

Pentecost 16

SEC week of Pr 24 RCL Pr 19 YrB Season of Creation

Sunday 12 September 2021

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Collect

Almighty God, you call your Church to witness that in Christ we are reconciled to you. Help us so to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may turn to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen

FIRST READING Proverbs 1.20–33

A reading from the book of Proverbs.

Wisdom cries out in the street; in the squares she raises her voice.

21 At the busiest corner she cries out; at the entrance of the city gates she speaks: 22 'How long, O simple ones, will you love being simple? How long will scoffers delight in their scoffing and fools hate knowledge? 23 Give heed to my reproof; I will pour out my thoughts to you; I will make my words known to you. 24 Because I have called and you refused, have stretched out my hand and no one heeded, 25 and because you have ignored all my counsel and would have none of my reproof, 26 I also will laugh at your calamity; I will mock when panic strikes you, 27 when panic strikes you like a storm, and your calamity comes like a whirlwind, when distress and anguish come upon you. 28 Then they will call upon me, but I will not answer; they will seek me diligently, but will not find me. 29 Because they hated knowledge and did not choose the fear of the LORD, 30 would have none of my counsel, and despised all my reproof, 31 therefore they shall eat the fruit of their way and be sated with their own devices. 32 For waywardness kills the simple, and the complacency of fools destroys them; 33 but those who listen to me will be secure and will live at ease, without dread of disaster.'

For the word of the Lord. THANKS BE TO GOD

Alternative FIRST READING Isaiah 50.4–9a

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

The servant of the Lord said: 4 The Lord GOD has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he awakens – awakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. 5 The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward. 6 I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. 7 The Lord GOD helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; 8 he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. 9 It is the Lord GOD who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

SECOND READING James 3.1–12

A reading from the letter of James.

1 Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. 2 For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. 3 If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. 4 Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. 5 So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits. How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! 6 And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our

members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell.

7 For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, 8 but no one can tame the tongue – a restless evil, full of deadly poison. 9 With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. 10 From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. 11 Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? 12 Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

For the word of the Lord THANKS BE TO GOD

Gospel Mark 8.27–38

Hear the gospel our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark
Glory to Christ our Saviour

27 Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that I am?' 28 And they answered him, 'John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.' 29 Jesus asked them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Peter answered him, 'You are the Messiah.' 30 And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him. 31 Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. 32 He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. 33 But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, 'Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.' 34 He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. 35 For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. 36 For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? 37 Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? 38 Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.'

Give thanks to the Lord for his glorious gospel

Praise to Christ our Lord

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God, the source of all that is, with joy we have offered thanksgiving for your love in creation and have shared in the bread and the wine of the kingdom: by your grace plant within us a reverence for all that you give us and make us generous and wise stewards of the good things we enjoy. Amen

BLESSING

God give you grace to be faithful stewards of Creation, rejoicing that you are made in God's image, and seeking justice for those who do not share in the earth's bounty, and the blessing of God almighty, + the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. Amen





The Joint Charges of St Johns Johnstone & St Margarets Renfrew

The Scottish Episcopal Church United Diocese of Glasgow and Galloway
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Worship today Pentecost 16

0945am Sung Eucharist [St Johns](#)

1130am Sung Eucharist [St Margarets](#)

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 13 September-comm-Cyprian of Carthage, Bishop and Martyr, 258

245pm St Johns Funeral of late Una Whitehead

Tuesday 14 September-festival-Holy Cross Day

Wednesday 15 September-feria

no Telephone or zoom today

2pm Holy Communion at St Johns—Rev Robert Chambers

7pm RS Holy Communion at St Margarets—LWL John M

Thursday 16 September-comm-Ninian of Whithorn, Bp, 432

1pm St Johns Funeral of late , Margaret Kerrigan

Friday 17 September-comm-Hildegard of Bingen, Abbess, 1179

Saturday 18 September-feria

Next Sunday—**Pentecost 17**

0945am RS Holy Communion [St Johns](#)—LWL Gill Reynolds

1130am RS Holy Communion [St Margarets](#)—LWL Pat Watson

Pastoral Need

The Rector is on leave 13-25 Sept.

If you are in pastoral need please contact

St Johns Wilma 07714 525726

& St Margarets John 07798 662711

or Rev Robert Chambers 07968 279351

they will be able to assist you or put you in touch with a priest who can help you.



The September Newsletter is in Church—please take copies for people you know cannot come to get one.

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, Elsbeth Carberry, Pauline Campbell, Alasdair Woods, Jenna McKernan, Audrey Callaghan, Adam Semple, May Burton, Joan Harrison, Isobel Reid, Adrian Bull, Isobel Trail, Ellen Jones, Isabel Cummings, Lisa in Oxford, Carol, Joanna, Barbara Clark, Moira Bruce, Jean Souter, Neil Barclay, Paul Bothwell, Veronica Whitelock, Daniel Preston, David Preston, Martin Santon, Laurence Mechen

The Departed: Una Whitehead, Margaret Kerrigan

We pray for people coping with the natural disasters of the year gone by
We pray for good Priests to come and apply for vacancies in the Diocese

Covid19 prayers in the Weekly Intercession leaflet



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www.SECStJohnStMargaret.org.uk

The Daily Offices can be followed on the provincial website at <https://www.scotland.anglican.org/spirituality/prayer/daily-offices/>

Harvest support

St Johns raised £410 to be split equally between: Samaritans, St Vincent's Hospice & Prostate Cancer Support. Well done Olive for making this happen, and thank you for supporting this endeavour.

St Margarets raised £95 to support Tearfund thank you to those who made the Frugal Lunch a time of friendship and support.



Dates for the Diary

AGM St Johns

Sun 7 November

AGM St Margarets Sun 14 November
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