 May**-feria

Next Sunday—**Ascensiontide**

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



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### 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, Paula Burrett, Janet McMillan

**The Departed:** none

We pray for those who were elected to public office this week  
We pray for our international leaders as they support nations in crisis across the globe.

**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 ONLY on Monday and Friday this week**  
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, we are trying to produce a fool-proof instruction sheet!

**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.

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**Sponsorship: in prayer for our world leaders as they continue to tackle the covid pandemic**

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)